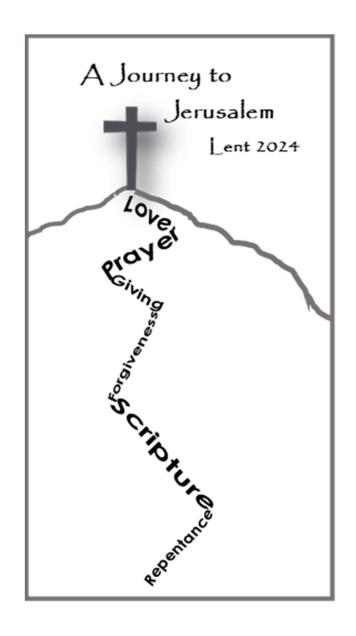
First Presbyterian Church of Dryden

Established 1808



Sunday, March 17, 2024

Order of Worship

Prelude "Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart" by Franklin Ritter

GATHERING TOGETHER

Welcome & Announcements

Choral Introit

Gathering Prayer

DRAWING NEAR TO GOD

☆ Call to Worship from Psalm 95:6-8

NKJV

Call: Beloved, if you will hear God's voice today, do not harden your hearts

Response: as we were hardened in the rebellion of the covenant.

Call: Beloved, come, let us worship and bow down,

Response: and we will kneel before the Lord our Maker.

Call: Beloved, the Lord is our God,

Response: and we are the people of God's pasture.

♣ Hymn of Praise "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" #92

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

The proof of God's amazing love is this: while we were sinners, Christ died for us. Because we have faith in him, we dare to approach God with confidence. In humility, let us confess our sin before God.

Divine Companion, you meet us every day, in the ordinary moments of encounter, in the common hungers of life. Yet, how often we miss you, failing to look deep enough, failing to stay long enough, failing to hear clear enough. We confess to setting up narrow boundaries, maintaining established prejudices, refusing to shift perceptions and thus miss the new thing you are doing. In this season of Lent, send your living water to wear away our rocklike defenses. Let our thirst for truth take us to the heart of God, to the healing river. In the name of Jesus. Amen.

Friends, God's love is revealed in Jesus Christ and testifies to us through the Spirit. With such assurance, we know we are forgiven and restored.

Thanks be to God who gives us mercy through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Welcome Friends at Home Sharing Our Joys & Concerns Prayers of the People

HEARING THE WORD

Children's Message Googol

Children (PreK-5th grade) are invited to Kids' Club.

Choral Anthem "Ev'ry Time I Feel the Spirit" arr.by William L. Dawson
Scripture Reading Jeremiah 31:31-34 OT p. 735

John 14:17, 20-23 NT p. 109
1 John 4:7-13 NT p. 241

Message Googling God

RESPONDING TO THE LORD

Hymn of Response "He Lives" #220

Moment for Mission One Great Hour of Sharing

Giving our Gifts "Andantino" by Johann S. Bach

♣ Doxology "Old Hundredth" # 625

♣ Prayer of Thanksgiving & The Lord's Prayer

SENDING WITH THE SPIRIT

♣ Closing Hymn "They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love" #284

♣ Blessing John 14:23; 1 John 4:11

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

♣ Postlude "Refrain" by César Frank

♣ All are invited to stand as they are able.

Credits: Gathering Prayer adapted from Inclusive Gathering Birmingham U.K. Call to Confession & Prayer of Thanksgiving from *The Book of Common Worship*. Prayer of Confession from Homiletics Online. Prayers of the People adapted from "A Prayer for Strength for a Friend," *Guideposts*.

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

Ushering:Jack & Jeanine ScottAV System:Tim & Dave ParsonsMusic Director:Scott MillerFlowers:Fran SincerbeauxOrganist:Michael SingbuschKids Church:Dan CarpenterLiturgist:Brenda Carpenter

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.

