

Doylestown Presbyterian Church
First Sunday in Lent
February 18, 2024 – 8:30 am
Rev. Dr. Tom Kort, preaching;
Rev. Becca Bateman, assisting

The Chimes

Words of Welcome

Prelude

When Thou Art Near

J.S. Bach

Call to Worship

Shout to the Lord. **God hears us.**

Cry out to the Lord. **God hears us.**

Say to the Lord. **God hears us.**

Whisper to the Lord. **God hears us all the same!**

*Hymn 166

Lord, Who throughout These Forty Days

ST. FLAVIAN

Prayer of Confession

Present and near God, you always love us, yet we do not always love you. Too many times we trust in our own ability and strength. Too many times we ignore what you give and empower. Too many times we think we are the cause of our success. Too many times we fail to live as you called us to live. Forgive us for our blindness. Set us back on your path. Quiet the loud and noisy crowds of our lives that often distract us. In the name of Jesus we pray...

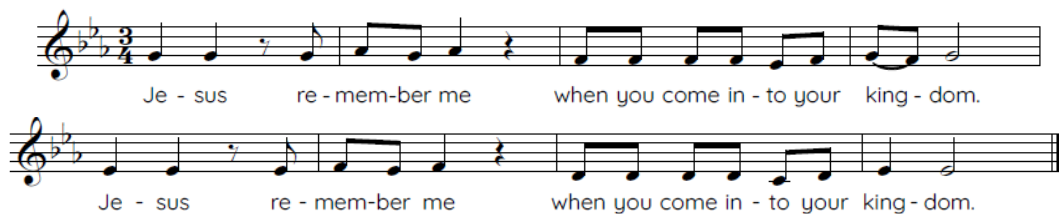
(Time for Silent Reflection and Confession)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Hear the Good News of the Gospel!

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Congregational Response *(Remain seated)*



*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed (Traditional)

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.

*Congregational Response 581

Gloria Patri

GLORIA PATRI (GREATOREX)

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.**

** Those who are able, please stand
Bolded text invites the congregation to respond*

(Ushers will collect prayer request cards during the anthem.)

Anthem *Let Us Break Bread Together* arr. Moses Hogan
Eve Sheldon, Tenor

Concerns of the Church
(Persons nearest the aisles are asked to sign and pass the Act of Friendship pad toward the outside aisle. Please keep the cover open as the pad is returned.)

New Testament Lesson: Mark 10:46-49 Pew Bible, NRSV (NT), p. 47
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Meditation "Anyone Remember to Wash?"

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**
It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise, O holy God, creator and ruler of the universe. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with the celestial choirs and with all the faithful of every time and place who forever sing to the glory of your name...

Words of Institution

Breaking of the Bread and Sharing of the Cup
(As you receive the gluten-free elements, please hold them until all have received that we may share in this meal together.)

Communion Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (Traditional)
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 729 *Lord, I Want to Be a Christian* I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN

*Benediction

Postlude *Postlude in D Minor* Anton Bruckner

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Participating in the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. All are invited to participate in Holy Communion with us this morning. Our *Directory for Worship* reminds us "The opportunity to eat and drink with Christ is not a right bestowed upon the worthy, but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love. All who come to the table are offered the bread and cup, regardless of their age or understanding." We encourage you to share in this meal of God's people with us.

The **flowers** are given today in loving memory of my dear mother, Ethel Whittaker Hutchison by Miriam Montgomery.