

balmoral presbyterian church service of worship

March 10, 2019

First Sunday of Lent

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

“Come Quickly, Lord, to Rescue Me”

arr. George Shearing

Linda Warren, organist

Introit

“The Lord Is My Light”

arr. Kiran Young Wimberly and the McGraths

*Call to Worship

Janice Hill

One: Come worship the God of Abraham, Sarah, and Moses,

All: who hears the cries of the people, who is the fount of deliverance.

One: Come worship the God of our fathers and mothers, the God who is with us.

All: We worship the God who meets us on holy ground and calls us by name.

*Hymn 5

“God the Sculptor of the Mountains”

JENNINGS-HOUSTON

Confession

Rev. Carla Meisterman

All: God of many names, Your people called You Yahweh, Jehovah, Adonai. We call you Creator and Lord, but we confess we take little interest in knowing You. We worship other gods. We are quick to take Your name in vain. We rarely recognize Your presence among us. Yet You see us as we are and love us still. Forgive us.

Keep a generous silence, and listen to your life.

Choral Response

“Lord, Have Mercy upon Us”

KYRIE ELEISON (Pardini)

Assurance

Rev. Carla Meisterman

*Congregational Response Hymn 698

“Take, O Take Me as I Am”

TAKE ME AS I AM

Sing chorus twice.

**Take, O take me as I am; summon out what I shall be;
set your seal upon my heart and live in me.**

*Share the Peace of Christ

Rev. Carla Meisterman

***Congregational Chorus** "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace" PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS
Make me a channel of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me bring your love.
Where there is injury, your pardon Lord, and where there's doubt true faith in you.
O Master, grant that I may never seek so much to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love with all my soul.
Make me a channel of your peace. Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope.
Where there is darkness, only light, and where there's sadness ever joy.

Announcements Rev. Carla Meisterman

Musical Offering "Unto Thee, O Lord" Francis Aulbach

Prayer for Illumination Janice Hill

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

Scripture Exodus 3:7-15 & Matthew 22:23-33 Rev. Carla Meisterman & Janice Hill

Sermon "I AM THAT I AM" Rev. Carla Meisterman

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

Hymn 11 *(please remain seated)* "Source and Sovereign, Rock and Cloud" ABERYSTWYTH

The Prayers of God's People Janice Hill

Offering Janice Hill

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 52** "When Israel Was in Egypt's Land" GO DOWN MOSES

***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.

Postlude "Salvation" Davidsson, arr. Gilbert Martin
Linda Warren, organist

announcements...

- **HEADSETS** for improved hearing are available in the sound booth at the window side of the sanctuary.
- Anne Hagler will lead six weekly **SPIRITUAL RETREATS** on the theme *“Where is God?: Mindfulness for Today”* from 10:30am to noon, beginning Tuesday, March 12, 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. The 45-minute class will be offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 12:30pm, beginning March 19. For more information, contact Lynn Ward.
- **OPERATIONS COMMITTEE** meets Monday, March 11, 6:30pm, classroom C.
- **BOOK CLUB** meets Tuesday, March 12, 1:30pm in the Office Conference Room. The selection for March is *A Wrinkle in Time* by Madeline L’Engle.
- **SESSION MEETING:** Sunday, March 17, 4:30pm in classroom C.
- **SIGN UP for the FOOD SORT** on the inserts in the Friendship pads. Volunteers will meet in the church parking lot at 5:30pm, Thursday, March 21, to carpool together to the Food Pantry.
- **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...

MARCH:

Bill Hooker (13), Robin Van Nortwick (20), John Gilmer (27)

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