



Glendale Presbyterian Church



November 26, 2023 | 10 AM
Christ the King Sunday

Reformed worship is centered around the Word, both the Word of scripture and Christ as the Word Incarnate. In worship we gather around the Word, engage with the Word, and respond to the Word.

Bold text is read by the congregation.

*Please rise in body or in spirit.

You may access the online order of worship to follow along on any digital device:



In the presence of a holy God, we become aware of the ways we fall short of God's best hopes for us, and the ways we have hurt others. We turn to God in prayer, asking for forgiveness.

Passing of the Peace is one of the most ancient responses in worship. We invite you to share a sign of peace with your neighbor.

+ At this time children are invited to come forward to the front pew for conversation around our texts for the week.

Following "Opening the Word with Young Disciples" children are invited to join our Sunday School Teacher in the back of the sanctuary to go to Sunday School downstairs.

Gather

Welcome & Announcements | Guest Preacher Rev. Carol DeVaughan

Prelude | "Bist du bei mir" (Be Thou Near Me) J.S. Bach | Carol Schmidt

*Call to Worship | From Psalm 95 | Liturgist

One: O come, let us sing to the Lord.

Many: Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

One: For the Lord is a great God,

Many: a great ruler over heaven and earth.

Unison Prayer for the Day

God of majesty, you love us with an everlasting love and show us the way to justice and peace. In Jesus Christ you have reconciled the whole world to you and claimed us as your own, that we may live as his body on earth and, with all the saints, enter into your glory on the last day. Amen.

*Hymn | GTG #267 | "Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

Call to Confession | Liturgist

Unison Prayer of Confession

Sovereign God, we confess that we are not ready for your holy realm. You guide us toward right paths, but we refuse to follow where you lead. You love and feed and care for us, but we fail to love and serve others. Forgive us, merciful God, so that we may return to your fold and rejoice in your presence; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the Lamb upon the throne.

Silence for personal confession

Assurance of Forgiveness | Rev. Carol DeVaughan

*Passing of the Peace | Rev. Carol DeVaughan

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Anthem | Come, Let Us Worship the King, Words and music by Karen Crane and Douglas Nolan | Chancel Choir

Proclaim God's Word

+Opening the Word with Young Disciples | Rev. Carol DeVaughan

Prayer for Illumination | Liturgist

Scripture | Epistle - Ephesians 1:15-23 | Gospel - Matthew 25:31-46

Sermon | "Lord, When Did We See You?" | Rev. Carol DeVaughan

Respond to God's Word

* Hymn | GTG #186 | "Come Now, You Blessed"

Pastoral Prayer | Rev. Carol DeVaughan
(Response: God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.)

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.

Words of Offering | Liturgist

*Doxology | GTG #582 | "Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me"

Unison Prayer of Dedication

Holy God, use us and our gifts to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, and honor your presence in all people; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Hymn | GTG #727 | "Servant Song"

*Blessing and Benediction | Rev. Carol DeVaughan

Postlude | "Hornpipe", George Frederick Handel | Carol Schmidt

Tithes and offerings may be left in the offering plate. Those who prefer to donate electronically are invited to donate through our church website:



Our congregation has a practice of staying seated for the duration of the postlude.

Our worship does not end with the postlude, but continues out into the world, where we are sent to love and care for God's people.

267 Come, Christians, Join to Sing

1 Come, Chris - tians, join to sing: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 2 Come, lift your hearts on high: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 3 Praise yet our Christ a - gain: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

Loud praise to Christ our King: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 Let prais - es fill the sky: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 Life shall not end the strain: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

Let all, with heart and voice, be - fore his throne re - joice;
 He is our guide and friend; to us he'll con - de - scend;
 On heav - en's bliss - ful shore his good - ness we'll a - dore,

praise is his gra - cious choice: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 his love shall nev - er end: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 sing - ing for - ev - er - more: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

Like many other hymns of praise, this text was originally addressed to children but has been embraced by adults as well. Although the tune's repetitive elements suggest folk origins (possibly with alternating groups of singers), no specific source has been identified.

