

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

February 5, 2023 10:00 a.m.

PRELUDE "My Jesus, I Love Thee" arr. Krug

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Reverend Mark Gaskill

### THE GATHERING

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

One We are called to be righteous;

**ALL WHICH MEANS MORE THAN FOLLOWING THE RULES.**

One We are called to be holy;

**ALL WHICH MEANS MORE THAN AVOIDING EVIL.**

One We are called to be peacemakers;

**ALL WHICH MEANS MORE THAN AVOIDING CONFLICT.**

One We are called to be followers of Jesus;

**ALL WHICH MEANS MORE THAN JUST SAYING HE IS LORD.**

One We are called to be the Salt of the earth;

**ALL A CITY ON A HILL WITH LIGHT THAT CANNOT BE HIDDEN.**

\*HYMN "O Lord Our God How Excellent" No. 162

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

**Lord, forgive us when we repent of the small things, but neglect the changes our heart really needs. Forgive us when we love what is easy to love, but neglect the work of redemption. Forgive us when we turn away from broken things, but neglect being repairers of the breach. Forgive us when we offer elaborate sacrifices, but do not feed the hungry. Forgive us when we strive for prosperity, but neglect justice. Forgive us for what we will not see; what we refuse to know.**

*Silent Reflection*

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader Hear the Good News of the Gospel,

**PEOPLE IN JESUS CHRIST, WE ARE FORGIVEN.**

\*GLORIA PATRI No. 579

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 58: 1-12

OFFERTORY "This Do In Remembrance of Me" Hunnicutt

\* DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

### THE WORD

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 5: 13-20

SERMON *Salty* Reverend Mark Gaskill

THE SACRAMENT

PASTORAL PRAYER WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER

### SENDING

\*HYMN "God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand" No. 262

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE "My Faith Has Found a Resting Place" arr. Parks

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader May the Peace of Christ be with you all!

**PEOPLE AND ALSO WITH YOU!**

\*Please stand if able.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **SAFE NIGHTS – FEBRUARY 5-12**

Starting today the Safe Nights Homeless Shelter will move into our Fellowship Hall for one week. During that time, we as a church will be in charge of feeding and housing the residents. There will be few residents this year due to COVID protocols – up to 15 people. Thank you to everyone that will be donating their time and talent to care for the homeless. If you have any questions at all, please call or email the church office at **301-645-4134** or [gspc@comcast.net](mailto:gspc@comcast.net) or John Holmes at **301-932-0264** or [jfholmes84@gmail.com](mailto:jfholmes84@gmail.com)

### **MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR RON GALLEGOS**

There will be a Celebration of Life service for Ron Gallegos on Saturday, Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>, at 11 AM at GSPC. A reception will follow the service.

\*\*The Communion Team will need volunteers to help with the reception and volunteers to contribute food. If you are able to help, please sign-up in the narthex.

### **CHILI COOK OFF**

We are celebrating on Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>, with a Chili Cook Off. You wonder what GSPC is celebrating? We will be celebrating Mark's 10<sup>th</sup> year at GSPC!! We will also be celebrating Georgia Henry's birthday (Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>), since we were not able to celebrate her last year on her 80<sup>th</sup>. A sign-up sheet is available in the narthex for those who wish to participate either as chili chefs or by contributing salad, bread or dessert to share.

### **FIRST READING: ISAIAH 58: 1-12**

Shout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. <sup>2</sup>Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments, they delight to draw near to God. <sup>3</sup>“Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?” Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers. <sup>4</sup>Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. <sup>5</sup>Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the LORD? <sup>6</sup>Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? <sup>7</sup>Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? <sup>8</sup>Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard. <sup>9</sup>Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am. If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, <sup>10</sup>if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. <sup>11</sup>The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. <sup>12</sup>Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

## **SECOND READING: MATTHEW 5: 13-20**

<sup>13</sup>“You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. <sup>14</sup>“You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. <sup>15</sup>No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. <sup>16</sup>In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

<sup>17</sup>“Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. <sup>18</sup>For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. <sup>19</sup>Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. <sup>20</sup>For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

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**Today's Volunteers:** *Greeter:* Loann Burian; *Acolyte:* Tony Banks  
*Ushers:* Bill Koennel and Paul Hilliard;  
*Scripture Reader:* Charlotte Mandragos

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**TODAY**

Sunday School at 9:00 AM  
Worship Service at 10:00 AM

**THIS WEEK**

GSPC's Safe Nights This Week

Tues. (Feb. 7): 9:30 AM – Women's Bible Study  
Wed. (Feb. 8): No Bible Study for Today

**COMING SOON**

Celebration of Life Service for Ron Gallegos – Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>  
Chili Cook Off – Sunday, Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>

*Worship Service Notes*



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