

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Second Sunday in Lent

March 12, 2017

10:15 a.m.

CELEBRATION “*O God, Our Help in Ages Past*” arr. McChesney

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Elder Jon Friedmeyer

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE “*What Wondrous Love is This*” arr. Wagner

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 121: 1-5a

Leader I lift up my eyes to the hills – from where does my help come?

PEOPLE OUR HELP COMES FROM THE LORD, WHO MADE HEAVEN AND EARTH.

Leader He will not let your foot be moved;

PEOPLE HE WHO KEEPS YOU WILL NOT SLUMBER.

Leader He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

PEOPLE THE LORD IS OUR KEEPER.

*PRAISE “*Here I Am to Worship*”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

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Silent Reflection

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader Hear the Good News of the Gospel,

PEOPLE IN JESUS CHRIST, YOU ARE FORGIVEN.

*GLORIA PATRI No. 579

PRAISE “*King of Glory*”

THE WORD

FIRST READING Genesis 12: 1-4

CHILDREN’S TIME Reverend Mark

*HYMN “*This Is My Father’s World*” No. 293

SECOND READING John 3: 1-17

SERMON *News?* Reverend Mark Gaskill

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE RESPONSE

OFFERTORY “*Prayer of Saint Francis of Assisi*” Garber

*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION No. 592

SENDING

*PRAISE “*Light the Fire*”

*BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE “*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*” No. 276 (v.1)

TAKING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

* THE PEACE

Leader: May the grace and peace of Christ be with you.

PEOPLE: AND ALSO WITH YOU.

*POSTLUDE “*Holy, Holy, Holy*” arr. Schram

“Leave in peace to serve our Lord and one another.”

*Please stand if able.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Elder Heather Beaton

PREPARE YOUR HEART

PRELUDE

"O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"

arr. Schram

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SECOND READING

John 3: 1-17

SERMON

News?

Reverend Mark Gaskill

THE SACRAMENT

PRAYER AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS (*Intinction*)

Communion in the Presbyterian Church is open. All who profess faith in Jesus Christ are welcome to the Lord's Table. The ushers will ask you to come forward in groups to form a semi-circle around the Communion Table. After taking a piece of bread, dip it in either the wine (first chalice) or grape juice (second chalice) and eat.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER

SENDING

*BENEDICTION

"Leave in peace to serve our Lord and one another."

*Please stand if able.

All children are welcome here, but we know that a fussy baby is much louder to a parent's ears than to any of ours. If you have need:

- We have a nursery down the main stairs and to the left. It is staffed with volunteers, who will gladly care for any little ones who show up at the beginning of the service. If there are none, the volunteers will come up to the sanctuary, the nursery room will remain available. There is also a diaper change station in the Nursery and in both downstairs restrooms.
- We have a speaker in the narthex so that you DIY soothers can listen while you walk the little ones around.

Except on communion Sundays, there is Children's church for ages 4 through grade 2. When there is Children's church, children will be dismissed after the Children's Time part of the service.

Worship Service Notes

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FRIENDS WHO LUNCH

The Friends Who Lunch will meet together this Tuesday with a luncheon at Kaow Thai Restaurant in La Plata. They will meet there at 12:00 noon. Please plan to join us for good food and great fellowship. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex. For further information call the church office.

LENTEN DINNERS & BEATITUDES STUDY

Lenten soup and salad dinners are on Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m., through April 5th. After clean-up there will be a Beatitudes Study starting at 6:45. There are sign-up sheets in the narthex (in a white binder), please sign-up if you would like to help by providing soup, salad, and or bread to share with friends.

THINKING ABOUT JOINING GSPC?

We will be holding another session today for any adults who would like to join GSPC as members. If you have been attending and would like to officially join the congregation please attend following the 10:15 Worship Service.

SERVICE OF HEALING AND WHOLENESS

Next Sunday, March 19, there will be a service of healing and wholeness during both Worship Services.

GSPC Care List as of March 9th

Please pray for the following people. They would enjoy cards & phone calls too.

Those Hospitalized or in Rehab Facilities:

- John Burian – George Washington University Hospital

Those who are ill, recovering, or facing surgery:

- Grover Baldwin
- Arlene Hughes
- Mary Spires
- Mindy Tracy
- Paul Webb

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE NEXT PRAYER EVENT – MARCH 31ST

** They are looking for volunteers to help with childcare during the event (child care is organized by some very capable people from a few of the larger churches so volunteers would mainly just need to show up and help out).



FIRST READING GENESIS 12: 1-4

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. ²I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³I 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.”

⁴So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran.

