



Glendale Presbyterian Church



April 7, 2024 | 10 AM
Guest Preacher: Rev. Christi Tennyson

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 young and young at heart are invited to come forward to the front pew for conversation around our texts for the week.

Gather

Welcome & Announcements | Rev. Christi Tennyson

Prelude | "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star" English Lullaby, Arr. Dave Catney | Carol Schmidt

*Call to Worship | Liturgist

One: The Word of life spoke:

All: so we could hear the 'Alleluias!' of the angels.

One: The Word of life reached out:

All: so we could touch the hope which heals us.

One: The Word of life walked out of death's dread tomb:

All: so we could follow him into life forever.

*Hymn | GTG #393 | Day of Rest & Gladness

Call to Confession | Liturgist

Prayer of Confession

We use a lot of words, Gracious God, but do little to turn them into deeds. Instead of being of one heart and soul, we choose sides and form groups of folks just like us. Blessed with great grace, we have trouble sharing it with those who need it the most.

Forgive us, God of love. Forgive us, as we step out of our shadows into your light. Restore us, as we reveal our brokenness. Hear us, as we proclaim Jesus Christ as our Lord and our God.

Assurance of Forgiveness

One: This is the good news we have to declare: God leads us out of the shadows to walk in the light of Christ.

All: This is the word we have heard: our faithful God forgives our sins and raises us to new life. Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Passing of the Peace

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Anthem | Holy Manna, Music: Joel Raney. Words: George Atkins | Chancel Choir

Proclaim God's Word

Prayer for Illumination | Liturgist

+Moment for Wonder | Sue Van Patten

Hymn | GTG #817 | We Walk by Faith and Not By Sight

Scripture | Isaiah 65:17-25 and John 20:19-31

Sermon | "Doubting Thomas" | Rev. Christi Tennyson

393 O Day of Rest and Gladness

1 O day of rest and glad - ness, O day of joy and light,
2 On you, at earth's cre - a - tion the light first had its birth;
3 On you, God's peo - ple, meet - ing, the Ho - ly Scrip-ure hear,

O balm for care and sad - ness, most beau - ti - ful, most bright;
on you, for our sal - va - tion Christ rose from depths of earth;
Christ's liv - ing pres - ence greet - ing, through bread and wine made near.

on you, the high and low - ly, through a - ges joined in tune,
on you, our Lord vic - to - rious sent Spir - it forth from heaven.
New grac - es ev - er gain - ing from this our day of rest,

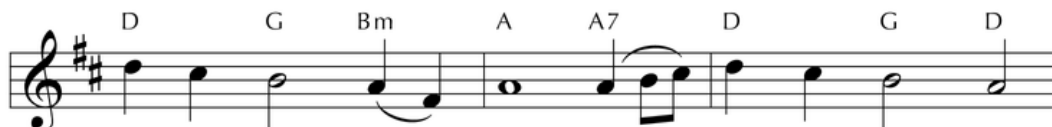
sing "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly" to the great God tri - une.
And thus on you, most glo - rious, a tri - ple light was given.
we reach the rest re - main - ing to spir - its of the blest.

In this text the first day of the week represents a threefold commemoration of Creation, Resurrection, and Pentecost—each an encounter with Trinitarian activity centered on one of the Three Persons. The tune name recalls the secular German song adapted for use with several hymns.

817 We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight



1 We walk by faith and not by sight; with
 2 We may not touch your hands and side, nor
 3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; and
 4 And when our life of faith is done, in



gra - cious words draw near, O Christ, who spoke as
 fol - low where you trod; but in your prom - ise
 may our faith a - bound to call on you when
 realms of clear - er light may we be - hold you



none e'er spoke: "My peace be with you here."
 we re - jice and cry, "My Lord and God!"
 you are near and seek where you are found.
 as you are, with full and end - less sight.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

The opening line here is essentially a quotation of 2 Corinthians 5:7, but that affirmation is fleshed out by references to the appearance of the risen Christ to Thomas (John 20:19–29). The shape note tune, named for a stream in Fayette County, Pennsylvania, adds resolution to the words.

Respond to God's Word

*Hymn | GTG #256 | These Things Did Thomas Count as Real

*Affirmation of Faith | The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Words of Offering | Liturgist

Prayer of Dedication | Rev. Christi Tennyson

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

Prayers of the People | Rev. Christi Tennyson

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 | GTG #546 | Lord Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

*Blessing and Benediction | Rev. Christi Tennyson

Postlude | All Good Gifts, (Godspell) Stephen Schwartz | Carol Schmidt

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

The Apostles' Creeds from the ancient church comes as close as any other confessional statements to expressing the faith of all Christians, of all traditions, throughout church history.

