



Glorify God, grow disciples, and meet the needs of our neighbors.

GATHERING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Sonata in F minor K.466 Domenico Scarlatti

Katia Dinas

♦ CALL TO WORSHIP Lloyd Yost, Lay Liturgist

Leader: The Lord has made a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.

People: The Lord has done great things for us, and we rejoice!

Leader: The Lord has restored our fortunes.

People: The Lord has done great things for us, and we rejoice!

♦ OPENING HYMN GTG 645

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

MIT FREUDEN ZART

CALL TO CONFESSION

God chooses to forget about our past, forgiving us so we may embrace the new life and new hope offered to us in the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. Let us confess our sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God of new things, we like to murmur about your generous ways, rather than living in your grace. The poor are always with us, we say, which we use to justify ignoring them. In our memories, we see a perceived golden past, and so close our eyes to the new things you do in our midst. We are so enamored with achievements that we are not willing to throw them away to follow Jesus. Forgive us, Restoring God, and allow us to notice your realm of peace and justice springing forth in our midst. By your grace, may our fears turn to faith, our seeds of grief produce a bumper crop of joy, and our tears turn into torrents of tenderness as we journey with Jesus, our Lord and Savior, in whose name we pray. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Making a way through all the foolishness and mistakes of our lives, God leads us into new life, where we are restored to grace, to hope, and to wholeness.

This is good news for everyone. Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! Amen.

♦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

GTG 582

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

GLORY TO GOD

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

HEARING THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

ANTHEM

Searcher of Hearts

Words by Jonathan Martin Music by John Purifoy

Katia Dinas, pianist Searcher of Hearts

Searcher of hearts, my own waits for You. Find me and make me Your temple of truth. I am your chapel, a home for Your grace. Cleanse me and show me Your marvelous ways.

Searcher of hearts, please know me I pray. Fill me with promise and hope for the day. I am Your vessel, a cup for new wine. Pour out Your spirit, Your presence divine.

Like a good shepherd, wherever I roamed, You sought me and brought me and gave me a home. Searcher of hearts, now I am found! Your love is unending. Your blessings abound!

Searcher of hearts, my own waits for You. Find me and make me Your temple of truth. I am Your vessel, a cup for new wine. Pour out Your spirit, Your presence divine.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

John 12:1-8

SECOND READING

Philippians 3:4-14

SERMON Rev. Dr. Ken Ritchie

"Pressing Forward"

RESPONDING

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Apostle's Creed, Traditional

Music: Mykhailo Verytsky; Words: Pavlo Chbynskyi

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins: the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

♦HYMN OF MEDITATION

National Anthem of Ukraine

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord**, Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

You made a path through the emptiness, . . . we offer our songs of thanksgiving:

Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Though you are holy, God of restoration, . . .

. . . we speak of that mystery we call faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

We pray that you would anoint . . . God in community, Holy in One. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

All believers of Jesus Christ, young and old, are invited to receive. Please wait and we will eat and drink together.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, send us out from this table to answer our Lord's summons into new life and to follow him with joy and gladness. Set our feet in his holy way, that our lives may be signs of his life and all we do may show forth his love. In the name of Jesus. Amen.

OFFERING

Offertory A Prayer of Need Penny Rodriguez

Doxology Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow GTG 606

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise him, all creatures here below. Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

O Generous God, may we see you in those around us; may we give up that which is most important to us, so that blessings of hope and life might be offered to the needy, the lonely, the hungry around us. Bless our offerings, we pray, so that others would be transformed even as we are, through Christ. Amen.

SENDING

***HYMN OF DEDICATION**

GTG 216

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

ST. CHRISTOPHER

♦ CHARGE & BENEDICTION

We will glorify God, grow disciples, and meet the needs of our neighbors.

♦ CHORAL BENEDICTION RESPONSE

♦ Stand as you are able

GTG-Glory to God Hymnal



Pastor Ken is leading a midweek devotion, *Praying the Beatitudes*, each Wednesday. Jesus began his Sermon on the Mount with these provocative and comforting statements of blessing. In many ways, the *Sermon on the Mount* is a disciple's training manual. What does it mean to be a follower of Jesus in these chaotic and anxious times? How might praying the beatitudes form and shape our faith and faithfulness? Each Wednesday a new video offering will be posted to the church's Facebook page and YouTube channel. If you like the Facebook page and/or follow the YouTube channel you will get notice when they have been uploaded. Join us and spread the word! Perhaps someone who is not part of our church might be interested!

PRAYER LIST

Dale Durcholz Mike Jones

Kathie Heffler Dennis Van Deventer

George & Mozelle Mills David Duell

Homebound or Recovering: Freddie Simmons,

Charley Rae Furrh (Terri Russell's cousin)

Easter Lilies – It is time to place your order for Easter Lilies. We will take orders until Palm Sunday. Please complete a brightly colored card (or print form from the March Newsletter) with quantity (\$11 each) and **specific** dedication/sentiment. You may place the card with payment attached in the offering trays, box in the Narthex or return to the church office by Palm Sunday.



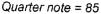
OPENING HYMN

645 Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above



National Anthem of Ukraine

Music: Mykhailo Verbytsky Words: Pavlo Chubynskyi





National Anthem of Ukraine – cont.



Lent and Easter is the time of year when we hear about *One Great Hour of Sharing*. The *One Great Hour of Sharing* offerings will be received from now until Easter, April 17. Whether giving online or via check please designate your offering by noting it for "OGHS."



For over 70 years, *One Great Hour of Sharing* has provided Presbyterians a way to share God's love with our neighbors in need around the world. In a world of disaster, hunger, and oppression millions of people lack access to sustainable food sources, clean water, sanitation, education, and opportunity. The three programs supported by *One Great Hour of Sharing* - Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People - all work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. From initial disaster response to ongoing community development, their work fits together to provide people with safety, sustenance, and hope.

You can choose to give to *One Great Hour of Sharing* (OGHS) or specifically Presbyterian Disaster Assistance- Ukraine (PDA-Ukraine). Designate your gift in the Memo section by notating either "OGHS" or "PDA-Ukraine" and your gift will be designated as requested. Thank you in advance for your gifts to *One Great Hour of Sharing* and Presbyterian Disaster Assistance-Ukraine.

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FUPC Choir and Music leadership

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Marissa Guerrero
Mary Marxer
Lois Norton
Barbara Ritchie
Gerry Shotswell

Katelyn Spivey

Alto Patti Sloey Jessica Stottlemyer Renee Wensley **Tenor** Kyle Feather Jeremy Rohwer

Kurt Booth Hawkins Burns Rich Lewis Zachary Rohwer

Bass

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The Session

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