



THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
IN MORRISTOWN

January 27, 2019
The Third Sunday after Epiphany

Celebration of Worship

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor." Luke 4:18

Prelude

Praise Unfolding

The Tower Ringers

Sandra Eithun (b. 1963)

*** Call to Worship** (*responsively*)

The Reverend Sarah Green

One: Come, let us worship the Lord,

Many: who brings good news to the poor and oppressed.

One: Come, let us worship the Lord,

Many: who offers liberation and freedom.

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*** Hymn 26**

Earth and All Stars!

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Confession and Pardon

Carolyn Crosthwaite

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

God of our Restoration, whenever we come home to you, we realize how far we have strayed. Your good news is for all people. Forgive us when we limit it to people like ourselves. Your grace is for all people. Forgive us when we hoard it, unable to believe in your abundance. Your love is for all people. Forgive us when we ignore it and fail to live by it. Move us to

*** Please rise in body or in spirit.**

with joy. Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them; and nothing is hid from its heat. The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul; the decrees of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple; the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the Lord is clear, enlightening the eyes; the fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever; the ordinances of the Lord are true and righteous altogether. More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb. Moreover by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward. But who can detect their errors? Clear me from hidden faults. Keep back your servant also from the insolent; do not let them have dominion over me. Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression. Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

Total Praise

Richard Smallwood (b. 1948)

The Chancel Choir

Lord, I will lift mine eyes to the hills knowing my help is coming from You. Your peace, You give me in time of the storm. You are the source of my strength. You are the strength of my life. I lift my hands in total praise to you. Amen.

Second Scripture Reading:

Luke 4:14-21

Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.” And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.”

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Blueprints for Ministry Rev. Green

* Hymn 773 Heaven Shall Not Wait *Heaven Shall Not Wait*

Moment for Mission Wooster Band Host Homes Amy Bozza

Greeting/Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts to God

(Please sign and pass the friendship pad to the person next to you. Offering envelopes and prayer request cards are located inside the friendship pads for your convenience. Cards will be collected with the offering.)

Offertory

The Heavens are Telling (from Creation) F. J. Haydn (1732-1809)

The Chancel Choir;

Emily Gaffney, soprano; Ignacio Angulo-Pizarro, tenor; Steve Kass, bass

The heavens are telling the glory of God, the wonder of his work displays the firmament. To-day that is coming, speaks it the day, the night that is gone, to following night. In all the lands resounds the word, never unperceived, ever understood.

* Doxology: Hymn 608 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow *Praise God*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Christ, all people here below;
praise Holy Spirit evermore;
praise Triune God, whom we adore.**

* Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People

The 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.

* Hymn 767 Together We Serve *San Anselmo*

* Benediction

Postlude

Come, O Thou Traveler Unknown Jason W. Krug (b. 1978)

The Tower Ringers

WORSHIP LEADERS

The Reverend Sarah Green
Julie Ramseyer, Director of Children's Music
Dr. Matthew Webb, Director of Music
Alexandra Mead, Director of Christian Education
Carolyn Crosthwaite, Liturgist
Kevin Graf, Organ Scholar
The Tower Ringers
The Chancel Choir

GREETERS

The Quinn Family, and Cathie & John Eyre

USHERS

Jack Fraebel, Head Usher; Jonah Perelman, Daria & Rich Lisco, and Nancy Niemann

ACOLYTES

Zachary Hoover and Julianna Geary

FLOWERS

In loving memory of Mary Jo Hashagen, on this, the first anniversary of her passing,
from Ken and David Hashagen

FELLOWSHIP HOUR

Hosted by the Potluck Presbyterians

UPCOMING EVENTS

Stephen Minister Information Session – Today at 11:15 a.m. in the Conference Room

For over 10 years, our congregation has shared God's love through our Stephen Minister program. If you have ever thought about joining this ministry, please join our information session. Applications will be accepted throughout February, and training will begin in March. Interested? Please contact Rev. Sarah Green at sgreen@pcmorrystown.org or facilitator Jim Wood at jwoodten@aol.com.

