



THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
IN MORRISTOWN

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February 9, 2020  
*The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany*

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**Celebration of Worship**

**Prelude**

Adagio from Sonata in D minor, Op. 108, No. 3      Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)  
Robert Radliff, violin & Matthew Webb, piano

**\* Call to Worship** (*responsively*)      The Reverend Dr. David Smazik

One:      We are called to serve—to be Christ with and for one another,

**Many:      for we are the salt of the earth!**

One:      We are called to shine—to be beacons of hope and witnesses to truth,

**Many:      for we are the light of the world!**

One:      Come, you who are claimed as children of God, salt of the earth and light  
of the world.

**Many:      Let us worship the Lord!**

**\* Hymn 667**      When Morning Gilds the Skies      *Laudes Domini*

**Confession and Pardon**      The Reverend Sarah Green

**Prayer of Confession** (*unison*)

Lover of justice, giver of mercy, you call us to share our bread with the hungry and to open our homes to the homeless, to care for the poor and to satisfy the needs of those who suffer. Forgive us when we use our sense of helplessness as an excuse not to serve others. Remind us, we pray, that you are at work in and through us to bring about your reign. Free us from fear

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

and stir our hearts toward a greater generosity that we might be the salt and light you have called us to be. Amen.

**Kyrie: Hymn 578**

O Lord, Have Mercy

*Oré Poriájú Verekó*

### Silent Prayer

#### Assurance of Pardon *(responsively)*

One: The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

Many: **Through the unconditional love of God our sins are forgiven.**

**\* Response: Hymn 435, v.2**

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

*In Babilone*

**\* Passing of the Peace**

### A Time for Young Christians

Alexandra Mead

#### Prayer for Illumination *(unison)*

God of mercy, you promised never to break your covenant with us. Amid all the changing words of our generation, speak your eternal Word that does not change. Then may we respond to your gracious promises with faithful and obedient lives; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

#### First Scripture Reading:

Psalm 112

(Old Testament, page 532)

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: **Thanks be to God.**

### Anthem

Pie Jesu

Mary Lynn Lightfoot

The Tower Choir

*Merciful Jesus Lord, grant to them rest. Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant them rest everlasting.*

#### Second Scripture Reading:

Matthew 5:13-20

(New Testament, page 5)

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Light Dimmers

Rev. Dr. Smazik

\* Hymn 314

Longing for the Light, We Wait in Darkness

*Christ, Be Our Light*

Moment for Mission

Youth Service Opportunities Project

Confirmation Class

### 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

O Lux Beata Trinitas

Kurt von Kampen (b. 1960)

The Chancel Choir

*Let light shine out of darkness, for God has shone in our hearts so we may share the love of Christ. For God has shone in our hearts to give light of the knowledge of God's bright glory, the face of Jesus, the light of the world.*

\* **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**

Music for Violin and Piano

Robert Radliff, violin & Matthew Webb, piano

**The Annual Congregational Meeting will begin following the service. Extended childcare is available in the Howard House through the end of the meeting.**

## WORSHIP LEADERS

The Reverend Dr. David Smazik

The Reverend Sarah Green

Dr. Matthew Webb, Director of Music

Alexandra Mead, Director of Christian Education

Ignacio Angulo-Pizarro, Director of Children's Music

The Tower Choir

The Chancel Choir

## GREETERS

Diana Gulick, Karen Crooks, Craig Dodd, and Mark DeMos

## USHERS

Jack Fraebel, Head Usher; Shirley & Dave Mutchler,  
Cheryl Smith, Bridget Ewing, Colleen Ewing, and Katherine Williams

## ACOLYTES

Abby Ewing and Colin Hoppes

## FLOWERS

In loving memory of Mary Jo Hashagen

Given by Ken and David Hashagen

### **Per Capita**

Per capita financially supports the higher church councils: our presbytery (Newton), our synod (Northeast), and the PCUSA. These levels of connectivity are one of the things that make Presbyterianism unique; so, in a sense, per capita provides the glue that holds the Presbyterian Church together. For 2020 per capita is \$39 per member. Please remember to write “per capita” in the memo line.

