

# W CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

2nd Sunday  
of Lent  
March 17, 2019

## ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Welcome

Brad Clayton

Prelude

Adam Ravain

\*Call to Worship (*responsive*)

Molly Novin

Praise be to God  
**who hears our voice.**  
God is our strength,  
**God is our shield;**  
our hearts trust  
**and help comes.**  
Our hearts leap for joy,  
**and with our songs we praise our God.**

\*Hymn No. 450

*Be Thou My Vision*

Call to Confession

Molly Novin

Prayer of Confession

Refuge of our hearts,  
**We have not made You the center of our lives. We look for shelter in the false security of the world, not in Your promises. Our fears are driven by our emotions and decisions, not by our trust in You. We look to the powerful, the beautiful, the athletic to be our role models, instead of the One who comes in Your name.**  
(*Silent confession*)

Have mercy on us, our Light and our Hope,  
**And touch us with Your forgiving grace. Fill our hearts with Your presence, so we might recognize the One who gathers us and leads us into Your Kingdom, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.**

Kyrie

**Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

Molly Novin

God does not give us up to the temptations and ways of the world, but shelters us with love, with hope, with grace.

**We are forgiven people. Our songs of joy are lifted to the One who forgives us and saves us. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

## \*Gloria Patri

**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. Amen.**

## \*The Passing of the Peace

Molly Novin

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*(During the Passing of the Peace, children are invited to come forward for the time with our young disciples.)*

## Proclamation of the Word

### Prayer With Our Young Disciples

Mary Steen

*(After the children's time, K-2nd graders should follow their leaders to Room 206 for Children's Worship.*

*Parents are welcome to take 3-5 year olds to the playground for Children's Enrichment.)*

### Scripture Lesson

Philippians 3:17-4:1 (*pew Bible p. 955*)

Brad Clayton

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Sermon

*Follow the Footsteps*

Brad Clayton

## Response to the Word

### \*Hymn No. 724

*O Jesus, I Have Promised*

### Offering

### Offertory

*Create in Me a Clean Heart*

by Alan Pote

Chancel Choir

### Prayer of Dedication (*responsive*)

Molly Novin

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### \*Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below;**

**praise God above, ye heavenly hosts; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen**

## Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Len Turner

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.

### Ordination and Installation of Elders and Deacons

Presentation of the Candidates

Elders: *Bob Apgar, Molly Novin*

Deacons: *Allen McConnaughay, Nancy Miller*

Constitutional Questions to the Candidates

Constitutional Question to the Congregation

Do we, as members of the church, accept these members as elders and deacons, chosen by God through the voice of the congregation, to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ?

**We do.**

Do we agree to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ who alone is Head of the Church?

**We do.**

Prayer with Laying on of Hands

\*Hymn No. 39

*Great is Thy Faithfulness*

## Sending Out Into the World

\*Charge & Benediction

Brad Clayton

\*Congregational Response

*Amen*

Hymnal p. 601

Postlude

Adam Ravain

*Live Simply, Love Generously, Serve Faithfully, Speak Truthfully, Pray Daily,  
and Leave Everything Else to God*

**Wednesday Night Alive.** Note that there are **no Wednesday Night Alive dinner or programs** this week due to Spring Break. We will resume on Wednesday, **March 27**.

**Easter Lily Orders.** If you would like to order a lily in honor or memory of a loved one for our Easter Sunday services, please use the order forms in the brochure rack in the lobby or in the church office. Order deadline is Sunday, **April 7**.

**Vacation Bible School** registration is open at [faithpcusa.org/vbs](http://faithpcusa.org/vbs). This year's VBS, *To Mars and Beyond*, is **June 17-21**, and we are in need of lots of volunteers. If you are interested in helping enrich the lives of children this summer, please see Jen McConnaughay, [jen\\_mc@comcast.net](mailto:jen_mc@comcast.net), or Mary Steen, [mary@faithpcusa.org](mailto:mary@faithpcusa.org).

**Restoration.** This year's Lent theme is *Restoration*. Our world seems so broken and worn out. Relationships are severed. We have frayed minds and torn hearts. We feel lost and alone and disconnected from one another. What we need most of all is for God to restore us. We need God to find us where we are and bring us back to where we belong. We need restoration in our homes and in our communities. We need our faith to be restored, and that can only come through the promise of Jesus Christ. During Lent, we encourage you to participate in restoration in any of the following ways:

- 1) **Restoration Amid Hurricane Damage.** Donate diapers, wipes, baby formula (for the Early Learning Coalition of Northwest Florida) backpacks, notebooks, ruled paper and pencils (for students in Calhoun County), money for the Blountstown Chorus to rent a bus to participate in the district MPA's (need \$384), money to "raise the roof" of First Presbyterian Marianna's food pantry (need \$5000), and money to replace the septic tank at First Presbyterian Marianna (need \$2700). Money can be placed in the offering plate during Lent, with hurricane restoration on the memo line; items can be placed on the pallets in the sanctuary. Thanks to you, we have already raised \$3800 toward t these items.
- 2) **Restoration through Personal Devotion.** Enjoy scripture, meditation and photography using visio divina as your devotional guide. The book, *Awakening to God's Beauty*, is \$3.75, and available from Pam Mills in the church office ([pam@faithpcusa.org](mailto:pam@faithpcusa.org)). Families can use the Lent-in-a-Jar devotional guides. Adults can join Faith Formation on Wednesday, March 13 to create a painting reflecting on restoration in Christ.
- 3) **Restoration through a Lenten Book Study, *A Dangerous Dozen*** by C.K. Robertson. Faith Formation, Wednesday evenings, **March 27—April 17**. Books, available from Pam Mills, or at Faith Formation on March 27, are \$17.00. In this book meet 12 fascinating — at times, intimidating — Christian change agents who were unafraid to ask what God would have them do in the face of life's realities, and unafraid to go ahead and do it. Their words and actions challenged the status quo, and in so doing, they showed the face of Jesus to the Church and to the world.

**Church Workday.** Bring the family, water bottles, gloves, and tools/equipment to help spruce up the buildings and grounds on Saturday, **April 6**. There are both indoor and exterior jobs, big and small jobs. Our goal is to get Faith looking great for our Easter guests. We'll gather at 8 a.m. for coffee and donuts in Fellowship Hall, but feel free to join us whenever you can.

**Stewardship Update**

Budget YTD: \$230,836

Received YTD: \$270,315

Spent YTD: \$223,170

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