

The First Presbyterian Church in Pitman, NJ
THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
Sunday, January 21, 2018 | 10 AM | Rev. Drew Harrison

For Prayer & Contemplation (Nahum 3:18-19)

'Your shepherds are asleep, O King of Assyria; your nobles slumber. Your people are scattered on the mountains with no one to gather them. There is no assuaging your hurt, your wound is mortal. All who hear the news about you clap their hands over you. For who has ever escaped your endless cruelty?'

Welcome & Sharing Information Please sign the Fellowship Pad.

Prelude "Now That the Daylight Fills the Sky..." - arr. Near

Call to Worship

One: Where can we turn when our lives are falling apart?
When we are overwhelmed and wearied,
Whom should we call?

**All: For God alone my soul waits in silence; from the Lord comes my salvation.
God alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall never be shaken.**

One: What do we do when we don't have the strength to carry on?
When we are battered and torn,
Worn out and exhausted,

**All: For God alone my soul waits in silence, for my hope is from the Lord.
God alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken.**

One: Who will deliver our world from the sins of its people?
Who will hear the cries of pain and answer them?
Who will satisfy the needs of the world?

**All: On God rests my deliverance and my honor; my mighty rock, my refuge is in God.
Trust in God at all times, O people;
Pour out your heart before him; God is a refuge for us.**

***Hymn No. 418** "Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling"

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God,
in baptism you promise forgiveness and new life,
making us part of the body of Christ.
We confess that we remain preoccupied with ourselves,
separated from sisters and brothers in Christ.
We cling to destructive habits, hold grudges,
and show reluctance to welcome one another;
we allow the past to hold us hostage.

In your loving kindness, have mercy on us,
and free us from sin.
Remind us of the promises you make in baptism
so that we may rise to new life,
and live together in grace.

Moment of Silence

Assurance of Forgiveness

***Hymn No. 583** "Glory to God"
"Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest! Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!"

Passing of Peace

Anthem "God Is My Strong Salvation" - arr. Lovelace – *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

First Reading: Mark 1:14-20 NT 35 LP 42

Second Reading: Jonah 3:1-10 OT 860-1 LP 1054

Sermon "Fish or Get Fished" –Rev. Drew Harrison

Prayer and Meditation

Invitation to Offering

Offertory "Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling" - arr. Cherwien

***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** (from the Worship Sourcebook)

Blessed are you, God of all creation;
through your goodness we have these gifts to share.
Accept and use our offerings for your glory
and for the service of your kingdom. Amen.

Minute for Mission Nancy Stewart

Deacon's Fund beneficiary for January, UrbanPromise

The Prayers of the People

Please contact the church office for a copy of the prayer list.

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. 39** "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Benediction

Benediction Hymn No. 545 "Lord, Bid Your Servant Go in Peace"
"Lord, bid your servant go in peace; your word is now fulfilled. These eyes have seen salvation's dawn, this child so long foretold. This is the Savior of the world, the Gentiles' promised light, God's glory dwelling in our midst, the joy of Israel."

Postlude "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" - arr. Carlson

***** **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.



Coffee Fellowship

Please join us in the Social Hall after the service for Coffee Hour! All adults and children are welcome.



Music Notes

Today's prelude comes from a collection called "Chantworks," and is contemporary composer Gerald Near's setting of an Ambrosian chant from the 5th or 6th century. The postlude is local composer Rev. J. Bert Carlson's 2001 arrangement of the hymn tune "Faithfulness" by William M. Runyan. Rev. Carlson served as a Lutheran pastor for several parishes in PA and NJ, including St. Matthew's in Moorestown for many years. He was an accomplished musician and published composer.

Ushers & Greeters



Thank you to our Worship Servers	
Liturgist	Connie Bradley
Greeter	Peggy Price
Ushers	Sue LaPierre, Dave Nicastro, Vicki Downing, Jeff Downing
Tellers	Jeff Downing, Nancy Stewart, Vicki Downing



This Week's Birthdays

January 21	Carly Lovelace
January 21	Jackson Riggs
January 24	Doris Ducat
January 25	Erin Fitzpatrick
January 28	Janet Burke
<i>May God bless you on your birthday.</i>	



This Week's Calendar | January 21-28

<i>Sunday</i> January 21	10 AM Worship 11:15 AM Sunshine Singers Practice 11:15 AM Christian Ed. Meeting – Upstairs Kitchen 11:15 AM New Members' Class – Social Hall
<i>Monday</i> January 22	6:15 PM Liturgical Music Mtg. – Upstairs Kitchen 7 PM Worship Committee Mtg. – Upstairs Kitchen
<i>Tuesday</i> January 23	7:15 PM Stephen Ministry – Upstairs Kitchen
<i>Wednesday</i> January 24	8 AM Trustees – Upstairs Kitchen
<i>Thursday</i> January 25	7 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal 8 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
<i>Friday</i> January 26	
<i>Saturday</i> January 27	
<i>Sunday</i> January 28	10 AM Worship 11:15 AM Sunshine Singers Practice 11:30 AM Family Promise Volunteer Training – SH 5 PM Jazz Vespers – Sanctuary/Reception in SH

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Communion on the first Sunday of the month
Sunday School every week, 10:20-11:05 AM

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