

balmoral presbyterian church

service of worship

February 17, 2019

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

11:00am

**asterisk invites you to please stand if you are able*

please turn your cell phones to silent

Chiming the Hour

Bells of Balmoral

Prelude

***Call to Worship¹**

Art Hall

One: You who are poor, you who are brokenhearted, why have you come?

All: To hear good news and seek healing for our hearts.

One: You who are captive, you who are prisoners, why have you come?

All: To hear words of freedom and be released from that which binds us.

One: You who mourn, you who hunger for what is right, why have you come?

All: To receive comfort and be filled in the presence of our God.

***Hymn 645**

“Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above”

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Confession¹

Rev. Carla Meisterman

All: Living Word, You call those who are poor in spirit “blessed.” We place our own desires over the needs of others. You call those who mourn “blessed.” We insulate ourselves from the pain that surrounds us. You call those who are meek “blessed.” We make it a practice to appear strong and superior. You say, “Blessed are the peacemakers.” We fail to live in peace with those who are familiar and those we fear. Forgive us.

Keep a generous silence, and listen to your life.

Assurance

Rev. Carla Meisterman

***Congregational Response Hymn 155**

“Raise a Song of Gladness”

JUBILATE DEO

Raise a song of gladness, peoples of the earth.

Christ has come, bringing peace, joy to every heart.

Alleluia, alleluia, joy to every heart! Alleluia, alleluia, joy to every heart!

***Share the Peace of Christ**

Rev. Carla Meisterman

***Congregational Chorus²**

“Let There Be Peace on Earth”

Jill Jackson & Sy Miller

Let there be peace on earth And let it begin with me;

Let there be peace on earth, The peace that was meant to be.

With God our creator We are family, Let us walk with each other In perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me, Let this be the moment now;

With every step I take, Let this be my solemn vow:

To take each moment and live each moment In peace eternally.

Let there be peace on earth And let it begin with me.

Announcements

Rev. Carla Meisterman

Musical Offering

“Blest Are the Pure in Heart”

Raymond Haan

Fran Addicott, guest director
Frank Carney, organ

Prayer for Illumination

Art Hall

Centering Silence...*Be still. Prepare yourself to hear the Word of God.*

Scripture

Jeremiah 17:5-10 & Luke 6:17-26

Art Hall & Rev. Carla Meisterman

Sermon

Woe & Blessing

Rev. Carla Meisterman

Silent Reflection...*In the silence, attend to what the Spirit has given you.*

Hymn 172 *(please remain seated)*

“Blest Are They”

BLEST ARE THEY

The Prayers of God’s People

Art Hall

Offering

Art Hall

Please place tithes, offerings, and sign-up sheets in the brass plates. Children will collect quarters to provide funds to the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Fund. Place Pennies for Hunger in the glass jar near the sanctuary doors for our Food Pantry.

Offertory

***Hymn 710**

“We Lift Our Voices”

OFFERING

***Prayer to Dedicate the Gifts**

Usher

***Hymn 773**

“Heaven Shall Not Wait”

HEAVEN SHALL NOT WAIT

***Charge & Blessing**

Rev. Carla Meisterman

***Benediction Hymn**

“Lord, Let Us Leave Now”

Old English Tune

**Lord, let us leave now, filled with Thee anew,
and pledged to Thy service in all that we do.
Though we have some questions, our faith in Thee is sure.
We know Thou art with us; Thy way will endure.
Lord, let us leave now, filled with Thee anew,
and pledged to Thy service in all that we do.**



¹Call to Worship and Confession adapted from writings by Joanna on “Spacious Faith” website. (spaciousfaith.com/2013/02/06/wednesday-worship-piece-call-to-worship-5/ and spaciousfaith.com/2011/01/26/wednesday-worship-piece-revised/)

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announcements...

- **HEADSETS** for improved hearing are available in the sound booth at the window side of the sanctuary.
- **SESSION** meets today, February 17, at 4:30pm in Classroom C.
- Sign up for the **FOOD SORT** on Thursday, February 21. Meet in the parking lot at 5:30pm to caravan to the Food Pantry; plan to eat dinner together after the sort.
- **ACOUSTIC EIDOLON** will be in concert Friday, February 22, at 7:00pm in Balmoral's sanctuary. The concert is free (donations accepted).
- After worship on Sunday, February 24, the **CARE MINISTRY** group will present a session on Alzheimer's with discussion leader Laura Pate, Manager of Programs and Education for the Alzheimer's Association. Please sign up on the sign-up sheet in the Friendship pad to let us know how many will be attending.
- **NOMINATIONS for ELDERS, CLASS of 2022**, are being considered by the 2019 Nominating Committee. See the insert for more information as you consider members you believe may be called to serve as Ruling Elders. Nominations may be submitted by using the sign-up sheet in the Friendship Pads.
- **DON'T FORGET the FOOD CART!** Hundreds of families depend on your donations. Let's make sure the Food Cart has plenty of food for the Food Pantry!
- **JOHNSON AUXILIARY** collects items all year long—in need are hygiene products, winter clothes (no turtlenecks), sweatpants, men's casual shoes, new women's underwear and socks, men's hoodies, jackets, and gloves.
- **VOLUNTEERS for the PRE-SCHOOL ARE NEEDED** during Sunday worship time. If you would be willing to give up your worship time for one Sunday and spend that time with the children, please contact the church office or Glenda Ellis, and we'll get you scheduled for service.
- **CRISIS MEALS** are occasionally needed for those on the Prayer List. If you would be willing to provide a meal during a family crisis, sign up on the insert in the Friendship pad or contact Eleanor Thomas.
- We begin the 40 day journey of Lent with our **ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE** on March 6, 2019, at 6:45pm in the sanctuary. Rev. Carla Meisterman and Rev. Anne Hagler will guide us in reflection and contemplation as we gather to worship and receive the imposition of ashes.
- Anne Hagler will lead six weekly **SPIRITUAL RETREATS** on the theme "*Where is God?: Mindfulness for Today*" beginning Tuesday, March 12, from 10:30 to noon, and continuing through Tuesday, April 16. Sign up on the insert in the Friendship pads or call the church office.

prayer concerns...

birthdays...

FEBRUARY: Rick Pride (24), Art Hall (25), Emmy Orians (27), Carole Plummer (27), Rosie Schmitz (28)

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