
Welcome To Worship



Sunday, March 16th, 2025



PRELUDE MUSIC
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS
MINUTE FOR MISSION- One Great Hour of Sharing
INVITATION TO REST

***Call To Worship:**
It is good when we come together to worship as the Body of Christ;
It is good when we are in the presence of one another.
It is good when we pray for one another and lift up each other;
It is good when we sing and praise God together.
It is good when we remember those who are unable to be with us,
For we know we are together in spirit.
Come, may we worship God, opening our hearts to the Spirit:
It is good when we follow Jesus our Savior together.

GATHERING HYMN #65 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah vs 1&2

KYRIE #627 I Love You Lord

(Our confession is also our act of love for the God who already covers us in grace.)

<i>I Love You Lord</i>	<i>And I Lift My Voice</i>
<i>To Worship You</i>	<i>Oh My Soul, Rejoice...</i>

CONFESSION of Need (Unison)
Sustaining God,
you would have us be deeply rooted in you,
finding strength in your word
and nourishment in your grace.
More often, though, we live as chaff,
blown here and there

by the winds of circumstance.
Forgive our lack of permanency
and our failures to hold fast
to our commitments.
Grow in us faith
that we might be firmly planted
in your promises,
released from sin,
and open to the life you have shown us
in Jesus Christ.

KYRIE	#627	I Love You Lord
<i>Take Joy My King</i>	<i>In What You Hear</i>	
<i>May it be a Sweet, Sweet Song</i>	<i>In Your Ear.</i>	

SILENCE for confession and resting In God’s grace.

DECLARATION OF GRACE (responsive)

The waters of grace refresh our lives
and bring forth a new creation.
This is good news!
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

RESPONSE HYMN:	#458	Thy Word
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SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you! **And also with you!**
Let us share a sign of God’s peace with one another.

SPECIAL MUSIC:	“Grace”	-Bells of Praise
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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (Unison)

**Holy Spirit, help us hear your voice beyond our inability to hear and
understand your word beyond any speaker’s ability to explain. Through your
word, speak to our hearts even if our heads are not ready to listen.
Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING 1..... Jeremiah 17:5-10
READING 2..... 1 Corinthians 15:12-20
GOSPEL..... Luke 6:17-26
*Leader: The word of the Lord. People: **Thanks be to God!***

SERMON.....**Rev. Gregory Isaacson**

SILENCE FOR CONTEMPLATION

CONTEMPLATION HYMN: **#749** **Come Live in the Light**

PRAYERS & GIFTS OF THE PEOPLE
Lord in your Mercy. **Hear our Prayer.**

THE LORD’S PRAYER (forgive us our “sins”)

BLESSING AND CHARGE (Responsive)
Beloved children of God receive the gift of the Holy Spirit, the grace of Jesus Christ, and the blessing of the Lord forever.
Alleluia! Amen.

CLOSING HYMN **#353** **My Hope is Built vs 1&4**

DISMISSAL (Responsive)
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

POSTLUDE *(Please be seated and enjoy the hard work of our talented musicians)*



A Warm Welcome to our Guests and Visitors!

If you are interested in finding out more about the church community or are interested in becoming a member, please contact us at:

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Sunday- March 16th, 2025
10:45 am Worship
11:45 am Coffee Fellowship

Ushers & Greeters.....Glen & Marlys Finkenbinder
Organist.....George French
Music Director.....Sandy Perkins
Reader.....Sandy Perkins

<u>Tuesday Mar. 18th</u>	<u>Wednesday Mar. 19th</u>	<u>Thursday Mar. 20th</u>
3:45pm: PW Women	6:00pm – Bells of Praise	1:00pm- Book Study

Next Sunday- March 23rd, 2025
10:45 am Worship
11:45 am Coffee Fellowship
Ushers & Greeters.....Dan & Vicki Svedarsky
Organist.....Hazel Mendez
Music Director.....Sandy Perkins
Reader.....Marsha Odom

Special Announcements!

*** P.W. meets Tuesday, March 18th @ 3:45pm ***

*The March Table Talk Newsletter is now available-
if you would prefer a digital copy or a paper copy
mailed to you, please let the office know.*



**Lenten
FOOD &
REFLECTIONS**

Wednesdays @5:30-7:00pm
March 12 - April 9

Throughout Lent we will be gathering on Wednesdays for simple meal and a time of reflections with Pastor Mike.

BUT

We need 2 folks willing to provide a pot of soup, chili, stew or other comfort food for us to share each week.

Please fill out the sign up sheet outside the sanctuary.



This denomination-wide offering during Lent responds directly to the needs God has called us as Christian Presbyterians to fulfill in Isaiah 58. It is the largest way we have come together every year to work for a better world for over 75 years.

Around the world, millions of people lack access to sustainable food sources, clean water, sanitation, education, and opportunity. The three programs supported by One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS)--Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA), the Presbyterian Hunger Program (PHP), and Self-Development of People (SDOP)-- all work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. From initial disaster response to ongoing community development, their work fits together to provide people with safety, sustenance, and hope.

Received during the season of Lent (March 5-April 20), each gift to the OGHS Offering helps to improve the lives of people in these challenging situations. The Offering provides us a way to share God's love with our neighbors in need.

Where Do the Funds Go?

32% helps Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) provide for recovery and hope
36% helps Presbyterian Hunger Program (PHP) alleviate hunger and care for creation
32% helps Self-Development of People (SDOP) invest in communities in need

Expect bulletin inserts and "minutes for mission" to inform us. Even though our PCUSA congregation is small, when we combine our gifts with other Presbyterian congregations in the US, we truly do make a good and positive difference in this world.


Please give generously and become Repairers of the Breach (Isaiah 58).

Thank you,
Your Mission Team

Andrew Root and Blair D. Bertrand

A Future for
Your Congregation
beyond More
Money, Programs,
and Innovation

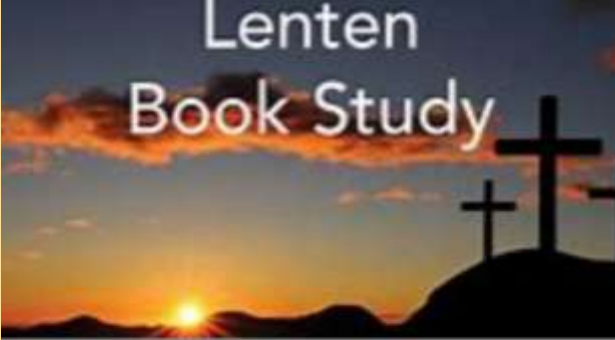
When
Church
Stops
Working



Congregational Book Study - Thursday, March 20th at 5:15pm.

We will be continuing with "When Church Stops Working" looking at Chapters 3-4 together.

Lenten Book Study



On March 6th, we will be starting an original series created by Pastor Mike. "The Heart of the Cross: Exploring how Jesus saves us".

This series will run through lent and look at the very different and surprising ways scripture describes how Jesus saves us. There is no book to purchase and anyone is welcome to join us Thursdays at 1:00 during lent.