

The First Presbyterian Church in Pitman, NJ

2nd Sunday in Lent

Sunday, March 8, 2020 • 10 AM • Rev. Drew Harrison

For Prayer and Contemplation

“Mother, my little heart, in truth we are each responsible to all for all, it’s only that men don’t know this. If they knew it, the world would be a paradise at once?”- Elder Zossima from *The Brothers Karamazov*, Fyodor Dostoevsky

Welcome & Sharing Information Please sign the Fellowship Pad.

Prelude “Let Us Ever Walk With Jesus” - arr. Powell

Call to Worship (by Bruce Prewer)

One: Our purpose is awesome: Let us worship God.

All: **God is in the holy temple: Let all the earth keep silence.**

One: We do not come before God like frightened supplicants, but as those who are confident that they are wonderfully loved.

All: **Our high priest is Jesus, tempted as we are yet without sin, who is able to sympathize with our human weaknesses.**

One: Let us then boldly draw near to the throne of grace, that we may be welcomed with mercy and obtain assistance in every moment of need.

*Hymn No. 421 “Have Mercy Upon My Life”

Prayer of Confession (*The Worship Sourcebook*)

Almighty God,
you despise nothing you have made,
and you forgive the sins of all who are penitent.
Create in us new and contrite hearts,
that, truly repenting of our sins
and acknowledging our brokenness,
we may obtain from you, the God of all mercy,
full pardon and forgiveness,
through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Redeemer,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.

Moment of Silence

Words of Assurance (*Psalm 37:23-24*)

One: Our steps are made firm by the Lord, when God delights in our way;
Though we stumble, we shall not fall headlong,
for the Lord holds us by the hand.

All: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!**

*Hymn No. 646 “Sing Out, My Soul”

Sing out, my soul. Sing out, my soul. Sing out and glorify the Lord who sets us free. Sing out, my soul. Sing out, my soul. Sing out and glorify the Lord God!

Passing of Peace

One: May the Peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Anthem *Sanctuary Choir*

“I Cried All Night Long” - African American spiritual, arr. White

Time with Children (Dismissal to Sunday School)

(*Children will return during final hymn.*)

Pastor: It is time for you to depart.

Adults: **God be with you there.**

Children: **God be with you here.**

Scripture

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| 1. Ezra 9:5-9 | OT 428 | LP 530 |
| 2. Psalm 51:1-19 | OT 520-1 | LP 640-1 |

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon “Little Things: Confession” - Rev. Drew Harrison

Lament in Lent *Mental Health & Suicide*

Hymn No. 471 “O Lord, Hear My Prayer”

O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, answer me. O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me. (sung 3x)

Invitation to Offering

Offertory “My Shepherd, You Supply My Need” - arr. Petersen

*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

Faithful God, we are more than grateful for what you’ve given us. Accept our offerings as tokens of thanks and teach us to be as generous as you are. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

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.

Library Dedication & Prayer

*Hymn No. 418 “Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling”

*Benediction

*Benediction Hymn No. 448 “Peace of God Be with You”
Peace of God be with you. Peace of God be with you. Sa-laam, sa-laam. Peace of God be with you.

Postlude “Versets for the Kyrie” - Boely

***** *Please stand as you are able.* *****



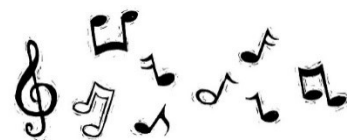
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<i>Thank you to our Worship Servers</i>	
Greeter	Joan Wagner
Liturgist	Dave Nicastro
Ushers	Bev Donofrio, Mildred Haines, Carol Schoepske, John Fitzpatrick
Tellers	Carol Schoepske, Terri Lovelace, John Fitzpatrick
Coffee Hr. Hosts	Property Committee

<i>This Week's Calendar</i> March 8-15	
<i>Sunday</i> March 8	10 AM Worship 11:15 AM Sunshine Singers Practice – Music Room
<i>Monday</i> March 9	7 PM Property Committee – Church Library 7 PM Reading of the Book of Esther – Congregation B'Nai Tikveh Beth Israel, Sewell
<i>Tuesday</i> March 10	7 PM Invitation & Outreach – Memorial Lounge
<i>Wednesday</i> March 11	
<i>Thursday</i> March 12	7 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal 8 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal 8 PM Men's Bible Study – Church Library
<i>Friday</i> March 13	7 PM Theology on Tap – Human Village Brewing Co., Pitman
<i>Saturday</i> March 14	9:30 AM PW Core Board Mtg. – Upstairs Kitchen 11 AM Kitchen Meeting – Social Hall (Please note new date/time)
<i>Sunday</i> March 15	10 AM Worship 11:15 AM Sunshine Singers Practice – Music Room 11:15 AM Christian Ed. Committee – Upstairs Kitchen





Music Notes

Today's prelude is Robert Powell's 2013 arrangement of an 18th century German hymn tune. The offertory is Lynn Petersen's 2008 setting of the folk hymn tune, "Resignation." Ms. Petersen holds a PhD in Music Theory and Composition from the University of Minnesota, and she recently completed a sabbatical in jazz studies at Washington State University. The postlude is by French composer and organist Alexandre Boely (1785-1858). We thank the Sanctuary Choir for sharing special music with us this morning.

<i>This Week's Birthdays</i>	
March 10	Matthew Gerace
March 12	Glenn Raudenbush
March 13	John Wallace
March 13	Jessica Scanlon
March 13	Darlene Jacobson
March 14	Torey Langlois
March 14	Patty Januszewski

Sunday Worship Service @ 10 AM

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