

# **balmoral presbyterian church**

## **service of worship**

February 24, 2019

Seventh 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 Worship**

Rev. Carla Meisterman

One: People of God, what does God require of us?

**All: We are called to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with our God.**

One: People of God, what does Jesus call us to do?

**All: Be merciful, just as God is merciful.**

One: Followers of Christ, how are we called to live?

**All: We are to love our neighbors as ourselves.**

### **\*Hymn 203**

“Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love”

CHEREPONI

### **Confession**

Rev. Carla Meisterman

**All: Loving God, You came to us in Christ to us to teach us the way to live. You call us to give and tell us it will be given back to us in abundance. Your desire is that we do good and share with those in need. We confess we rarely seek out opportunities to pass on the grace we have received from You. We hesitate to share generously for we fear we will not have enough. Forgive us. Help us to remember we are Your people, called to serve others with humility and love.**

*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 Chorus<sup>1</sup>** “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

**Minute for Mission** Xjupil Cistern Ministry Jane Schneider

**Musical Offering** "My God is a Rock!" arr. Alice Parker & Robert Shaw

**Prayer for Illumination** Rev. Carla Meisterman

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

**Scripture** Proverbs 3:27 & Luke 6:27-31, 38 Rev. Carla Meisterman

**A Heart and Soul Story** Phyllis Blackstone, Storyteller

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

**Hymn 727** *(please remain seated)* "Will You Let Me Be Your Servant" THE SERVANT SONG

**The Prayers of God's People** Rev. Carla Meisterman

**Offering** Rev. Carla Meisterman

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 700** "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me" I'M GONNA LIVE

**\*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.**



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## announcements...

- **HEADSETS** for improved hearing are available in the sound booth at the window side of the sanctuary.
- We welcome storyteller Phyllis Blackstone in worship his morning! Phyllis retired from a 43-year career in education with an emphasis in literacy and language. From first graders to graduate students, storytelling is her preferred teaching tool. Now she shares stories with a variety of audiences from classrooms, churches, and senior centers. She currently lives in Maine and is spending time in Memphis during the winter.
- *Spend an inspired Friday evening listening to Acoustic Eidolon, and start your weekend off right!* **ACOUSTIC EIDOLON** will be in concert Friday, February 22, at 7:00pm in Balmoral's sanctuary. The concert is free (donations accepted).
- Plan to stay after worship this morning for the **CARE MINISTRY** group session on Alzheimer's with discussion leader Laura Pate, Manager of Programs and Education for the Alzheimer's Association.
- The Session has called a **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** after worship Sunday, March 3, to hear the report from the 2019 Nominating Committee and consider the nominations for Elders in the Class of 2022.
- 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. All are welcome! Sign up on the insert in the Friendship pads or call the church office.
- **CHAIR YOGA** is coming to Balmoral two days a week, led by Lynn Ward. Chair Yoga is a class that will help with balance and flexibility, and it is for everyone. You can do Chair Yoga even if you have had knee or hip surgery or are using a walker or cane. It is modified to your needs, and each participant is encouraged to only do what they feel they are able to do. More information will be shared at the Alzheimer session after worship today, or you may contact Lynn Ward.
- **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.

# prayer concerns...

# birthdays...

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

**MARCH:** Robin Ashworth (4)

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