

Gaithersburg Presbyterian Church – March 13, 2022

Second Sunday in Lent

Church in person at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Livestream on YouTube at 11:00 a.m.



Opening Music

(9:30)

“The Glory of These Forty Days”

(11:00)

“I Will Love to Tell You What I Think of Jesus”

Christian Women Fellowship

Welcome *Please sign our guestbook using the QR code on the back of the bulletin, or with the online link, or on paper in the church Gathering Space. Need help? Ask any usher.*

Call to Worship [*responsive*]

Come into God’s presence,
people of God.

**The dust that shapes the journey of Lent,
the cross that guides it,**

the color that surrounds it,
the light that fades through it,

**the word that foretells it,
the wilderness that invites it.**

**This is Lent,
and into its wilderness**

God calls us.

Come, friends,

Christ is heading for Jerusalem.

Let us come humbly to God.

Opening Prayer

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession [*together*]

Merciful God, whose ways are good and true,
we confess that we have not lived as Christ calls us to live.
We shut our eyes to evils our world allows.
We seal our ears to the cries of the suffering.
We cling to hostility and harden our hearts.

Therefore, we pray:

Open our eyes to see injustice in our world.
Give us courage to resist the powers that oppress.
Open our ears to hear the cry of the needy.
Open our minds to imagine an end to human strife.
Grant us wisdom to pursue the ways of peace.
Open our hearts to love our neighbors and our enemies.
For the sake of the world, in the name of Christ we pray. Amen.

[*Silence for Personal Prayer*]

Assurance of Pardon [*responsive*]

According to the Lord’s abundant mercy,
there is forgiveness for all who seek repentance,
and grace for all who turn their hearts to the way of Jesus.
We are forgiven, by the grace of Jesus Christ.
Thanks be to God. Amen.

We Listen to God’s Word

Children’s Message

Carolyn Hayes

Children and youth leave for class. Children can be picked up after church in Room 30/31 or Room 32/33. At 11:00, youth will be released from class to find you.

Sung Response

(9:30) “Open My Eyes, That I May See” Glory to God #451
(11:00) “He Knows My Words, My Thoughts, My Deeds”
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Scripture**Matthew 6:9–13**

- ⁹ ‘Pray then in this way:
Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name.
- ¹⁰ Your kingdom come.
Your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
- ¹¹ Give us this day our daily bread.
- ¹² And forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.
- ¹³ And do not bring us to the time of trial,
but rescue us from the evil one.

Philippians 1:3–11

I thank my God every time I remember you, ⁴constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, ⁵because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. ⁶I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. ⁷It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God’s grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. ⁸For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. ⁹And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight ¹⁰to help you to determine what is best, so that on the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, ¹¹having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

The Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon**Prayer for Amateurs**

Rev. Mary Austin

We Respond to God’s Grace

Hymn

“Come Bring Your Burdens to God”

Glory to God #851

Moment for Ministry

Nominating Committee

Carol Vandrey Curtis

Invitation to Generosity and Prayer of Thanksgiving**Prayers of the People**

The Lord's Prayer *[together]*

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.

We Depart for Service

Announcements

Sending Song *[stand]* "Every Time I Feel the Spirit" Glory to God #66

Passing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

Closing Blessing

Closing Music

(9:30) "Fugue in D minor" Johann Pachelbel

(11:00) "Lord, Dismiss Us With Thy Blessings"
Christian Women Fellowship

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Participating in the service:

Rev. Jacob Rodawla, Worship Leader (9:30)
Ms. Alvine Pouemi and Ms. Daniella Womeku, Worship Leaders (11:00)
Mr. Wade Meyers, Director of Music and Worship Arts
Ms. Carolyn Hayes, Director of Children and Young Families
Rev. Mary Beth Lawrence
Rev. Mary Austin

The Call to Worship is adapted from the writing of Roddy Hamilton.



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