

**The Service for the Lord's Day  
with the Sacrament of Holy Communion**



**April 3, 2022**

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Fifth Sunday in Lent

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*Please silence all devices*

## **WE GATHER TO WORSHIP**

*For young children, the Prayground in the back of the sanctuary is open and our nursery is also available for those who prefer childcare for infants and toddlers. Sunday school classes are available for kids in Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade during the 10:30am service, after the Time with Children.*

### **I. GATHERING AROUND THE WORD**

#### **PRELUDE**

“Partita on Jesus, Priceless Treasure”

Johann Gottfried Walther  
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#### **CALL TO WORSHIP<sup>1</sup>**

One: As we near the end of our Lenten journey, in today’s scripture, Jesus tries to prepare his beloved companions for his death. We struggle to conceive of death and most of us want our lives to be strong and long. We all know that isn’t always how the story goes. We are fragile. Our lives, like the plants in the gardens we tend, are part of a life-cycle. Somehow, there is strength in letting go in order to live.

#### **RESPONSE**

“Enough”

9 When we are weak, \_ when we are wear-y, when we are bro-ken, God's grace is e - nough.

17 When there are sha-dows, when there is day-light, when there are fears, \_Christ's love is e - nough.

When we're thri-ving, when we are stri-ving, when we are seek-ing, God's spi-rit is e - nough.

Text: Emma Nickel, 2022; Music: Joseph Jackson, 2022

#### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

*based on Psalm 126*

**All: Holy One, Lover of Souls, we call out to you. You know our tears and sorrows, and you bear the seeds of grief with us. Open us this day to your comfort that nurtures these seeds into sheaves of joy: the simple and good enough moments that fill our days. Amen.**

#### **\*HYMN #123**

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

Text: Gesangbuch, Münster, 1677; Music: Schlesische Volkslieder, 184

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*During announcements, please record your attendance in the pew-rack Friendship pad, and pass it to others seated in your pew. Visitors are invited to share contact info so we may offer a more personal welcome.*

## MINUTE FOR MISSION

Creation Care

### RESPONSE:

“This is My Father’s World”

***“This is my Father’s world, and to my listening ears all nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres. This is my Father’s world: I rest me in the thought of rocks and trees, of skies and seas, his hand the wonders wrought.”***

## TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

### CALL TO CONFESSION and KYRIE ELEISON

One: Confession reminds us that we are vulnerable and we are human. We are not always ready to acknowledge these facts. Yet in these moments, God meets us and offers us grace. Lord, have mercy upon us.

**People: Christ, have mercy upon us.**

**All: Lord, have mercy upon us.**

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION<sup>1</sup>

**All: Gracious God, forgive us for thinking that beauty is wasteful. From the beginning, you created beauty and wonder in this world. Help us to notice the beauty you have made in the world around us and in the people around us who come in so many colors, shapes, and personalities. Forgive us when we dismiss other children of God as not worthy of our energy. Help us to create beauty in the world around us through our actions and our words. Forgive us when we create hurt instead of glorifying you.**

*[silence for individual prayer]*

One: Through Christ, we pray,

**All: Amen.**

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: God meets us in our joy and our sorrow, because God has known the height and depth of both of them. God offers us beauty, healing, and wholeness so that we might inhabit our lives as fully as Jesus did.

**All: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Glory to God! Amen.**

## \*GLORIA PATRI

Hymn #734

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

## \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: As forgiven people, let's share signs of reconciliation. May the peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

*Share a no-contact sign of peace and reconciliation with your neighbors, such as a hand over your heart. Those at home are invited to text a message of peace to a friend or type a greeting of peace in the comments of the platform on which you are watching worship.*

## II. PROCLAIMING THE WORD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**All: Gracious God, we are always asking what is enough. Open us to your word and help us to encounter in it: enough love, enough gratitude, enough challenge to sustain us in faith. This we pray by the power of your Spirit. Amen.**

### PSALM

"Psalm 126"

Sung to the Hymn-tune *In Babilone*, #128 "Spirit, Working in Creation"

***"When the lord brought home our treasure, all delights were like a dream;  
In defeat, a shout of vict'ry; in the sand a flowing stream.  
Mouths that once were parched with anguish now with shouts of joy are filled;  
Laughter now displaces sadness for the goodness God has willed."***

Paraphrase of Psalm 126 ©1999 Michael Morgan; Psalter for Christian Worship; Witherspoon Press

### SCRIPTURE READING

John 12:1-8

*Pew Bible, NT pg. 109*

One: The Word of God for the People of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### ANTHEM

"My Eyes for Beauty Pine"

*Herbert Howells*

*~Chancel Choir*

*"My eyes for beauty pine, my soul for Goddës grace, no other care nor hope is mine, to heaven I turn my face. One splendoe thence is shed from all the stars above: 'Tis named when God's name is said, 'Tis Love, 'Tis heavenly Love. And every gentle heart that burns with true desire, is lit from eyes that mirror part of that celestial fire."*

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### SERMON

"Feast Extravagantly"

*Rev. Jasmine Smart*

### III. RESPONDING TO THE WORD

#### INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

##### OFFERTORY

“How Beautiful are the Feet of Them”