186 Come Now, You Blessed, Eat at My Table



1 "Come now, you bless - ed, eat at my ta - ble," said Je - sus
 2 When did we see you hun - gry or thirst - y? When were you
 3 "When you gave bread to earth's hun - gry chil - dren, when you gave
 4 Christ, when we see you out on life's road - ways, look - ing to



Christ to the righ - teous a - bove. "When I was hun - gry, thirst - y, and
 home - less, a strang - er a - lone? When did we see you sick or in
 shel - ter to war's ref - u - gees, when you re - mem - bered those most for -
 us in the fac - es of need, then may we know you, wel - come, and




home - less, sick and in pris - on, you showed me your love."
 pris - on? What have we done that you call us your own?
 got - ten, you cared for me in the small - est of these."
 show you love that is faith - ful in word and in deed.

This text reproduces Matthew 25:34–39 so faithfully that it can appropriately be regarded as a paraphrase of that passage; but like all effective paraphrases, it adds just enough detail to give the familiar language a sense of freshness and immediacy that helps us hear it anew.

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Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Capo 3: (G) (D) (G) (D) (G) (D) (Em) (D)
 B^b F B^b F B^b F Gm F




1 Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,
 2 World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

(D) (G) (C) (G) (Em7) (A7)
 F B^b E^b B^b Gm7 C7




and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,
 World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

(A7) (D) (F#) (Bm)
 C7 F A Dm



and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.
 World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

(Bm7) (D) (Bdim7) (Em7) (Dm)(A7) (D)
 Dm7 F Ddim7 Gm7 Fm C7 F



As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men.

Will You Let Me Be Your Servant 727

The Servant Song

1, 6 Will you let me be your ser - vant, let me
 2 We are pil - grims on a jour - ney; we're to -
 3 I will hold the Christ - light for you in the
 4 I will weep when you are weep - ing; when you shall
 5 When we sing to God in heav - en, we shall

be as Christ to you? Pray that I may have the
 geth - er on the road. We are here to help each
 night - time of your fear. I will hold my hand out
 laugh I'll laugh with you. I will share your joy and
 find such har - mo - ny, born of all we've known to -

grace to let you be my ser - vant too.
 oth - er walk the mile and bear the load.
 to you, speak the peace you long to hear.
 sor - row till we've seen this jour - ney through.
 geth - er of Christ's love and ag - o - ny.
 (repeat stanza 1)

The opening and closing stanza expresses the essence of this folk-style song about the mutuality of servant ministry: those who serve must also be willing to be served. This is what Christ intended when he commanded the disciples to "wash one another's feet" (John 13:14).

Prayer Requests

Healing and Wholeness

Continued prayers for Randy's brother, Buddy, as he participates in a new clinical trial to treat brain cancer. Continued prayers for Joan's granddaughter, Ellen, and for her Aunt Joan.

Announcements

Have a question about an event? An announcement to share? Contact the church office at 314-822-2545 or by e-mail to glendalepres@gmail.com

Welcome to our Guest Pastor

While Pastor Kathleen is on vacation, Rev. Carol DeVaughan has graciously agreed to serve in the pulpit today. Rev. Carol DeVaughan, HR, graduated from Eden Theological Seminary, St. Louis, and was ordained to a call to Cedar Hill, later Hillside Presbyterian, where she served for almost 18 years. Since "retirement" Carol has served short-term in several congregations, filling in for pastors on sabbatical, Bridge between pastors, or as Interim. Carol has been active in Presbytery, serving with CPM and COM, and served as Presbytery Moderator in 2009. She served as the co-Moderator and organizer for Giddings-Lovejoy hosting General Assembly in 2018. Since "recovering" from GA, she has been again in several churches as Interim, bridge pastor, and pulpit supply, most recently as Interim for 2 ½ years at John Knox, Florissant, and filling at St. Mark, Ballwin, during Pastor's sabbatical.

Mark Your Calendar

On Sunday, December 17 we will be joining Webster Groves Presbyterian Church for 9:30 a.m. worship. Our choirs will join together for a special Christmas Cantata service.

