



Community Presbyterian Church

Second Sunday of Lent
1 March 2026

GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

*Call to Worship

Let All Who Are Thirsty Come

Let all who are thirsty come,
Let all who wish receive the water of life freely,
Amen, come Lord Jesus,
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Opening Prayer

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 121

(One) I lift up my eyes to the hills-- from where will my help come?

(All) My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

(One) He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.

(All) He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

(One) The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your shade at your right hand.

(All) The sun shall not strike you by day nor the moon by night.

(One) The LORD will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.

(All) The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and forevermore.

*Hymn (422)

Amazing Grace

(1) Amazing grace! how sweet the sound
that saved a wretch like me!

I once was lost, but now am found,
was blind but now I see.

(2) 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!

(3) The Lord has promised good to me,
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.

(4) Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come;
'tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

(5) When we've been there ten thousand years,
bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we'd first begun.

Prayer of Confession

(All) Christ Jesus, forgive our sins. Forgive the sins that we remember, and the sins we have forgotten. Forgive our many failures in the face of temptation, and those times when we have been stubborn in the face of correction. Forgive the times we have been proud of our own achievements and those when we have failed to boast in Your works. Forgive the harsh judgments we have made of others, and the leniency we have shown ourselves. Forgive the lies we have told to others, and the truths we have avoided. Forgive us the pain we have caused others and the indulgence we have shown ourselves. Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on us, we are sinners. Amen.

Silence

Assurance of Pardon

PROCLAMATION

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 12:1-4a

New Testament Reading

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

Gospel Reading

John 3:1-1

Sermon

***Hymn (261)**

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

(1) When I survey the wondrous cross
on which the Prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss,
and pour contempt on all my pride.

(2) Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
save in the death of Christ, my God;
all the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.

(3) See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
sorrow and love flow mingled down.
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown?

(4) Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were an offering far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all.

RESPONSE

Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution

Communion

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.

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

*Doxology & Prayer of Dedication

Passing of the Peace

Prayers of the People

(One) In Your mercy ...

(All) ... Hear our prayers.

The Lord's Prayer (sins/trespass)

SENDING

Charge

Benediction

Postlude

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SCRIPTURES

Genesis 12:1-4a

Now the LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you.

12:2

I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing.

12:3

I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

12:4a

So Abram went, as the LORD had told him, and Lot went with him.

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

The promise to those of Abraham's faith

4:1

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh?

4:2

For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God.

4:3

For what does the scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness."

4:4

Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due.

4:5

But to one who does not work but trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

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For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith.

4:14

For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void.

4:15

For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law, neither is there transgression.

4:16

For this reason the promise depends on faith, in order that it may rest on grace, so that it may be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (who is the father of all of us,

4:17

as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations"), in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

John 3:1-17

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews.

3:2

He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with that person."

3:3

Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above."

3:4

Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?"

3:5

Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit.

3:6

What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit.

3:7

Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.'

3:8

The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit."

3:9

Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?"

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Jesus answered him, "Are you the teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?"

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"Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen, yet you do not receive our testimony.

3:12

If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things?"

3:13

No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man.

3:14

And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up,

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that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

3:16

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

3:17

"Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world but in order that the world might be saved through him.