### **Reminders about Flowers and Parking**

When you make a flower donation to the church for Sundays, please remember to write "flowers" in the memo line or indicate it in your correspondence. There is a flower donation envelope in the offering envelope box for your convenience.

Parking in the rear of the church on Sundays is reserved for those with special needs.

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## **Lent 2020 – Becoming a Beloved Community**

Our Lenten Daily Devotional, *Becoming a Beloved Community*, will be available in the Sanctuary and Parish House on Sunday, February 23

Ash Wednesday Services on Wednesday, February 26:  
7:00 am, Noon, 7:00 pm – in the Chapel

Lenten Small Groups will be announced in the coming weeks.

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## **Young Professionals Small Group Bible Study – Tuesday, February 11 at 7 p.m. in the Howard House**

Our small group for young professionals looking to network and grow their faith in Christ meets in the Howard House located next to the Sanctuary. Please RSVP to Rev. Dr. Smazik at [dsmazik@pcmorrictown.org](mailto:dsmazik@pcmorrictown.org).

## **Fellowship Luncheon – Thursday, February 13 at 12 p.m. in the Parish House Erdman Room**

Join us for fellowship and conversation at our monthly luncheon. Please RSVP to Cathie Eyre at the What's Up Table after the service. A \$5 donation is suggested.

## **Adult Education Seminar: Emergence of New Leaders, Dr. Anne Stewart – Sunday, February 16 at 8:30 a.m. in the Erdman Room**

According to Phyllis Tickle in *The Great Emergence*, the church is in the midst of a great moment of monumental change. Not unlike the Reformation, this time is one that will alter the course of the church for all time. Dr. Anne Stewart, Vice President for External Affairs of Princeton Theological Seminary, will present some of the current dynamics and new possibilities of theological education as leaders for the emerging church are prepared for a challenging future ministry.

## **Faith on Film: *The Bookshop* – Sunday, February 16 at 4 p.m. in the Erdman Room**

In a 1950s English town, a free-spirited widow follows her lifelong dream by opening a bookshop, spurring a cultural awakening over the objections of conservative locals. Vern Verhoef will lead a post-film discussion over pizza and salad. This film is rated PG.

## **All Church Dinner – Wednesday, February 26 at 6 p.m. in Sheffield Hall**

All Church Dinner is back for the Lenten season. Stay after our Midweek programming or come at 6 p.m. and join us for a time of fellowship. Please RSVP to Betty Darcy.

## **Harmonium Choral Society Concert – Saturday, February 29 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, March 1 at 3 p.m. in the Sanctuary**

The Harmonium concert will focus on mental health with the major new cantata *Open Minds* by Rob Redei on poetry by Deborah Kennedy and works on Allegri, Parente, Barnwell, Trumbore, James Taylor, and more. Advance tickets are \$25 (\$20 students and seniors) and available on [harmonium.yapsody.com](http://harmonium.yapsody.com). Tickets at the door are \$30.

## **Inquirers' Class – Sunday, March 1 at 11 a.m. in the Howard House**

Interested in joining the PCM community and want to learn more? Light refreshments will be served, and childcare is available if needed. RSVP to Sarah Galo in the main office at [sgalo@pcmorrictown.org](mailto:sgalo@pcmorrictown.org).

# WELCOME

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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.

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## We welcome young children in our worship services

- **Activity materials** for young worshippers are located in the vestibule by Howard House, the building to the right of the sanctuary.
- **Infant and child care** is provided in Howard House during the service. Live-streaming of the service is also available in the Howard House.
- **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 Schedule:**

- 8:00 a.m. Worship with Communion in the Chapel
- 8:30 a.m. Adult Education Seminar at 65 South Street
- 8:45 a.m. Children's Sunday School at 65 South Street
- 10:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary



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