

Doylestown Presbyterian Church
Fifth Sunday in Lent, March 17, 2024 – 8:30 am
Rev. Dr. Tom Kort, preaching; Rev. Becca Bateman, assisting

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

Contemplation

C. Saint-Saëns

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

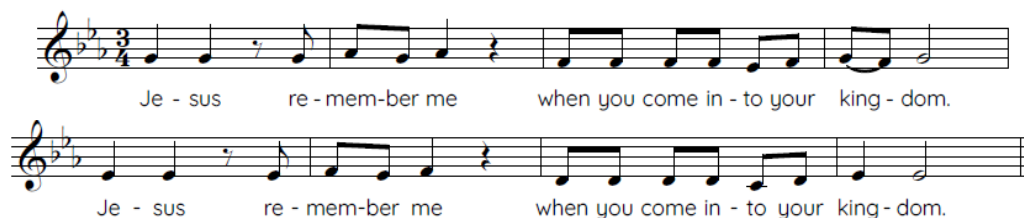
Holy God,
sometimes we forget your command to love all people.
We forget people, we toss them aside—the difficult ones, the needy ones,
the ones that are hard to spend time with, the ones who confront us.
Our comfort outweighs your command.
What we value outweighs your worldview.
When it gets too challenging, 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.

Congregational Response *(Remain seated)*



Old Testament Lesson: Psalm 16:7-11

Pew Bible, NRSV (OT), p. 496

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

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

Anthem

Laudate Dominum (Psalm 117)

W.A. Mozart

Gina Ricci, Soprano

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

New Testament Lessons: Philemon 1:23-24; Colossians 4:14; 2 Timothy 4:7,9b-10

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Sermon

"Anyone Remember Demas?"

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.

*Hymn 724

O Jesus, I Have Promised

ANGEL'S STORY

*Benediction

Postlude

Lenten Postlude

M. Koch

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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.

2024 EASTER FLOWERS Honor loved ones as well as provide our church with beautiful arrangements for Holy Week.

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: _____



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.