

# Community Presbyterian Church

Third Sunday of Lent 3 March 2024

# **GATHERING**

**Welcome and Announcements** 

**Prelude** 

Jesus Keep Me Near The Cross

### \*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) Let us worship 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 19

(One) The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

(All) Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge.

(One) There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard; yet their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world.

(All) In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun, which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy, and like a strong man runs its course with joy. (One) Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them; and nothing is hid from its heat.

(All) The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul; the decrees of the LORD are sure, making wise the simple.

(One) The precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the LORD is clear, enlightening the eyes; the fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever.

# (All) The ordinances of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

(One) More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb.

# (All) Moreover by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

(One) But who can detect their errors? Clear me from hidden faults.

(All) Keep back your servant also from the insolent; do not let them have dominion over me. Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression.

(One) Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

Hymn (598) Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken (1) Glorious things of thee are spoken, Zion, city of our God; he whose Word cannot be broken formed you for his own abode. On the Rock of Ages founded, what can shake your sure repose? With salvation's walls surrounded, you may smile at all your foes.

- (2) See, the streams of living waters, springing from eternal love, well supply your sons and daughters and all fear of want remove.
  Who can faint while such a river ever will their thirst assuage?
  Grace, which like the Lord, the giver, never fails from age to age.
- (3) Round each habitation hovering, see the cloud and fire appear, for a glory and a covering,

showing that the Lord is near!
Thus deriving from their banner light by night and shade by day, safe they feed upon the manna which God gives them on their way.

(4) Savior, since of Zion's city
I through grace a member am,
let the world deride or pity,
I will glory in your name.
Fading are the world's best pleasures,
all its bloated pomp and show;
solid joys and lasting treasures
none but Zion's children know.

# Prayer of Confession

Jesus, Remember Me

Jesus, remember me, when you come into your Kingdom Jesus, remember me, when you come into your Kingdom

#### **Silence**

#### **Assurance of Pardon**

# **PROCLAMATION**

Old Testament Reading New Testament Reading Gospel Reading Exodus 20:1-17 1 Corinthians 1:18-25 John 2:13-22

#### Sermon

\*Hymn (96) O' For A Thousand Tongues to Sing (1) O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!

- (2) My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, to spread thro' all the earth abroad the honors of your name.
- (3) Jesus! the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease, 'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.
- (4) He breaks the power of cancelled sin, he sets the prisoner free; his blood can make the foulest clean, his blood availed for me.
- (5) To God all glory, praise, and love be now and ever given by saints below and saints above, the Church in earth and heaven.

# **RESPONSE**

# **Prayer of Invitation**

Eat This Bread

Eat this bread, Drink this cup.
Come to him and never be hungry.
Eat this bread, Drink this cup.
Trust in him and you will not thirst.

**Words of Institution** 

Communion

Bread of Life

**Prayer of Thanksgiving** 

#### \*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

Saviour Like A Shepherd Lead Us

\*Doxology & Prayer of Dedication

**Passing of the Peace** 

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

# **SENDING**

Charge Benediction Postlude

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# **SCRIPTURES**

#### Exodus 20:1-17

20:1 Then God spoke all these words:

20:2 I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery;

20:3 you shall have no other gods before me.

20:4 You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.

20:5 You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me,

20:6 but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

20:7 You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

20:8 Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy.

20:9 Six days you shall labor and do all your work.

20:10 But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work--you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns.

20:11 For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day;

therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

20:12 Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

20:13 You shall not murder.

20:14 You shall not commit adultery.

20:15 You shall not steal.

20:16 You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

20:17 You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

#### **1 Corinthians 1:18-25**

1:18 For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

1:19 For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart."

1:20 Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world?

1:21 For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe.

1:22 For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom,

- 1:23 but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles,
- 1:24 but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.
- 1:25 For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

#### John 2:13-22

- 2:13 The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.
- 2:14 In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables.
- 2:15 Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables.
- 2:16 He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!"
- 2:17 His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me."
- 2:18 The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?"
- 2:19 Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up."

- 2:20 The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?"
- 2:21 But he was speaking of the temple of his body.
- 2:22 After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.