

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.

Glendale Presbyterian Church

February 4, 2024 | 10 AM Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Welcome & Announcements | Rev. Kathleen Henrion

Prelude | Adagio for Strings, Samuel Barber (Piano arr. by Lawrence Rosen) | Carol Schmidt

*Call to Worship | Liturgist

One: We gather to worship God, whose creative imagination never fails:

All: For the sake of God, we will search for the outcasts.

One: We gather to praise our God, whose steadfast love never weakens:

All: For the sake of Jesus, we will lift up all who have fallen.

One: We gather to offer our best to God, who walks with us through eternity:

All: For the sake of the Holy Spirit, we will walk with the weary.

*Hymn | Congregational Choice

Call to Confession | Liturgist

Prayer of Confession

We cannot hide from you, Everlasting God, even if we were to go from one edge of creation to the next. You speak to us of compassion, but the ways in which we treat others show we have not been listening. You explain your hopes to us, and we act as if we don't have a clue as to what is going on. We run as fast, and as far, from you as we can, and wonder why we have no energy to follow Jesus. Yet you search for us in all the deserted places we flee to, Never-wearied God, so you can take us by the hand to show us the way to life with you. You heal our broken hearts so we can offer them to others. You fill us with your strength so we can bind ourselves to Jesus, our Savior, following him to serve all of your children.

Assurance of Forgiveness

One: Have you not been listening? God never tires out, nor is there is an expiration date on God's forgiveness. God is ever with us, healing us with mercy, and strengthening us for service.

All: If God numbers the stars, surely our names are known by the One who loves us and offers us grace. This is indeed good news for all! Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Passing of the Peace

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Anthem | We See Christ, Joel Raney | Chancel Choir

Proclaim God's Word

Prayer for Illumination | Liturgist

+Opening the Word with Young Disciples | Sue Van Patten

Hymn | GTG #455 | Listen to the Word that God Has Spoken

Scripture | Isaiah 40:21-31 and Mark 1:29-39

455

Listen to the Word That God Has Spoken



May be sung as a round, successive voices entering ad lib.

Like "Open Your Ears, O Faithful People" (see no. 453), this short song from Canada is an encouragement to pay attention to what God is saying. The significance of the text is enhanced by singing this piece as a round, allowing the overlapping phrases to yield a single message.

LISTEN

10.10.11.10

TEXT: Anon. Canadian, alt.
MUSIC: Anon. Canadian; adapt. Church Hymnary, 4th Edition, 2005

Respond to god's Word

* Hymn | GTG #840 | When Peace like a River (It Is Well with My Soul)

Affirmation of Faith | Selection from A Brief Statement of Faith

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

Words of Offering | Liturgist

Prayer of Dedication | Rev. Kathleen Henrion

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

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving
One: May God be with you. **All: May God be also with you.**

One: People of God, open your hearts.

All: We open our hearts to God and to each other.

One: Let us give thanks to the Living God.

All: With joy and praise, we offer our thanks to the One who offers abundant life. One: In the morning, Awakening God,... we lift our praises to you now and forever:

All: Holy, holy are you, God of all knowledge. All creation sings glad praises to you. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is the One who came for our sake. Hosanna in the highest!

One: Holy are you, Star Namer,... may we find that mystery we call faith:

All: Christ died, not boasting in himself;

Christ was raised, the gospel lived out in him;

Christ will come to take us by the hand, giving us strength.

One: Here is that Bread, which though broken,... God in Community, Holy in One. Amen.

Prayers of the People | Rev. Kathleen Henrion

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.

Communion of the People

*Hymn | GTG #475 | Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

*Blessing and Benediction | Rev. Kathleen Henrion

Postlude | From a Distance, Julie Gold | Carol Schmidt

Some Liturgies come from Thom M. Shuman's Lectionary Liturgies: http://lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.com/

The Brief Statement of Confession was written in 1983 at the unification of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America and the Presbyterian Church in the United States.

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



For communion, ushers will invite the back row on the Sappington side first. When all on that side have come forward, ushers will continue on the courtyard side, starting with the back row again. It is our practice to take the elements back to our seats, and eat and drink together after all have been served. If you are unable to come forward, the elements will be brought to you where you are seated.

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.

