



Community Presbyterian Church

First Sunday of Lent
26 February 2023

GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Blessings

*Call to Worship

(One) Almighty God, you opened the way of eternal life to every race and nation by the promised gift of your Spirit.

(All) Let us spread this gift throughout the world by our love for one another. That it may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(One) We are called to this time and place to bear witness to the saving death of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

(All) Let us worship the living God, that all might know us by our love for the Lord seen in our love for others.

(One) The God, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever. Amen.

Opening Prayer

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 32

(One) Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

(All) Happy are those to whom the LORD imputes no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

(One) While I kept silence, my body wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.

(All) Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the guilt of my sin.

(One) Therefore let all who are faithful offer prayer to you; at a time of distress, the rush of mighty waters shall not reach them.

(All) You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with glad cries of deliverance.

(One) I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you.

(All) Do not be like a horse or a mule, without understanding, whose temper must be curbed with bit and bridle, else it will not stay near you.

(One) Many are the torments of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the LORD. Be glad in the LORD and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart.

***Hymn (426)**

Blessed Assurance

(1) Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain:

This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long;
this is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.

(2) Perfect submission, perfect delight,
visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
angels descending, bring from above
echoes of mercy, whispers of love. [Refrain]

(3) Perfect submission, all is at rest,
I in my Savior am happy and blest,
watching and waiting, looking above,
filled with his goodness, lost in his love. [Refrain]

Prayer of Confession

(All) Have mercy upon us, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercies, blot out our transgressions. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquity, and cleanse us from our sin. For we know our transgressions, and our sin is ever before us. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within us. Cast us not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation, and uphold us with a willing spirit. Amen.

Silence

Response

Hear Our Prayer O'Lord

*Hear our prayer, O Lord, hear our prayer, O Lord;
incline thine ear to us, and grant us thy peace. Amen.*

Assurance of Pardon

PROCLAMATION

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

New Testament Reading

Romans 5:12-19

Gospel Reading

Matthew 4:1-11

Sermon

***Hymn (72)**

Great is Thy Faithfulness

(1) Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not;
as thou has been thou forever wilt be.

Refrain:

Great is thy faithfulness!
Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided--
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

(2) Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy and love. [Refrain]

(3) Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide;

strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! [Refrain]

RESPONSE

***Affirmation of Faith** *The Apostles Creed*
I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. **I believe** in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he will come to judge the living and the dead. **I believe** in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

Offertory *Care Chorus*

***Doxology & Prayer of Dedication**

Passing of the Peace

Prayers of the People
The Lord's Prayer (sins/trespases)

SENDING

Charge
Benediction
Postlude

Blessings

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Intergenerational Study of the Bible for Youth

The Intergenerational Study of the Bible is cancelled for this **Sunday, February, 26th.**

Games Up Here

We're playing games in the Annex, this **Monday night, February, 27th from 7:00pm to 9:00pm.**

Lenten Midday Prayers

Looking for a Lenten practice centered on prayer and contemplation? Join us for **Taizé prayers every Wednesday during Lent at noon** in the CPC sanctuary.

Cost of Discipleship Lenten Reading Group

The Cost of Discipleship reading group begins this **Wednesday, March 1st.** We'll meet in-person in Darley Hall and Zoom **from 5:00-6:30pm MST.** Check your weekly email for the reading schedule.

Men's Prayer Breakfast

Men's Prayer Breakfast is happening this week on **Thursday, March 2nd at 7:00am.**

Looking Ahead

Next **Sunday, March 5th** Grace Christian Fellowship will join us in worship as we welcome home the AICM mission trip team. We'll also be celebrating communion together and having a joint-potluck in our theme for March–St. Patrick's Day. Let's cook up some proper Irish fare to share as we hear stories from the mission team.

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Organist/Pianist: Celeste Scott
Guest Pianist: Silas Santos

SCRIPTURES

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

2:15 The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it.

2:16 And the LORD God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden;

2:17 but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

3:1 Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden'?"

3:2 The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden;

3:3 but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'"

3:4 But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die;

3:5 for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

3:6 So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate.

3:7 Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

Romans 5:12-19

5:12 Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned-

5:13 sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law.

5:14 Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.

5:15 But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many.

5:16 And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification.

5:17 If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

5:18 Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all.

5:19 For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

Matthew 4:1-11

4:1 Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil.

4:2 He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished.

4:3 The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread."

4:4 But he answered, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

4:5 Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple,

4:6 saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'"

4:7 Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

4:8 Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor;

4:9 and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me."

4:10 Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'"

4:11 Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

Terms-to-Know

posse peccare (able to sin)

posse non peccare (able not to sin)

non posse non peccare (not able not to sin)

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