6 North Street / PO Box 42, Dryden, NY 13053 607-844-8321 Drydenpresoffice@gmail.com

Bulletin

This week's happenings

Sun. Mar. 17	9:15 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Choir Adult Sunday School Worship/Lent #5 Choir rehearsal Deacons' Meeting
Mon. Mar. 18	11:00 a.m.	Kitchen cupboard
Tue. Mar. 19	7:00 p.m.	Session
Wed. Mar. 20	5:00 p.m.	Kitchen Cupboard Bulletin deadline
Thu. Mar. 21	1:00 p.m.	Knitters group Newsletters articles due
Fri. Mar. 22	11:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Kitchen Cupboard The Case for Christ, movie at Danby Comm. Church, 1859 Danby Rd. Ithaca
Sun. Mar. 24	9:15 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Choir Adult Sunday School Worship/Palm & Passion Sunday One Great Hour of Sharing Choir rehearsal
Thu. Mar. 28	7:00 p.m.	Maundy Thursday, United Methodist Church
Fri. Mar. 29	12:00 pm.	Cross Walk



Easter Sunrise Service

7 a.m., March 31 at the Uttechs' home. Rain or shine.

There will be a brief outdoor service followed by a breakfast.

We will move indoors if raining.

Directions: Drive south on Rt. 38 to Harford, turn left on Rt. 221 and go 6.3 miles. Long driveway on the right.

GPS: 2290 State Rt. 221, Marathon, NY 13803.

(Please sign up in the Fellowship Hall.)

Prayer and Praise

Lisa Parson's Uncle Ed passed away last week. Please uphold her family in prayer as they mourn his loss.

Phyllis Byrn had abdominal surgery on Tuesday. We pray for a full and speedy recovery.

Kim Zimmer, co-worker of Dave Parsons, is a mother of young children and breast cancer survivor who is now battling secondary cancer.

Let us continue to pray for peace in war-torn nations, and for continued safety for **Aleeza Bravershteyn**, still in Jerusalem.

We continue to pray for **Cindy Price**, **Jessica's Aunt Kim** and **Rhonda Haftman**, all in treatment for breast cancer.

Please remember **Dave Gross** in your prayers as he continues to battle long term health issues.

Barb Davidson asks for continued prayer for her son, Tom.

If you would like to list a prayer request, please contact the church office at 607-844-8321 or drydenpresoffice@gmail.com

One Great Hour of Sharing, Sundays of March 17 and 24

A Special Offering of the PC(USA) to benefit those in need of hunger relief, assistance in self-development and support in responding to areas of disaster.

Offering envelopes for OGHS in the pews may be used and checks can be made to Dryden Presbyterian with notation for OGHS. Thank you for any assistance you are able to give.

On-going need for ushers and Kids Club Volunteers

Check your heart, and if you feel drawn to either of these opportunities, check out the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall and add your name!



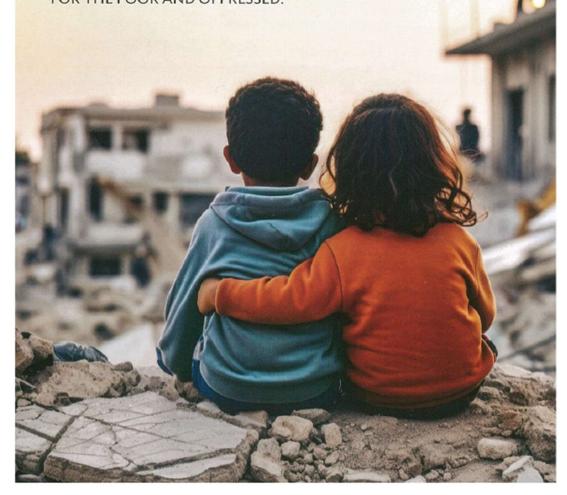
Both are great ways to contribute to the mission of the church Thank you. The Worship Com



REPAIRING THE BREACH

- ISAIAH 58

PROVIDING RELIEF FROM NATURAL DISASTERS, FOOD FOR THE HUNGRY, AND SUPPORT FOR THE POOR AND OPPRESSED.



Repairing the Breach, Fixing What's Broken

In Isaiah 58, God, through the voice of the prophet, calls us to be repairers of the breach — and by repairing the breach, we will, by God's grace, be led into a new season of justice, freedom and peace.

"Is not this the fast that I choose:

to loose the bonds of injustice,
to undo the thongs of the yoke,
to let the oppressed go free,
and to break every yoke?

Is it not to share your bread with the hungry,
and bring the homeless poor into your house;
when you see the naked, to cover them,
and not to hide yourself from your own kin?

You shall raise up the foundations of many generations;
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,
the restorer of streets to live in."

-Isaiah 58





IN THIS SEASON OF LENT,

we follow Jesus' example;
walking alongside the most vulnerable
to partner in repairing the harm inflicted upon them.
WE ARE THE CHURCH, TOGETHER;
and we are there with those who need us.

