



THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
IN MORRISTOWN

March 17, 2019

The Second Sunday of Lent

Celebration of Worship

“I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, ‘Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.’” Luke 13:35b

Prelude

My Song is Love Unknown

Dale Wood (1934-2003)

Carol Johnson, organ

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

The Reverend Dr. David Smazik

One: God’s gifts are as many as the stars,

Many: **God’s grace as endless as the evening sky.**

One: Let us worship the Christ who binds us together,

Many: **the One in who we place our trust.**

*** Hymn 412**

God, Reveal Your Presence

Arnsberg

Confession and Pardon

The Reverend Sarah Green

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Holy One, Yours is a story of grace and mercy. Yours is a harvest of righteousness and truth. Yours is a gospel of goodness and sharing. Yours is a love that overflows. Forgive us for the ways we fall short of your call. Convict us of our failings. Enlighten us to your truth. Enliven us for your

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

Greeting/Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts to God

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

Offertory

Abide with Me

John Frederick Hudson

The Chancel Choir with Ignacio Angulo-Pizarro, tenor

Abide with me : fast falls the eventide; the darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide: when other helpers fail, and comforts flee, help of the helpless, O abide with me. Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day; earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away; change and decay in all around I see: O thou who changest not abide with me. I fear no foe with thee at hand to bless: ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness: where is death's sting? Where grave, thy victory? I triumph still if thou abide with me.

* **Doxology: Hymn 606** Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow *Old Hundredth*
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**

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 816** If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee *Wer Nur Den Lieben Gott*

* **Benediction**

Postlude

WORSHIP LEADERS

The Reverend Dr. David Smazik
The Reverend Sarah Green
Dr. Matthew Webb, Director of Music
Alexandra Mead, Director of Christian Education
The Chancel Choir
Carol Johnson, Conductor and Organist

GREETERS

The Quinn Family and Shirley & Dave Mutchler

USHERS

Bob Davies, Head Usher; Gretchen Doner, Daria & Rich Lisco,
Jonah Perelman, and Wendy & Ray Doidge

ACOLYTES

Mekhi Lawrence and Liam Lawlor

FELLOWSHIP HOUR

Hosted by Julia Scales and Karl Fenske

UPCOMING EVENTS

Inquirers' Class – Today at 11:15 a.m. in the Howard House

Interested in joining the PCM community? Light refreshments will be served, and childcare is available if needed.

Faith on Film: The Big Sick – Today at 4 p.m. in the Erdman Room

An unforgettable film that is frequently hilarious but explores the most important issues of relationships and identity as it follows a Pakistani-American comedian and Uber driver who defies his traditional parents to date a white woman. Kumail Nanjiani and Zoe Kazan star in this semi-autobiographical film written by Kumail Nanjiani and his wife Emily Gordon. This film is rated R. Pizza and salad will be served during the post-film discussion.

Wednesday All Church Dinner – Wednesday, March 20 at 6 p.m. in Sheffield Hall

Everyone is invited to our series of dinners from Lent through early May. The cost is \$5 per person. Please RSVP by Monday afternoon so we can order enough food:

bettydarcy55@gmail.com.

College of Wooster Scot Symphonic Band Concert – Wednesday, March 20 at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Clad in Dress MacLeod tartan kilts, this colorful musical group from Ohio features a full Concert Band as well as bagpipers and Highland dancers. The Scot Symphonic Band of the College of Wooster annually tours during their Spring break. Join us for an evening of music – no tickets needed!

Green Faith Local Action: Whippany River Clean-up – Saturday, March 23 from 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Come join our Morristown neighbors for the annual clean-up of the Whippany River. Meet behind Bethel AME Church at 59 Spring Street any time between 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. Wear sturdy shoes, work gloves, and layered work clothing. All ages are welcome. Rain date: March 30.

Sunday Morning Seminar: How Our New Testament Came to Be, Dr. Stephen Moore – Sunday, March 24, 31, and April 7 in the Erdman Room at 8:30 a.m.

These three sessions will provide an overview of the four-hundred year process that resulted in the twenty-seven books being selected from a much larger body of early Christian literature and formally canonized into our New Testament. Early Christian communities read and revered a much wider set of literature including many such as the Gospel of Thomas that are now widely read in some Christian circles today.

Stephen Moore is Professor of New Testament Studies at Drew Theological School. He received a PhD in New Testament from Trinity College, University of Dublin.

Jazz Vespers – Sunday, March 24 at 5 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Experience a new expression of worship with a musical style that transcends generations. Join us for this Fresh Traditional® offering led by the Steve Hess Trio with saxophonist Anton Denner.

Retiree Luncheon – Wednesday, March 27 at 12 p.m. in the Erdman Room

The Community and Membership Committee invites retirees and others free in middle of the day for lunch and fellowship. Please RSVP to Cathie Eyre at cdeyre@aol.com or 973-635-6044.

70th Anniversary of One Great Hour of Sharing

Since 1949, Presbyterians have joined with millions of other Christians each Lent through One Great Hour of Sharing to share God's love with people experiencing need. Your gifts to this special offering support ministries of disaster response, refugee assistance and resettlement, food for the hungry, and community development. We will receive and dedicate our offering on Palm Sunday, April 14, 2019. You may also donate online or mail a check to the church office.

Eklund Scholarship – Apply Now!

In partnership with the Community Foundation of New Jersey, the Finance Committee is pleased to announce the Eklund Scholarship, which will be awarded during the worship service on Sunday, June 23. The scholarship will be awarded to an active member(s) of the congregation who has been accepted as a full-time student at an institution of higher learning within the United States during the 2019-2020 academic year. Applications are due by Monday, June 3. For more information on this and other scholarships, please visit our website.

LENT & HOLY WEEK

*Our Lenten Daily Devotional, Awakening to God's Beauty
is now available in the Sanctuary and the Parish House.*

Sundays in Lent

Awakening to God: Abiding, Waiting, Satisfaction, Forgiveness, Restoration

Palm Sunday – April 14

8 a.m. Worship with Communion in the Chapel

10 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary with Children's Palm Parade, Tower and Cantabo
Choirs and Daniel Reardon on trumpet. One Great Hour of Sharing Dedication.

Maundy Thursday – April 18

7:30 p.m. Communion Service in the Sanctuary with the Chancel Choir

Good Friday – April 19

12 p.m. Service in the Sanctuary

7 p.m. PCM joins Church of the Redeemer at 36 South Street for a brief service
followed by a prayer walk in Morristown

Easter Sunday – April 21

8 a.m. Sunrise Service in the Sanctuary with Daniel Reardon on trumpet

10 a.m. Service in the Sanctuary with the Chancel Choir with brass quintet and
percussion

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 in the vestibule by Howard House.
- **Infant and child care** is provided in Howard House during the service, the building to the right of the sanctuary.
- **Restrooms:** Please accompany children (under age 10) to the restrooms. (Located through the left front door.)

Special Needs?

- **Feel free to ask** ushers and greeters for assistance if you have any questions or special needs. **Large print bulletins** are available from the ushers in the Narthex at the back of the church.

Please come again

- **Sunday Worship Schedule:**
 - 8:00 a.m. Worship with Communion in the Chapel
 - 10:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary



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