

balmoral presbyterian church service of worship

March 4, 2018

The Third Sunday of Lent

11:00am

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

please turn your cell phones to silent

Choral Introit

“Jesus Give Us Strength”

Tony Alonzo

Chiming the Hour

Bells of Balmoral

Prelude

*Call to Worship

Clinton Bailey

ONE: “The Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before our God!”

ALL: The Lord is here! We will listen for God’s voice.

ONE: “In returning and rest you shall be saved.”

ALL: We will return to God’s Word and rest in the knowledge of salvation.

ONE: “In quietness and in confidence shall be your strength.”

ALL: We will be still and trust that God will speak the words we need to hear.

ONE: Let us worship our great God together!

*Hymn 412

“God, Reveal Your Presence”

ARNSBERG

Confession

Rev. Anne Hagler

All: O God, we confess that there is not much room for silence in our lives. We are hardly ever still or quiet. There are so many demands on our time and energy, that, often, the only time we rest is when we fall into bed at night. We forget that your Son modeled getting away from people and pressures by going to quiet places on a regular basis. Help us to remember that you care for us and want us to be centered, focused, and open-hearted. We can only be those things if we spend time with you: our parent, our redeemer, our guide. Teach us to follow Jesus’ example. Teach us how to be still enough to hear your voice, calm enough to see your face, open enough to sense your touch. In the name of your Son.

Keep a generous silence, and listen to your life.

Assurance

Rev. Anne Hagler

*Share the Peace of Christ

Clinton Bailey

*Congregational Chorus 753 v. 1 “Make Me A Channel of Your Peace” PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS

Make me a channel of your peace. Where there is hatred let me sow 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.**

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Where there is injury Your pardon, Lord, and where there’s doubt, true faith in You.

bpc mission statement

We will respond to our call to share bread with the hungry,
befriend the marginalized,
and engage our minds, talents and treasures
toward building a community reflective of God’s Kingdom.



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Announcements

Musical Offering

“He Comes to us As One Unknown”

Rev. Anne Hagler

arr. John Ferguson

Prayer for Illumination

Clinton Bailey

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

Scriptures

I Kings 19:1-18 & Mark 6:30-32

Rev. Anne Hagler

Sermon

“The Spiritual Discipline of Stillness”

Rev. Anne Hagler

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

Hymn 177

seated, prayerfully

“I Will Come to You ”

YOU ARE MINE

The Prayers of God’s People

Clinton Bailey

A Time for Offerings

Clinton Bailey

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 to help with rebuilding after the 2017 fires and hurricanes. 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

Communion

Rev. Anne Hagler, Lisa Koffman, Scott Hill, Susie Knight, Gordon Brigman

All are welcome to come forward when invited by the Ruling Elders. Communion will be served by Intinction. Take the bread and dip it into the cup, place the bread in your mouth. Return to your seat when your prayer together is ended.

*Hymn 169

“Dear Lord and Father of Mankind”

REST

*Charge and Blessing

Rev. Anne Hagler

*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.**



our worship has ended...our service begins...

announcements...

- **HEADSETS** for improved hearing are available in the sound booth at the window side of the sanctuary.
- This year during **LENT** we will be focusing on celebrating the Lenten Disciplines of Stillness, Service, Study, and for Holy Week, the discipline of Submission.
- Please plan to stay for the **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** on Sunday, March 18, 2017 immediately after worship. The 2018 Nominating Committee will present a slate of officers for the Session Class of 2021. Nominations will be taken from the floor and we will vote as a congregation to affirm the people who have been called by God to lead our congregation for the next three years.
- Palm Sunday is Sunday, March 25, 2018. On Maundy Thursday, March 29, 2018 at 7:00pm, we will welcome storyteller, Phyllis Blackstone, who will help us prepare our hearts for the coming of Easter on April 1, 2018.
- Rev. Meisterman will be on **PERSONAL LEAVE**. She will return to the office on Thursday, March 8, 2018. She will be caring for her mother who is recovering from knee surgery.
- **Rev. Anne Hagler** will be **ON CALL** through Wednesday, March 7, 2018 while Rev. Meisterman is away. You may reach Anne at **901-628-2014**.
- Reserve 10am to Noon on Saturday, March 10, 2018 for our **LENTEN RETREAT** in fellowship hall. Leiza Collins will lead the first hour with “HealthRHYTHMS” and Rev. Anne Hagler will guide us the second hour with ways we can focus on growing spiritually. Invite a friend and attend!
- **SIGN UP** to serve sorting food at the **MID-SOUTH FOOD BANK** on Thursday, March 15, 2018. Meet in the church parking lot at 5:30pm and have dinner together after the sort.
- **SIGN UP** to schedule a **CONVERSATION WITH PHARMACISTS** that will be at BPC on Sunday, March 18, 2018 beginning at 1:30pm. Our Congregational Care team has arranged for pharmacists to be available that Sunday afternoon to consult with anyone who would like to bring their medications and have a conversation with a pharmacist about them. They can advise on drug interactions, costs, and answer any questions you may have.
- **BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:** Robin Ashworth (4)