Each gift to One Great Hour of Sharing helps improve the lives of the suffering and the vulnerable through three life-saving programs ~



PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE

Restore Streets to Live In



PRESBYTERIAN HUNGER PROGRAM

Share your Bread with the Hungry



SELF-DEVELOPMENT OF PEOPLE

Loose the Bonds of Injustice

Please give generously.

IF WE ALL DO A LITTLE, IT ADDS UP TO A LOT!





February 14-March 31, 2024

Join with Presbyterians worldwide in sharing God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the world by providing relief from natural disasters, food for the hungry, and support for the poor and oppressed.

This Lenten season, please give generously to One Great Hour of Sharing.

WAYS TO GIVE —

- Through your congregation
- Online at pcusa.org/give-oghs
- Text OGHS to 91999 to give

-or-



You can help sustain the important ministries and programs that are supported by One Great Hour of Sharing Offering by making an online gift at any time throughout the year. Checks may be sent Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.); P.O. Box 643700; Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700.

Thanks to your heartfelt gifts, One Great Hour of Sharing currently supports projects in over 100 countries.

IF WE ALL DO A LITTLE, IT ADDS UP TO A LOT!

To learn more about how your gift to One Great Hour of Sharing makes a difference, visit pcusa.org/oghs



One Great Hour of Sharing is one of four annual special offerings. The four churchwide Special Offerings of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) play an important role in defining what it means to be a connectional church in the twenty-first century, bringing together the diversity of the PC (USA) to focus and take faith-based action on shared concerns. The Offerings offer opportunities for partnership, learning, and witness and profoundly affect the life of the church as a collective witness to Jesus Christ's love for the whole church.

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Verse 1:

Love Divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heav'n, to earth come down;
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling,
All Thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, Thou art all compassion,
Pure, unbounded love Thou art;
Visit us with Thy salvation,
Enter ev'ry trembling heart.17

Verse 2:

Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit Into ev'ry troubled breast!
Let us all in Thee inherit,
Let us find that promised rest.
Take away our bent to sinning,
Alpha and Omega be;
End of faith, as its beginning,
Set our hearts at liberty.

Verse 3:

Come, almighty to deliver,
Let us all Thy life receive;
Suddenly return, and never,
Nevermore Thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
Serve Thee as Thy host above,
Pray and praise Thee without ceasing,
Glory in Thy perfect love.

Verse 4:

Finish then Thy new creation,
Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see Thy great salvation
Perfectly restored in Thee:
Changed from glory into glory,
Till in heav'n we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before Thee,
Lost in wonder, love and praise!
Amen.

Text: Charles Wesley

Music: Beecher, John Zundel; Choral setting arranged by David Allen

He Lives

Verse 1:

I serve a risen Savior, He's in the world today; I know that He is living, whatever men may say; I see His hand of mercy, I hear His voice of cheer, And just the time I need Him He's always near.

Refrain:

He lives, (He lives,) He lives, (He lives,) Christ Jesus lives today! He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way. He lives, (He lives,) He lives, (He lives,) salvation to impart! You ask me how I know He lives? He lives within my heart.

Verse 2:

In all the world around me I see His loving care, And tho' my heart grows weary, I never will despair; I know that He is leading thro' all the stormy blast, The day of His appearing will come at last.

Refrain

Verse 3:

Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian, lift up your voice and sing Eternal hallelujahs to Jesus Christ the King!
The Hope of all who seek Him, the Help of all who find, None other is so loving, so good and kind.

Refrain

Text and Music by Alfred H. Ackley

© Copyright 1933 by Homer A. Rodeheaver

© Renewed 1961 by The Rodeheaver Co. (a div. of Word, Inc.)

All Rights Reserved

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessing flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Text: Thomas Ken

Music: Old Hundredth, Genevan Psalter, 1551; attributed to Louis Bourgeois

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

Verse 1:

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord, We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord, And we pray that all unity may one day be restored:

Refrain:

And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love, Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

Verse 2:

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand, We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand, And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land:

Refrain

Verse 3:

We will work with each other, we will work side by side, We will work with each other, we will work side by side, And we'll guard each one's dignity and save each one's pride:

Refrain

Verse 4:

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come, And all praise to Christ Jesus, His only Son, And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one:

Refrain

Text and Music: St. Brendan's by Peter Scholtes; based on John 13:35