SECOND READING JOHN 3: 1-17

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ²He 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 apart from the presence of God.” ³Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” ⁴Nicodemus 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?” ⁵Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. ⁶What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ ⁸The 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.” ⁹Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” ¹⁰Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

¹¹“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. ¹²If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

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.

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.

We are pleased that you have chosen to worship with us today.
There are fellowship pads at the end of the row, please pass them, and sign them, so that you can learn the names of those who are sitting near you and so that they can know yours as well. Provide other information as desired. After the service, talk to old friends and meet some new ones.

We have snacks and coffee downstairs.

We have a platform lift for anyone who doesn't do well with stairs, see an usher for assistance.

*Please be mindful that as we prepare for worship
we are entering sacred space and sacred time.*

Please turn off cell phones and refrain from using other electronic media.

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The flowers on the Retable this morning are
in loving memory of Ron Banks' father, Ron Banks, Sr.

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Today's Volunteers: *Greeters:* Flora Family (10:15); *Acolyte:* Jackson Gaskill;
Ushers: John Holmes and Ron Banks (10:15); *Readers:* Heather Beaton (8:00),
Liz Carroll and Anne Creveling (10:15); *Nursery Volunteers:* Margaret Beigel,
Lori and JT Gibson; *Children's Church:* Jessica Lehrter and Heather Kriebel;
Coffee Hour: Janice and Charlie Eargle

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TODAY

Worship Service at 8:00 a.m.
Sunday School at 9:00 a.m.
Worship Service at 10:15 a.m.
Angel Bells at 11:45 a.m.
Hummingbird Choir at 11:45 a.m.

THIS WEEK

Mon. (March 13): 10:30 a.m. – Crafters
Tues. (March 14): 9:30 a.m. – Women's Bible Study
12:00 p.m. – Friends Who Lunch Will Dine at
Kaow Thai in La Plata
Wed. (March 15): **5:30 p.m. – Lenten Dinner**
6:45 p.m. – Worship Service
Thurs. (March 16): 5:30 p.m. – Celebration Ringers
7:00 p.m. – Adult Choir
Saturday (March 18): 8:30 a.m. – Getman Group/Men's Fellowship

COMING SOON

Lenten Soup and Salad Dinners on Wednesdays during Lent at 5:30 p.m.
Lenten Worship Services on Wednesdays during Lent at 6:45 p.m.
Service of Healing and Wholeness – March 19th at 8 & 10:15 Services
Youth Group Meets on Sunday, March 19th at 6:00 p.m.



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SESSION MEMBERS (CLASS)

Grover Baldwin (2019)	Jack Crews (2019)
Holly Banks (2018)	Jon Friedmeyer (2018)
Margaret Beigel (2019)	Kathy Koch (2017)
Jill Buntz (2019)	Debra Koehler (2017)
Loann Burian (2017)	Bill Koennel (2017)
Liz Carroll (2018)	Jack Tuttle (2018)

“Here I Am to Worship”

Light of the world you stepped down into darkness.
Open my eyes let me see
Beauty that made this heart adore you.
Hope of a life spent with you

Here I am to worship.
Here I am to bow down.
Here I am to say that you're my God.
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,
Altogether wonderful to me.

King of all days oh so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above.
Humbly you came to the earth you created
All for love's sake became poor

I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross.
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“King of Glory”

Who is this King of glory that pursues me with his love,
And haunts me with each hearing of His softly spoken words?
My conscience a reminder of forgiveness that I need.
Who is this King of glory who offers it to me?

Chorus:

**His name is Jesus, precious Jesus.
Lord Almighty, King of my heart,
King of glory.**

Who is this King of angels oh blessed Prince of Peace?
Revealing things of heaven and all its mysteries.
My spirit's ever longing for His grace in which to stand
Who is this King of glory, Son of God and Son of Man?

Who is this King of glory with strength and majesty
And wisdom beyond measure? The gracious King of Kings.
The Lord of earth and heaven, the Creator of all things.
He is this King of glory! He's everything to me.

The Lord of earth and heaven, the Creator of all things.
He is the King of glory! He's everything to me!

“Light the Fire”

I stand to praise You,
but I fall on my knees.
My spirit is willing,
but my flesh is so weak.

(men first, women echo)

So, light the fire... in my soul.
(Light the fire....in my weary soul)
Fan the flame....Make me whole.
(Fan the flame...Make my spirit whole.)
Lord You know...where I've been.
Lord You know...where I've been.
So light the fire in my heart again.

I feel Your arms around me,
as the power of Your healing begins.
Your Spirit moves through me,
like a mighty rushing wind.