Annual Chili Cook-Off and Basket Auction – Friday, February 1 at 6:30 p.m. at Sheffield Hall

Come beat the winter blues with a bowl of chili and bid on our gift basket auction. New for this year, we'll also play "Minute to Win It," a series of 60-second challenges using common objects from around the house. All proceeds from this event will support our youth mission efforts.

Young Parents Small Group – Sunday, February 3 at 9:00 a.m. in Classroom 1

Join us for breakfast and fellowship on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month. Classroom 1 is the first Nursery School room behind Sheffield Hall. Babies and kids are welcome to join (babysitting also provided). Contact Addie Psathas adriennepsathas@gmail.com.

Children's Musical – Sunday, February 3 at 10:00 a.m. in South Street Hall

Our Bel Melodia and Bel Canto Choirs will present the musical Moses and the Freedom Fanatics during the 10 a.m. service. The drama based on the Exodus story opens with a grand procession of slaves that disturbs King Pharaoh's quest for a good night's sleep. The music includes lamentations of the slaves, a song cleverly portraying the plagues cast on Egypt, and a final song of triumph.

Community Outreach: Immigrant Trust Directive and Bias Crimes – Tuesday, February 5 at 6:00 p.m. in the Sheffield Hall

The Morris County Prosecutor's Office will hold a public meeting of the New Jersey Office of the Attorney General's 2121 Community Policing Project at PCM. The meeting will focus on the Attorney General's Immigrant Trust Directive and Bias Crimes. The Morris County Prosecutor's Office is presenting jointly with the Sussex County Prosecutor's Office. Doors open at 5:30 p.m with welcoming and opening remarks beginning at 6 p.m.

Sunday Morning Seminar – Hope Initiative with Sheriff James Gannon and Dick Kaller – Sunday, February 10 at 8:45 a.m. in the Erdman Room

In an effort to combat the opioid epidemic, the Morris County Sheriff's Office launched the Hope Initiative in 2017, which includes both a mobile outreach program and new programs inside the Morris County jail. PCM elder Dick Kaller has been involved in the chaplaincy program at the Morris County jail for many years and is excited about the new leadership under Sheriff James Gannon.

Annual Congregational Meeting – Sunday, February 10 Following the 10 a.m. Worship Service

The Session of the Presbyterian Church in Morristown calls the Annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, February 10, 2019 immediately following the 10:00 am worship service in South Street Hall. The annual report will be available for review next Sunday, February 3.

Music Made Here: Celebrating Black History Month – Sunday, February 10 at 3:00 p.m. in Sheffield Hall

Join us for our new concert series Music Made Here held in partnership with the Center for Musical Excellence. Soprano Sonya Headlam will be accompanied by our own Dr. Matthew Webb in a celebration of Black History Month, featuring art songs and spirituals by African and American composers. Tickets are \$30 and include a reception with the artists after the concert. To purchase tickets, please visit www.CMEmusic.org.

Faith on Film: Wonderstruck – Sunday, February 10 at 4:00 p.m. in the Youth Room

This critically acclaimed film follows the parallel paths of two deaf children separated by 50 years as they strike out alone in search of answers in New York City. This film is rated PG.

WELCOME

We are a historic church, part of a historic denomination, and we celebrate this history while exploring ways to bring passion and freshness to our worship and congregational life. Join us as we seek to discover Fresh Traditional ways to **proclaim, gather, and nurture**, all toward continuing Jesus Christ's earthly ministry of building God's Kingdom.

Visiting with Children?

- **Activity materials** for young worshippers are located on table on the rear left side of South Street Hall.
- **Infant and child care** is provided during the service in Room 5 on the first floor of the Parish House.
- **Restrooms:** Please accompany children (under age 10) to the restrooms. The restrooms are located near the entrance to South Street Hall, in the middle corridor.

Special Needs?

- **Large print bulletins** are available from the ushers.
- **Sturdier chairs with arms** are located throughout the worship space. We ask all other members to leave these chairs available for those who need them.
- **Feel free to ask** ushers and greeters for assistance if you have any questions or other special needs.

Please come again

- **Sunday Worship Schedule:**
 - 8:00 a.m. Worship with Communion in the Chapel (57 E Park Place)
 - 10:00 a.m. Worship in the Parish House (65 South Street)



The Presbyterian Church in Morristown

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