

balmoral presbyterian church service of worship

March 17, 2019

Second Sunday of Lent

11:00am

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

please turn your cell phones to silent

Introit

“The Lord Is My Light”

arr. Kiran Young Wimberly and the McGraths

Chiming the Hour

Bells of Balmoral

Prelude

*Call to Worship

Janice Hill

One: We are people in need of the light of Christ

All: to shine through the darkness in our lives.

One: Darkness is as daylight to our God.

All: We wait for the wonder of the morning.

*Hymn 230 (verses 2 & 4)

“Joyful Is the Dark”

LINDNER

Choir will sing verse 1. Congregation will join in on verses 2 & 4.

Confession

Rev. Carla Meisterman

All: Eternal God, in the beginning, Your Spirit moved in chaos. You spoke, and there was light. You came near to Moses, and fire burned away the shadows that kept him from his calling. You came to the world in Christ and rolled away the stones that keep the world enshrouded. Help us, Lord. Our eyes adjust quickly to the darkness. We are quick to see the wrongs, the failings, the impossible. Forgive us. Help us to see Your light inside of 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

**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 “Resurrection Dance” Russell Schultz-Widmar

Prayer for Illumination Janice Hill

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

Scripture Job 19:25-27a & John 11:17-27 Rev. Carla Meisterman & Janice Hill

Sermon “I AM the Resurrection” Rev. Carla Meisterman

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

Hymn 247 *(please remain seated)* “Now the Green Blade Rises” NOËL NOUVELET

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** *(see insert)* “I Am the Resurrection” Ray Repp
Choir will sing refrain and first verse; congregation joins for second refrain and verses 2 & 3.

***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.

announcements...

- **HEADSETS** for improved hearing are available in the sound booth at the window side of the sanctuary.
- Anne Hagler is leading six weekly **SPIRITUAL RETREATS** on the theme *“Where is God?: Mindfulness for Today”* from 10:30am to noon on Tuesdays through April 16. All are welcome! Sign up on the insert in the Friendship pads or call the church office.
- **SESSION MEETING:** Sunday, March 17, 4:30pm in classroom C.
- **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.
- **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 Bank.
- **CARE MINISTRY** will present a session on **HEALTHY WAYS TO NAVIGATE GRIEF** with The Reverend Russell Belisle on March 24 immediately after worship in the sanctuary. Reverend Belisle is one of the chaplains deployed to congregations throughout the city for the purpose of discussing many important issues of health and well-being. (Light snacks will be provided.)
- **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—current needs are men's pants, men's casual shoes (all sizes), umbrellas, and hygiene items (toothpaste; toothbrushes; large combs and brushes, particularly those for detangling hair).

prayer concerns...

birthdays...

MARCH:

Robin Van Nortwick (20), John Gilmer (27)

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