G.F. Handel

~Olivia Donnel

*“How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings, glad tidings of good things.”*

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##### \*DOXOLOGY

Hymn #34

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

##### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

#### SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

#### INVITATION

#### GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING and THE LORD’S PRAYER

One: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

One: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them to the Lord.**

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

One: It is right, and a good and joyful thing...together we proclaim the praise-filled truth of your glory along with all the saints:

#### Holy, Holy, Holy Lord



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,

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heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na



in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the



name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

One: Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ...We remember. We offer ourselves.  
We proclaim God's commitment to redeeming love:

**All: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again!**

One: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here...We say together the prayer of Christ:

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

#### **COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE**

*The bread and cup are offered in a basket at the entrance to the service for each worshipper to bring with them to their seat. When invited by the pastor, please open the top film of packaging to eat the bread; then open the second film for the cup. We enjoy the meal together as a sign of our unity in Christ. A gluten free option is available. Please place trash in the bins are located near the exits or in the narthex.*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**All: Holy God, this meal is enough for us. In it, we have feasted on your grace. At this table, we have been united with our family of faith, and even with our enemies. Send us out as people transformed by communion with you, our holy and loving Triune God. Amen.**

## IV. FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

### \*HYMN #585

“A Prophet-Woman Broke a Jar”

Text: Brian Wren (1936-) © 1993 Hope Publishing Co.; Music: Walter Stanton (1891-1978) © 1951 Oxford University Press

### \*BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE:

“Fantasia in c minor”

*J.S. Bach*  
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*\*Indicates please stand as you are able.*

1 Portions of today's liturgy are adapted and drawn from worship resources from Marcia McFee and the Worship Design Studio, 2022.

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Today we welcome the Rev. Jasmine Smart to our pulpit. Jasmine is originally from the metro area of Portland, Oregon. She attended Calvin University in Grand Rapids, MI followed by Princeton Theological Seminary in NJ where she received her Master of Divinity. Her husband Jonathan was born and raised in the Detroit area, and they settled here in summer 2016. She was ordained at Kirk in the Hills Presbyterian Church in 2017 and currently serves them as a Parish Associate. She also works as a Spiritual Care Provider at PACE (Program of All Inclusive Care for the Elderly) of SE Michigan. She has served the churches of First Presbyterian Troy, Fort Street Presbyterian, and Community Presbyterian in Waterford. She has a dog named Sandie and a one year old niece named Kayleigh.

**A Special Meeting of the Congregation** has been called for **Sunday, April 10, 2022, immediately following the 10:30 service in Kirkman Fellowship Hall** for the purpose of authorizing the listing for sale of the Hendrie Blvd. parking lot (more formally described as part of Lot 70 Hendrie Boulevard Subdivision). The meeting will be held briefly, in conjunction with the Coffee Hour Fellowship

The **CHANCEL FLOWERS** are given by Louise & Jim Gotch who are celebrating 52 years of marriage.

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Stop by the **Earth Care table in the CE Lobby** as you leave worship today. You'll have a chance to sign a personal postcard pledging to protect all of Creation. Make sure to pick up a calendar for the month of April filled with "Tread Lightly" ideas from our Presbyterian Mission. The Christian Education Committee hopes to see you each week during the month of April while we celebrate and share ideas about Caring for the Earth.

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### **Lenten Reflection Services**

This Lent, Joseph Jackson is again offering short vespers services to hear scripture and poetry, to offer up prayer, and sit in silent meditation. This year's services will be **online-only** and are now available on the church website. The final service will be released on **April 7**.

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### **Flower Sale Fundraiser**

S.T.A.G.E. Youth Ministry's last fundraiser of the season is here. Order beautiful flowers to plant in your garden, as well as hanging baskets and tomato pots with cages. **Orders should be placed and paid for online (<https://tinyurl.com/2p87an35>) by April 19. Pick-up will be at Greenfield Presbyterian Church on May 21**, with more details to come. Thank you for your support throughout this year as the youth raise funds to go on their mission trip to Knoxville, Tennessee in July!

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### **Sign Up Today for a Hands-On Mission Event!**

After worship on **Sunday, May 22**, FPCRO is hosting a **Rise Against Hunger** event in Kirkman Fellowship Hall. Together, we will package an extraordinary number of meals that will be sent around the world. Use this link to sign up so that a space is reserved for you!

**<https://tinyurl.com/2p94mzd9>** A simple lunch will be served immediately following worship for all volunteers with a suggested donation of \$5. If you have questions, contact Candace Rieck, member of the Mission & Benevolence Committee, or call the church office.

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### **Holy Week & Easter Services**

- **April 10, Palm Sunday worship at 10:30 am**, followed by **coffee hour fellowship** hosted by the Deacons.
  - **April 14, Maundy Thursday worship at 7 pm** in the sanctuary.
  - **April 15, Good Friday worship at 7 pm** in the sanctuary.
  - **April 17, Easter worship: 9 am simple outdoor service** on the Hendrie lawn; bring a lawn chair and a flower for the cross!  
**10:30 am traditional service in the sanctuary with brass**
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*Our church is a Stephen Ministry church. Stephen Ministers are lay caregivers who are trained to provide high-quality confidential, Christ-centered care to people who are hurting.*