

# Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 17, 2024

10:30 am

## All Are Welcome in God's House

The Chimes

Welcome and Announcements

*(Persons nearest the center aisle 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.)*

Prelude

*A Simple Prayer*  
Celebration Ringers

Linda Lamb

Call to Worship

based on Psalm 118:1-4

Give thanks to God; **God's love is forever.**

Let your house say: **God's love is forever.**

Let my house say: **God's love is forever.**

Let everyone say: **God's love is forever.**

Come, let us worship the Lord.

\*Hymn 2

*Come, Thou Almighty King*

ITALIAN HYMN

Prayer of Confession

**Holy God,**

**sometimes we forget your command to love all people.**

**We forget people, we toss them aside—the difficult ones, the needy ones,  
the ones that are hard to spend time with, the ones who confront us.**

**Our comfort outweighs your command.**

**What we value outweighs your worldview.**

**When it gets too challenging, we take the easier route.**

**Help us to see you in all others and envision the world as you see it.**

**Hear us as silently we confess our sin...**

*(Time for Silent Reflection and Confession)*

Assurance of Forgiveness

Hear the Good News of the Gospel!

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

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

Congregational Response (*Remain seated*)



Old Testament Lesson: Psalm 16:7-11  
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Pew Bible, NRSV (OT), p. 496

Time with the Children

*(After the message, children ages four through sixth grade may leave for Children's Worship Time. Parents may pick up their children in Room 203 and 207, located across the bridge, following worship.)*

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

Anthem

*Laudate Dominum* (Psalm 117)  
Chancel Choir with Gina Ricci, Soprano

W.A. Mozart

*Praise the Lord all nations, Praise him all peoples for his loving kindness has been bestowed upon us And the truth of the Lord endures forever.  
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, As it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for generations unto generations. Amen.*

New Testament Lessons: Philemon 1:23-24; Colossians 4:14; 2 Timothy 4:7,9b-10  
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

"Anyone Remember Demas?"

Rev. Dr. Tom Kort

\*Affirmation of Faith

— from "The Heidelberg Catechism"

Pastor: What is true faith?

**True faith is not only a sure knowledge by which I hold as true all that God has revealed to us in Scripture; it is also a wholehearted trust, which the Holy Spirit creates in me by the gospel, that God has freely granted, not only to others but to me also, forgiveness of sins, eternal righteousness, and salvation. These are gifts of sheer grace, granted solely by Christ's merit.**

\*Hymn 738

*O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee*

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Prayers of the People

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.**

## Offering of Our Gifts and Lives

*(To give online or via text message, click the "Give" tab at the top of our website.)*

Offertory

*Christe, du Lamm Gottes*

S. Karg-Elert

\*Congregational Response 606 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD HUNDREDTH  
**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.**

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn 724

*O Jesus, I Have Promised*

ANGEL'S STORY

\*Benediction

Postlude

*Lenten Postlude*

M. Koch

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*Welcome to Worship at Doylestown Presbyterian Church!*  
*Whether in-person or joining us from home, we are glad that you are with us!*

**Assisting:** Rev. Becca Bateman **Lay Leader:** Galen Hays

**Music Note:** Much of the music selected for the season of Lent is inspired by the book of Psalms. We hope these beautiful texts add meaning to this season of reflection and repentance.

**New Life!** The rosebud on Communion Table celebrates the birth of Jack Paul Moser, born on March 5, to Andrea and Tyler Moser. The proud DPC grandmother is Joanne Ochadlick.

**Christian Sympathy.** The sympathy of the congregation is extended to Megan Craig on the death of her grandfather, Murry Lee Alford, on March 10; and to Jenny Baker on the death of her father, James William Webb, on March 13. We hold these families in prayer in their time of loss.

The **flowers** are given today in loving memory of Gene Weichman on the occasion of his birthday by his wife, Marilyn, and daughters, Kathryn and Meredith.

**In the spirit of worship,** we remind you:

- To please silence your cellphones.
- If you need to enter or exit the sanctuary during the worship service, please do so by way of the rear of the sanctuary and side aisles.
- Children are welcomed in worship. However, if your child becomes uncomfortable, feel free to use the nursery for children aged 9 months to 4.5 (just across the bridge), or the Pray-Ground (a space to watch worship while kids participate in quiet activity) in the Celtic Cross Room, located below the sanctuary. Ushers are here to assist you.



## SCHEDULE

**Palm Sunday, March 24:** We gather for worship at 8:30 and 10:30 am in-person and also via Livestream for the later service.

**Maundy Thursday, March 28:** We gather in the sanctuary at 7:00 pm to experience the sharing of the Lord's Supper. Special Music: *Fauré Requiem* featuring the Chancel and Ecumenical Choirs and Mina Choi, Organ. Prayer Labyrinth open in the Celtic Cross Room before and after worship. This service will be available via Livestream.

**Good Friday, March 29:** The sanctuary will be open for prayer from noon until 3 pm and a Labyrinth will be set up in the Celtic Cross Room to allow for personal reflection during that time.

**Easter Sunday, March 31:** We rejoice in the glory of Jesus' Resurrection during identical worship services at 8:30 and 10:30 am. Nursery care, Children's Worship Time, and the Livestream will be available during the 10:30 am service.



**2024 EASTER FLOWERS** Our members have the opportunity to remember or honor loved ones as well as provide our church with beautiful arrangements for Holy Week. Flowers and palms will be artistically arranged throughout the Sanctuary. If you would like to help make this offering possible, please complete the form shown below:

I would like to make \_\_\_\_\_ donation(s) at \$15.00 each. **PLEASE PRINT NAMES**

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

From: \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to DPC (note "Easter Flowers" on it). Mail to the church office or place in the offering plate. ***Names must be received in the church office no later than noon on Monday, March 18.***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone or Email: \_\_\_\_\_



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