840 When Peace like a River



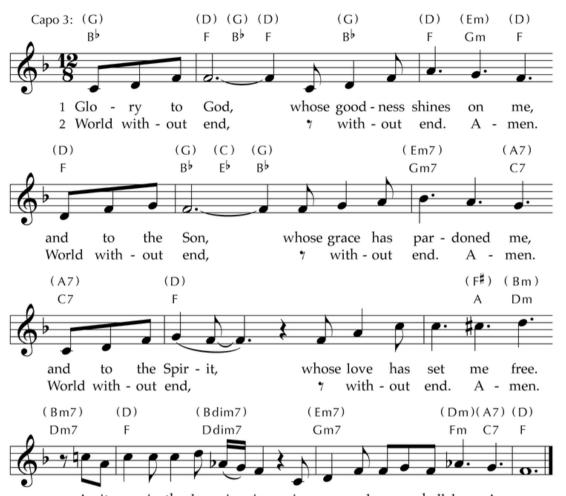
This text is a remarkable expression of faith born of grief. The author, an active Presbyterian layman who had just lost four daughters in a tragic shipwreck, wrote it while sailing to Paris to meet his wife, who had survived. The tune was named for the ship that sank.

TRUSTING IN THE PROMISES OF GOD



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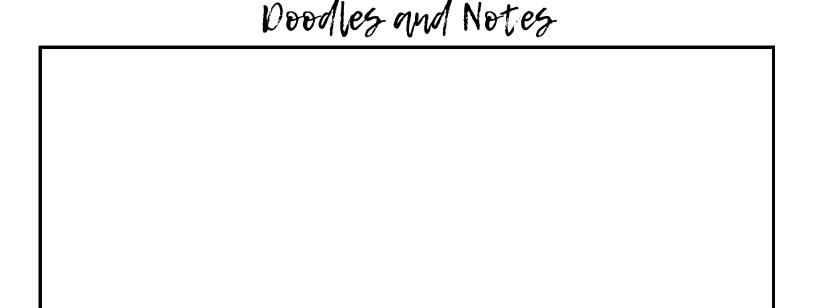
Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me



Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing 475



Written for Pentecost by a British Baptist pastor, this text is full of biblical terms like "Ebenezer" (1 Samuel 7:12), Hebrew for "a stone of help" set up to give thanks for God's assistance. The tune name honors hymnal compiler Asahel Nettleton, who probably did not compose it.



Prayer Requests

Healing and Wholeness

Continued prayers for Randy's brother, Buddy, who is in hospice care. 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

Congregational Meeting Today after worship!

Don't forget to stay after worship for the annual meeting.

Caroline Krob's Confirmation!

Caroline will be confirmed and join our church as a new member on **Sunday, Feb. 11th.** Be sure to attend to give her our support as she takes this exciting step!

Coffee Shop Office Hours

Pastor Kathleen's coffee shop hours this week will be at St. Louis Bread Co in Kirkwood, Wednesday, 2/7 from 1-3 pm.

Please join us for our Ash Wednesday service, February 14th at 7 p.m.

Save the Date: Concert

On Monday, Feb. 19, 6:30 p.m. GPC will be hosting singer-songwriters <u>Spencer LaJoye</u> and <u>Sadie Gustafson-Zook</u> for a concert. Please be sure to attend! Admission is a suggested donation of \$10-\$20.

Coming Soon: Lent!

The sermon series for Lent is all about Jesus, with the theme "Who Do You Say That I Am?" Liturgical Arts is collecting images of Jesus, as well as picture frames for a Lenten art installation. We're interested in images you already have, or if you are so inclined, images you create! Items should be placed on the table in the small conference room (206). Please be sure to put your name on the back of any items you would like returned after Lent. While we hope to include as many items as possible, depending on what we receive we might need to curate what is displayed.

PC(USA)/GPC "101" Class February 25 and March 2, after worship

For those of you interested in joining church, or just learning more about GPC, and the PC(USA) as a whole, we invite you to attend two Sunday learning sessions. Don't miss this unique learning opportunity. Everyone is welcome!

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 glendalepresegmail.com or you are welcome to contact Kathleen directly via call or text at 314-944-3334. Or by email at pastorhenrionegmail.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 glendalepresegmail.com and we'd love to connect you.

Sunday, February 4, 2024
Liturgist | Martha Keeley
Song Leader | Peggy Mayfield
Usher | Debbie Rose
Greeter | Jan Nolan
Online Host | Sonia Kesselring
Communion | Kathy Foresman
Counters | Peggy Mayfield, Vicki Sorrells
Music Director | Carol Schmidt
Pastor | Rev. Kathleen Henrion

Sunday, February 11, 2024
Liturgist | Katie Niesen Cook
Song Leader | Katie Niesen Cook
Usher | Elaine Bidstrup
Greeter | Kathy Foresman
Online Host | Steve Chamberlin
Sunday School | Mary Beth Garasky
Fellowship | Jan Nolan
Counters | Terry Ulmer, Bob Bidstrup
Music Director | Carol Schmidt
Pastor | Rev. Kathleen Henrion

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Glendale Presbyterian Church is a member of the Presbytery of Giddings-Lovejoy (glpby.org), the Synod of Mid America (synodma.org), and the Presbyterian Church (USA) (pcusa.org). We are members of the Covenant Network, which is working toward a fully inclusive church.