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.

256 These Things Did Thomas Count as Real

1 These things did Thom - as count as real: the warmth of
 2 The vi - sion of his skept - tic mind was keen e -
 3 His rea - soned cer - tain - ties de - nied that one could
 4 May we, O God, by grace be - lieve and thus the

blood, the chill of steel, the grain of wood, the heft of
 nough to make him blind to an - y un - ex - pect - ed
 live when one had died, un - til his fin - gers read like
 ris - en Christ re - ceive, whose raw im - print - ed hands reached

stone, the last frail twitch of blood and bone.
 act too large for his small world of fact.
 Braille the mark - ings of the spear and nail.
 out and beck - oned Thom - as from his doubt.

This 20th-century text provides a helpful corrective to a long history of negative attitudes toward Thomas for failing to believe the other disciples' report that Christ had risen. His fact-seeking "skeptical mind" sounds remarkably modern and makes him a more sympathetic figure.

582

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.

546 Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

1 Lord, dis - miss us with your bless - ing; fill our hearts with
 2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion for your gos - pel's
 3 Sav - ior, when your love shall call us, from our strug - gling

joy and peace; let us each, your love pos - sess - ing,
 joy - ful sound; may the fruits of your sal - va - tion
 pil - grim way, let no fear of death ap - pall us,

tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace. O re - fresh us,
 in our hearts and lives a - bound. Ev - er faith - ful,
 glad your sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er,

O re - fresh us, trav - eling through this wil - der - ness.
 ev - er faith - ful to your truth may we be found.
 may we ev - er reign with you in end - less day.

This hymn of corporate benediction is one of several using the same first line. It was written by a Baptist pastor who dedicated his entire ministry to a small church in rural Yorkshire. The tune used here was first transcribed from Sicilian sailors in the late 18th century.

Notes and Doodles

Prayer Requests

Healing and Wholeness

Prayers for Deb Rose's daughter Chelsey's father-in-law.
Prayers for Peggy Mayfield as she goes through medical tests this week.
Continued prayers for Joan's granddaughter, Ellen, and for her Aunt Joan.

Joy, Celebration, and Thanks

Happy Birthday to Clarice Fleming today!
Randy and Hae Jeong want to thank everyone for prayers and support the past two years while Buddy was going through cancer treatment and hospice care.

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

Guest Preacher

Welcome to today's guest Pastor, Christi Tennyson! The Reverend Tennyson serves as Senior Development Officer at Presbyterian Children's Homes and Services (PCHAS) where she maximizes philanthropic support for the organization's mission of providing Christ-centered care and support to children and families in need.

Flipping for Per Capita

Sunday, April 14th will be "Flip for Per Capita Day". Pancakes and sausage will be served during Fellowship Time on that Sunday. This is a good time to pay your Per Capita of \$36 per member or celebrate that you have already paid it. It is a sweet deal either way!

Coffee Shop Office Hours

Pastor Kathleen's coffee shop hours this week will be at St. Louis Bread Co in Kirkwood, Wednesday, 4/10 from 1-3 pm.

Building and Grounds

Grubby Saturday will be April 13th. Work time will be between 9:00 and 2:00, whenever it works for you. Lunch will be provided. A sign up sheet for jobs and lunch will be posted soon!

If you see a job that needs to be done, have a job in mind you would like to work on, have a special talent you would like to use please let Leslen know.

We will be looking for :

window cleaners, gardeners, mulchers, rakers, servers of lunch, bush trimmers, cookie bakers.

Fellowship

Do you enjoy snacking and visiting with other church members and friends after worship? Then consider bringing a snack to share for fellowship time. Your contribution does not need to be home-made! Anything simple is appreciated!

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. Most Sundays 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, April 7, 2024

Liturgist | Beth Ford
Song Leader | Tom Barclay
Usher |
Greeter | Jan Nolan
Online Host | Katie Niesen Cook
Fellowship | Jan Nolan
Counters | Vicki Sorrells, Peggy Mayfield
Music Director | Carol Schmidt
Guest Preacher | Rev. Christi Tennyson

Sunday, April 14, 2024

Liturgist | Bob Bidstrup
Song Leader | Paige Stroud
Ushers | Elaine Bidstrup
Greeter | Caroline Chamberlin
Online Host | Sonia Kesselring
Sunday School | Chamberlins
Counters | Bob Bidstrup, Terry Ulmer
Music Director | Carol Schmidt
Pastor | Rev. Kathleen Henrion



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