

# Worship for the Lord's Day

\* Denotes all may stand if possible

Greetings & Announcements

Chris Parish

Refrain: God is good / ***All the time*** / All the time / ***God is good***

Prelude – *Amazing Grace* arranged by Bill Holcombe

Flutists - Mary Boyd, Tawnee Hunter, Amanda Sheffler  
and Stacey Steele, alto flute

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading – 2 *Peter 1:16–21*, pew Bible N.T., p. 1299

Call to Worship (*from Psalm 99*)

Mighty ruler, lover of justice,  
***you have established fairness among us.***

The Holy One is our sovereign.

***Let us praise God's great and awesome name!***

Hymn **141** – *A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing*, verses 1 and 3

Prayer of Confession in Response to God's Grace

***Glorious God, you are all wisdom and a lamp to our feet, yet we fail to listen to you and neglect to follow your guidance.***

[Silent prayer.]

***Forgive us, heal us, and lead us on, that we may walk in your ways and be happy in your refuge; in Jesus our Christ we pray. Amen.***

\*Response –

Joybells Handbell Choir

*The Gift of Love* arranged by Patricia Sanders Cota

Passing of the Peace:

Leader: May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

***People: And also with you.***

## PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The Word in Music – *Kyrie* by John Leavitt

Chancel Choir

*Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison. Alleluia, Allelu!*

Scripture Reading – *Matthew 17:1–9*, Bible N.T., p. 1045

Sermon – “*No Mere Myth*”

The Rev. Dr. Matthew L. Camlin

\*Song of Praise (on insert and screen) –

*How Great is Our God* by Chris Tomlin, Jesse Reeves and Ed Cash

## RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Introduction of New Members

Prayers of the People

Presentation of Offerings (If you haven't already, please pass the Friendship pads.)

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory – *Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies* arranged by Cindy Berry

\****Doxology***, Hymn #592

\*Prayer of Dedication

## SENDING

\*Hymn (on insert and screen) – *Sing of God Made Manifest*

\*Charge and Benediction

\*Benediction Response (on screen) –

*May the Peace of the Lord Christ Go with You* by P. Sutcliffe

\*Postlude – *Light of the Living God* by David Paxton

## WORSHIP NOTES

**If you are a guest today**, we pray that God will bless you through your presence with us. Please sign the pew pad, including contact information, so we may welcome you. **Assistance for worship** is available including large print bulletins and hymnals. We also have personal audio receivers that provide sound amplification.

**Childcare:** The Nursery for babies and toddlers (infants – age 2) is located through the side doors of the sanctuary to the left of the pulpit area, Room 212. “Thank you” to **Sara Arblaster** and **Marilyn Reeher** for staffing our Nursery today.

**Children’s Church**, Room 213, is a creative and developmentally appropriate worship experience for children aged 3–4<sup>th</sup> grade with teachers **Jill Postema** and **Diane Camlin**.

**Both Children’s Worship Bags** and **a basket with Children’s Bulletins** are located on the front pew of the transept.

**Something new for children:** Take a look at the new INFORMATION STATION in the vestibule near our preschool! Westminster College Education students have created a portable resource and we have the pleasure of enjoying it for the next few months. This Information Station has books for babies, preschool and all elementary students. Bookmarks and finger pointers and stuffed animals are available to hold while reading a book. The station also provides information for parents. Children may select a book or two to quietly read during morning worship, returning the books to the shelf after the service ends. *Thank you, WC Education Students.*

**Welcoming you** at the main entrance today are **Jon & Nancy Welker**.

**Today’s flowers** are given in honor of our new members: “WELCOME!”

We are very pleased that our middle school students serve as **acolytes** in worship. Today **Stephanie Klamut** and **Emily Arblaster** are lighting the candles. Next Sunday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, Ellie Postema and Liam Camlin will serve.

