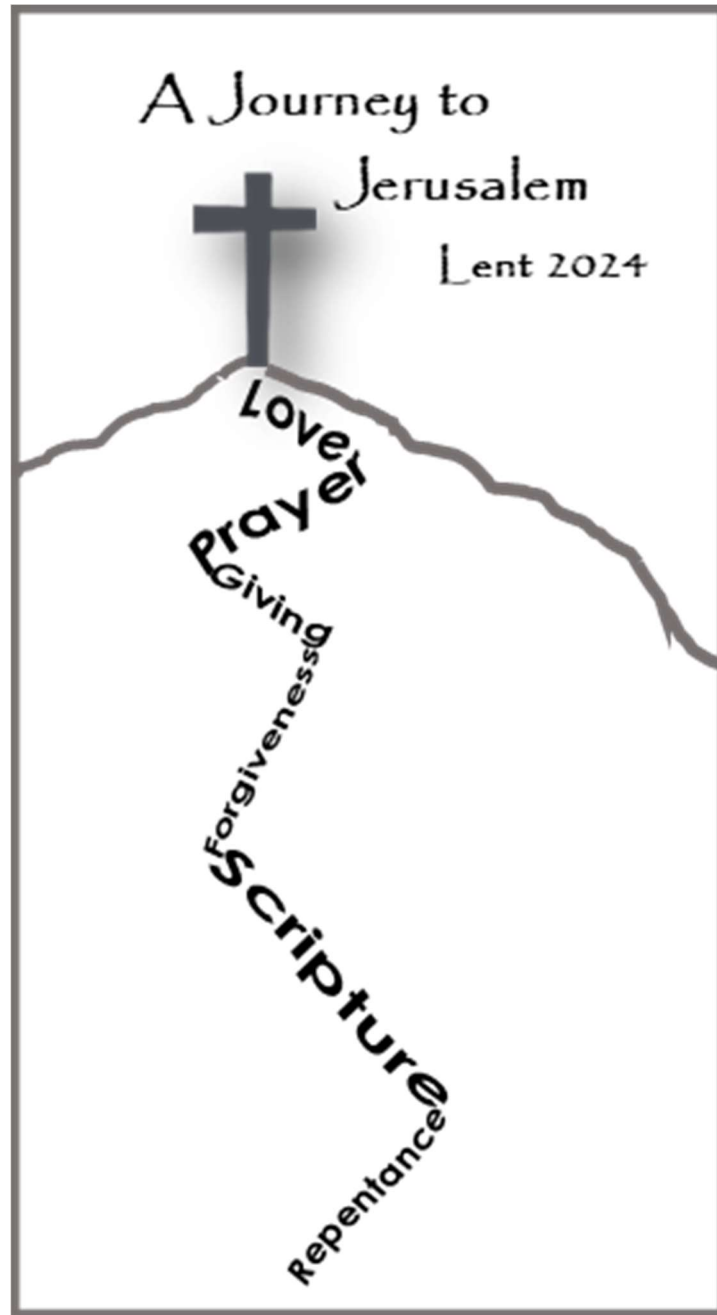


*First Presbyterian Church of Dryden*

*Established 1808*



*Sunday, February 18, 2024*

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

"Song of Songs"

by Moya

**GATHERING TOGETHER**

Welcome & Announcements

Choral Introit "If You Will Only Let God Guide You," v. 3

Gathering Prayer

**DRAWING NEAR TO GOD**

Call to Confession

2 Corinthians 5:21, 6:2

We begin this holy season of preparation by acknowledging our need for repentance as well as the mercy and forgiveness proclaimed in the gospel of Jesus Christ.

"For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God... For he says, 'At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you.' See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation!"

Let us bow before God, our Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer, and confess our sin.

Unison Prayer of Confession

*Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name.*

*Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Amen.*

Song of Confession

"Change My Heart, O God"

by Eddie Espinosa

Welcome Friends at Home

Sharing Our Joys & Concerns

Prayers of the People

**HEARING THE WORD**

Children's Message

Children (PreK-5<sup>th</sup> grade) are invited to Kids' Club.

Choral Anthem

"Lovely Appear"

by Charles Gounod

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 58

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Message

Lent in the Fast Lane

**RESPONDING TO THE LORD**

Call to Repentance

Imposition of Ashes                      "Have Thine Own Way, Lord"                      #371  
Promise of Forgiveness                      Psalm 103:8-14

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. God will not keep his anger forever nor does the Lord deal with us according to our sins... For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is God's steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far God removes our transgressions from us. As a father has compassion for his children, so the Lord has compassion for those who fear him. For... God remembers that we are dust.

I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

***Thanks be to God.***

Giving our Gifts

✠ Doxology                                      "Gloria Patri"                                      #622

✠ Prayer of Thanksgiving & *The Lord's Prayer*

**SENDING WITH THE SPIRIT**

✠ Hymn of Dedication                      "Just As I Am"                                      #342

✠ Blessing                      1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

✠ Choral Benediction                      "The Blessing of Aaron"                      by Norman Ramsey

✠ Postlude                                      "Postlude on Durham"                      by Healey Willan

✠ **All are invited to stand as they are able.**

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Credits: All liturgy is adapted from *The Book of Common Worship*, PCUSA.

## *Welcome to our Church!*

Thank you for worshiping with us.

If you are a visitor, we invite you to fill out a Welcome Card, which you will find in the pew rack. You can place the card in the offering plate.

Let us know if we can assist you.

