

The First Presbyterian Church in Pitman, NJ

The Third Sunday in Lent

Sunday, March 19, 2017 @ 10 AM – Rev. Paul Grenier

For Prayer & Contemplation

“The function of prayer is not to influence God, but rather to change the nature of the one who prays.” -*Søren Kierkegaard*

Welcome & Sharing Information Please sign the Fellowship Pad.

Prelude “Lamb of God, Pure and Sinless” - arr. Pachelbel

Call to Worship (*adapted from Psalm 95*)

One: Come, let us sing to the Lord; let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation!

All: Let us come into the Lord's presence with thanksgiving and praise; for our God formed the land and the sea and all the glories of the earth.

One: Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

All: For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

One: Dear Friends, harden not your hearts but listen for the voice of God.

All: We will be at peace with our neighbor and as one with our God.

***Hymn No. 182** “I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say”

Prayer of Renewal

Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Moment of Silence

Assurance of Forgiveness

***Hymn No. 584** “Glory, Glory, Glory”

“Glory, glory, glory, glory be to God on high! Glory, glory, glory, glory be to God on high! And on earth peace to all people in whom God is well pleased. And on earth peace to all people in whom God is well pleased.”

Passing of Peace

Anthem “I Want Jesus to Walk With Me” - arr. Larson
Sanctuary Choir

Time with Children (Dismissal to Sunday School)

Pastor: It is time for you to depart.

Adults: God be with you there.

Children: God be with you here.

Scripture Luke 18:9-14 (NT 81 / LP 99)

Sermon “Humbling Prayer” –*Rev. Paul Grenier*

Ordination & Installation of Church Officers

Presentation of Tithes/Offering

Offertory “Near the Cross” - arr. Smith
Edwin Mitchell, piano

***Doxology No. 606**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Unison Prayer of Dedication**

May our giving be a reflection of our souls and an example to others. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Andy Roesler, Toshi Jurkiewicz, Linda Waller, Allison Daminger, Lynda Ford, the family of Helen Taylor, Sharon Conley, Shirley Murphy, Douglas Hoffman, Michael Allen, John Tignor, Patricia Collins, Joyce Stewart, Phyllis Bullock-Beaufait, Dolores Cheesman and family, Ken Swain, Fred & Doris Oltmann, Gary Wriggins, Cathy Russo, Marie Roberts, Deborah McLaverty, Dot Clay, Glenn Raudenbush, Erin Fitzpatrick, Montana Lovelace-LaPierre

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

***Hymn No. 699** “Fill My Cup”

Benediction

Benediction Hymn No. 540 “Farewell, Good Friends!”
“Farewell, good friends! Farewell, good friends! Shalom, shalom. Till we meet again, till we meet again, shalom, shalom.”

Postlude “Lamb of God, Pure and Sinless” - arr. Petersen

**Please stand as you are able.*

Please be advised that our worship service is filmed from the balcony. Though the camera's focus is primarily on the chancel, there are wide shots that may include parts of the congregation sitting near the front.

Please promptly pick your children up from Sunday School at the conclusion of our worship service, and join us for coffee and fellowship in the Social Hall – all are welcome!



Thank you to our Worship Servers	
Acolyte	Cate Asztalos
Liturgist	Betsy Wriggins
Greeter	Vicki Downing
Ushers	Carol Schoepske, John Fitzpatrick, Sue LaPierre, Dave Nicastro
Tellers	Carol Schoepske, Terri Lovelace, John Fitzpatrick
Officer of the Month	Mike Jurkiewicz



Music Notes

Today's prelude is Baroque composer Johannes Pachelbel's setting of a Lenten hymn written in 1541 by Nikolaus Decius. The postlude was written by Lynn Petersen in 2012 and is also based on the same hymn. The anthem is Lloyd Larson's 2015 setting of an African American spiritual. We thank Edwin Mitchell and Dawn Jurkiewicz for sharing special music with us this morning.

Happy Birthday to You

- March 19 *Karla Langlois*
- March 20 *Madeline Enever*
- March 25 *Jennifer Russell*
- March 26 *Stephanie Lai*



MARCH

This Week's Calendar
March 19 to 26

Sunday 19	10 AM Worship 11:15 AM Sunshine Singers Practice 11:15 AM Christian Ed. Cmmte. – Up Kitchen
Monday 20	<i>Spring Begins</i>
Tuesday 21	
Wednesday 22	8 AM Trustees – Church Library 7 PM PNC – Memorial Lounge
Thursday 23	7 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal 8 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
Friday 24	
Saturday 25	3 PM RCs and Gilders by Alan Fisher (Youth Group Event) – Social Hall
Sunday 26	10 AM Worship 11:15 AM Sunshine Singers Practice 2 PM Congregational Life Sunday (Presbytery of West Jersey) – Presbyterian Church of Hammonton 5 PM Jazz Vespers – Christopher Davis-Shannon Trio – Sanctuary/Social Hall



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