**MEMO for CHURCH OFFICERS — NEXT WEEK, MARCH 1<sup>ST</sup> GREETERS:**

N.W. Door (by ramp)

Bob Craig

S.E. Door (by Church Library)

Diana Reed

February 23, 2020  
Transfiguration of the Lord  
New Members Received

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**February Mission Focus-Rwanda:** Presbyterian World Mission works in partnership with the Presbyterian Church of Rwanda which enables this agency to assist in the training of theological students and strategic church leaders, encourage denominational staff as they shift from French to English, their national language, support the powerful post-genocide work done by church leaders in peace building and conflict resolution, and encourage congregations and presbyteries to become financially self-sufficient.

## TODAY

### Sunday (February 23, 2020)

- 9am Men's Bible Class, downstairs in the Lillian Martin Room
- 9:30am Sunday Morning Classes for all
- 10:30am WORSHIP
- 6pm SHYG (Senior High Youth Group), Youth Room

## THIS WEEK

### Monday (24)

- 5:45-7pm Spanish Class, Room 214
- 6:30pm Financial Peace University class, middle balcony room – #306

### Tuesday (25)

- 3:30pm Kids Club, Social Hall  
No Joybells *or* Carillon Handbell Choir rehearsals this week
- 7pm AA Meeting, Balcony Room 309

### Wednesday (26)

- 10am Staff Meeting, Room 206
- 6pm JHYG, Youth Room

### Thursday (27)

- 6pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room
- 7:30pm Worship Team Rehearsal, Sanctuary

**Saturday (29)** - Communion Bread Baking in the church kitchen at 10am

## NEXT SUNDAY

### Sunday (March 1st, 2020)

- 9am Men's Bible Class, downstairs in the Lillian Martin Room
- 9:15am UKirk Lenten Bible Study - Breakfast, Hunters' home (*See announcement.*)
- 9:30am Sunday Morning Classes for all
- 10:30am WORSHIP – Communion
- 6pm SHYG (Senior High Youth Group), Youth Room

The Mission Committee says, **“Thank you to ALL”** who bought Alternative Gift Valentines this year. The total amount = \$3,670!!!! A wonderful total.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**College students:** Mark your calendars for **Sunday, March 1st**, which will be our first of three, bible study/breakfasts for the Lenten season. We'll be using the devotions of Macrina Weiderkehr in her book called The Flowing Grace of Now. The bible study/breakfast will be held at the Hunter's house and will begin at 9:15ish. You can come for all three or any that suit your schedule.

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As Lent begins, **SALT** has chosen to reflect on the issue of climate change and crisis by exploring perspectives on the Green New Deal as they have been voiced in a recent issue of *The American Prospect* (<https://prospect.org/greennewdeal>). Although these concerns could be addressed under the rubric of the stewardship of creation, Lent also provides a liturgical frame. As we enter the season of Lent, a theme of which might be articulated as self-denial in the service of self-transformation, this material is fitting. For those of us in the Western world, the processes involved in the greening of ourselves and our society may well entail levels of self-denial that will far outstrip, both in scope and duration, those embraced during this particular liturgical season. These perspectives will be discussed on **March 1, 8, and 15**. SALT gathers in the southeast alcove of the social hall beginning with 10 minutes of silent meditation at **9:15**. All are welcome.

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**BIBLE STUDY ON THE BOOK OF ESTHER:** Thursday afternoons, **March 12, 19, and 26, 1:30-2:30**. Come join us for a Bible Study on the book of Esther. We will read and discuss this compelling and juicy story from the Old Testament. We will discover lots of interesting cultural and theological ideas. Lively discussion is possible. Being present and contemplating is also ok. Everyone needs to bring a Bible. Leader will be Rev. LoAnn Christy Fairman, chaplain at Shenango on the Green.

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**Nursery Volunteers needed!** Our nursery is staffed by Mrs. Marilyn Reeher and one volunteer each week year-round. We have need for a volunteer on each of these Sundays: March 1, 29 and April 12. Please stop by the nursery to sign up, contact the church office ([office@nwpresby.org](mailto:office@nwpresby.org)) or Linda Black ([linda@nwpresby.org](mailto:linda@nwpresby.org)). Clearances are required, but they are free and we can help you obtain them.