Coffee Shop Office Hours

Pastor Kathleen's coffee shop hours this week will be at St. Louis Bread Co in Kirkwood, Wednesday 1-3 pm.

Presbyterian Women

GPC's Presbyterian Women invite you to join them for a fun and relaxing lunch before the holiday season shifts into high gear. You don't have to buy a gift or cook anything! We're getting together for food and fellowship and to show our appreciation for GPC's amazing staff.

Date: Tuesday, December 5

Time: 11:30 a.m.

Place: Sunny Street Cafe
11692 Manchester Rd., Des Peres, MO

RSVP: Jan Nolan / 314-821-5574

Webster-Rock Hill Ministries

GPC is again partnering with Webster-Rock Hill Ministries to adopt a family (or families) this Christmas.

Liturgical Arts has set up a Christmas tree with gift tags of suggested gifts at the church's entry. You are welcome to take a tag (or several tags). All gifts must be turned in to the church by Tuesday, Dec. 5. Gifts will be collected in the library (across from the nursery).

Gifts must be wrapped and labeled with the recipient's first name.

WRHM suggests that we consider purchasing one gift per family member, valued at approximately \$25 per gift.

If you prefer to make a financial donation to support the WRHM Christmas program, you may do so by visiting the Webster-Rock Hill Ministries website and selecting the "donate" button from the homepage. Please enter "holiday programs" in the note section and notify Matt Krob so your gift can be recorded.

Welcome

Welcome to Glendale Presbyterian Church! We are glad to have you join us for worship. If you are new to GPC, it is our prayer that you will experience the presence of God while you are here. At GPC, we share God's love through our work and play in our church and community.

Children & Worship

Children are always welcome in worship. The "Prayer Ground" is located in the front of the sanctuary where children are welcome to sit as is most comfortable to them and to engage with the materials up there throughout the service. In addition, the nursery is available for use by small children and their grown-ups near the Parking Lot Entry to the church. During the school year, children are invited to attend Sunday School following "Opening the Word with Young Disciples."

Worship Bags

All ages are invited to pick up a GPC worship bag in the Narthex (back of the sanctuary) that has items to be utilized to enhance their worship experience.

New Members

New members are received by the Session. If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to join the GPC family. Please contact Pastor Kathleen at 314-944-3334 or pastorhenrion@gmail.com for further information.

Prayer Request Cards

Blue prayer request cards are available upon entry to the building, as well as in pews. Please use them to note any joys or concerns you wish to have lifted in prayer. Place your prayer request card in the basket at either entrance to the Sanctuary before worship begins. If you need to fill it out during the beginning of worship, feel free to drop your prayer requests in the basket during the first hymn. The cards will be shared with the congregation, in worship, on the video of worship, and in the newsletter unless otherwise requested on the card.

Pastoral Care

To notify the church of illnesses, hospitalizations, or deaths; or to pass along a prayer request; or to arrange for Home Communion, Please contact the church office at 314-822-2545 or by e-mail to glendalepres@gmail.com or you are welcome to contact Kathleen directly via call or text at 314-944-3334. Or by email at pastorhenrion@gmail.com

Serving the Church

Interested in serving the church in some way? Contact the church office at 314-822-2545 or by e-mail to glendalepres@gmail.com and we'd love to connect you.

Sunday, November 26, 2023

Liturgist | Katie Niesen Cook
Song Leader | Katie Niesen Cook
Usher | Leslen Sanders, Caroline Krob
Greeter | Leslen Sanders
Online Host | Paige Stroud
Sunday School | Matt Krob
Fellowship | Jan Nolan
Counters | Terry Ulmer, Vicki Sorrells
Music Director | Carol Schmidt
Guest Pastor | Rev. Carol DeVaughan

Sunday, December 3, 2023

Liturgist | Paige Stroud
Song Leader | Peggy Mayfield
Usher | Jan Nolan, Leslen Sanders
Greeter | Kathy Foresman
Online Host | Sonia Kesselring
Communion | Paige Stroud
Fellowship | Carol Cook
Counters | Bob Bidstrup, Shawn Anderson
Music Director | Carol Schmidt
Pastor | Rev. Kathleen Henrion



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