## *Sunday Servants*

<u>Ushering:</u>	Nancy & Ed Couch	<u>AV System:</u>	Tim & Dave Parsons
<u>Organist:</u>	Michael Singbusch	<u>Flowers:</u>	Fran Sincerbeaux*
<u>Liturgist</u>	MJ Uttech	<u>Kids Church:</u>	MJ Uttech

*\*Flowers today are in honor of Fran's family.*

*All for the glory of God.*

*We proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ,  
feed the hungry, welcome the stranger,  
and love our neighbors as ourselves.*

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# Lent Readings 2024

Blessed is the one who meditates on  
the law of the Lord. from Psalm 1

Wed. Feb. 14 Psalm 5:1-8  
Thur. Feb. 15 Psalm 27:1-5  
Fri. Feb. 16 Psalm 27:6-14  
Sat. Feb. 17 Psalm 43  
Sun. Feb. 18 Psalm 1  
John 12:44-50  
Mon. Feb. 19 Psalm 119:73-80  
Tues. Feb. 20 Psalm 34:1-5  
Wed. Feb. 21 Psalm 34:6-10  
Thur. Feb. 22 Psalm 102:1-11  
Fri. Feb. 23 Psalm 102:12-28  
Sat. Feb. 24 Psalm 119:6-19  
Sun. Feb. 25 Psalm 84  
John 5:19-24  
Mon. Feb. 26 Psalm 42:1-6  
Tues. Feb. 27 Psalm 42:7-11  
Wed. Feb. 28 Psalm 25:1-5  
Thur. Feb. 29 Psalm 25:6-10  
Fri. Mar. 1 Psalm 25:11-18  
Sat. Mar. 2 Psalm 51:1-9  
Sun. Mar. 3 Psalm 51:10-17  
John 5:25-29  
Mon. Mar. 4 Psalm 121  
Tues. Mar. 5 Psalm 36:5-11  
Wed. Mar. 6 Psalm 116:1-2,12-19

Thur. Mar. 7 Psalm 32:1-5  
Fri. Mar. 8 Psalm 32:6-11  
Sat. Mar. 9 Psalm 6  
Sun. Mar. 10 Psalm 91:1-8  
John 6:27-40  
Mon. Mar. 11 Psalm 91:9-16  
Tues. Mar. 12 Psalm 126  
Wed. Mar. 13 Psalm 105:1-5  
Thur. Mar. 14 Psalm 31:1-8  
Fri. Mar. 15 Psalm 31:9-18  
Sat. Mar. 16 Psalm 31:19-24  
Sun. Mar. 17 Psalm 40:1-10  
John 8:46-59  
Mon. Mar. 18 Psalm 71:1-8  
Tues. Mar. 19 Psalm 71:9-18  
Wed. Mar. 20 Psalm 71:19-24  
Thur. Mar. 21 Psalm 149:1-5  
Fri. Mar. 22 Psalm 143:1-6  
Sat. Mar. 23 Psalm 143:7-12  
Sun. Mar. 24 Psalm 150  
John 12:12-16  
Mon. Mar. 25 Psalm 146  
Tues. Mar. 26 Psalm 22:1-5  
Wed. Mar. 27 Psalm 22:6-13  
Thurs. Mar. 28 Psalm 22:14-21  
Fri. Mar. 29 John 18:1-19:42  
Sat. Mar. 30 Psalm 130  
Sun. Mar. 31 Psalm 145  
John 20:1-10

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To the glory of God.

# Change My Heart, Oh God

Chorus:

Change my heart, oh God.  
Make it ever true.  
Change my heart, oh God.  
May I be like You.

Repeat Chorus

Verse:

You are the potter.  
I am the clay.  
Mold me and make me.  
This is what I pray.

Chorus

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## Have Thine Own Way, Lord

### Verse 1:

Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!  
Thou art the Potter, I am the clay.  
Mold me and make me after Thy will,  
While I am waiting, yielded and still.

### Verse 2:

Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!  
Search me and try me, Master, today!  
Whiter than snow, Lord, wash me just now,  
As in Thy presence humbly I bow.

### Verse 3:

Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!  
Wounded and weary, help me, I pray!  
Power – all power – surely is Thine!  
Touch me and heal me, Savior divine!

### Verse 4:

Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!  
Hold o'er my being absolute sway!  
Fill with Thy Spirit till all shall see  
Christ only, always, living in me!  
Amen.

Text: Adelaide A. Pollard

Music: *Adelaide*, George C. Stebbins

## Gloria Patri

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.

Text: *Gloria Patri*; Traditional, 2<sup>nd</sup> century  
Music: *Meineke*, Christoph Meineke



# Just as I Am

## Verse 1:

Just as I am, without one plea  
But that Thy blood was shed for me,  
And that Thou bidd'st me come to Thee,  
Oh Lamb of God, I come! I come!

## Verse 2:

Just as I am, and waiting not  
To rid my soul of one dark blot,  
To Thee whose blood can cleanse each spot,  
Oh Lamb of God, I come! I come!

## Verse 3:

Just as I am, tho tossed about  
With many a conflict, many a doubt,  
Fightings and fears within, without,  
O Lamb of God, I come! I come!

## Verse 4:

Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind –  
Sight, riches, healing of the mind,  
Yea, all I need in Thee to find –  
Oh Lamb of God, I come! I come!

## Verse 5:

Just as I am, Thou wilt receive,  
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;  
Because Thy promise I believe,  
Oh Lamb of God, I come! I come!

Text: Charlotte Elliott

Music: *Woodworth*, William B. Bradbury