
Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 17, 2024

10:00 AM

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

CHIMING THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF APPROACH

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP (From Psalm 107)

Matt McGivney, Liturgist

One: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;

All: according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

One: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.

All: Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me.

One: Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit.

All: Guide us all with your Holy light as we worship you today!

*HYMN #326 "Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart"

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it. Let us return to God the offerings of our life and the gifts of the earth. Let us offer them with joy in our hearts and a deep sense of gratitude.

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY HYMN #592

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (UNISON)

**You have shown us, O God, the sacrifice that you desire.
Now use these gifts—and use our lives—
to liberate the oppressed, to break the bonds of injustice,
to feed the hungry, welcome the poor, and unite the human family;
all in the name and for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*HYMN #525 "Here I Am, Lord"

*CHARGE

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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*For those who are able, please stand.

First Presbyterian Church Baldwinsville, NY

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- **Today's Ushers:** Shane & Tricia Adams
- **Coffee Hour:** today is hosted by Martha Stevens
- **The flowers:** in the Sanctuary today are provided by Kate Collins.
- **Choir Practice:** will be held at 9:15 each Sunday before Worship.
- **Four Week Lenten Bible Study:** is held on Mondays at 3:00 in the Media Center.
- **The Next Community Dinner:** is March 21, 4:00 – 5:15. Sit-down dinner with Take-out available. Corned Beef, cabbage, red-skinned potatoes, carrots, pumpernickel bread and cake with green frosting.
- **Fish Sandwich Luncheon:** will be held on Palm Sunday, March 24, following worship, provided by the Congregational Life Committee.
- **Maundy Thursday:** 7 p.m. worship
- **Good Friday:** the Sanctuary will be open from Noon – 2 p.m. for Prayerful Meditation
- **Easter Sunday:** worship at 10 a.m. and childcare will be provided.

Remember in Your Prayers & Correspondence

Karen Chamis; Carol Hovey; Howard Rose;
Nancy Runyans; Sandy Smith; Anthonia Todd

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Identity Statement

We are a loving family of God, following Christ by practicing our legacy of worship, education, and mission to neighbors.

WE HEAR AND REFLECT ON GOD'S WORD

CALL TO CONFESSION

Nothing can be hidden from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth, whose wisdom is endless, whose mercy is great. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

Gracious God, your love knows no boundaries - yet we crowd our lives with so much activity that we hardly notice. We become so focused on ourselves that we overlook those around us who are searching for hope. We attempt to fill our spiritual emptiness with human endeavors, rather than feasting on your Word. God of abundant mercy, forgive us. Open our hearts, that we may delight in your new covenant written upon them. Guide us, so that we may join you in serving the broken of the world. Increase our love, so we may pour it out as abundantly and graciously as your love is shown to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and our Redeemer. Amen.

One: Now that we have confessed as a body, let us take the truths that have troubled our hearts to God silently. Let us not be worried about the awkwardness of silence, as we take some time to focus on speaking with our God.

SILENT REFLECTION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: Gloria Patri #579

*PASSING OF THE PEACE:

One: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

One: Let us share signs of peace with one another.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Jeremiah 31:31-34 *Liturgist*
red Bible p.961, black Bible p.735

MUSICAL OFFERING

EPISTLE READING Psalm 119:9-16 **Rev. Kirsty Dickson-Maret**
red Bible p. 759, black Bible p. 566

GOSPEL LESSON Hebrews 5:5-10 **Rev. Kirsty Dickson-Maret**
red Bible p. 1458, black Bible p. 220

SERMON "Save Me From This Hour?" **Rev. Kirsty Dickson-Maret**

INSTALLATION/ORDINATION OF NEW OFFICERS

WE OFFER OUR LIVES TO GOD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*HYMN #2130 "The Summons" (Will You Come and Follow Me)