



Holly Presbyterian Church
Fifth Week of Lent
March 17, 2024

Welcome and Announcements

Pennies from Heaven A voluntary small change offering for building projects.

Prelude

Julia Hull

***Call to Worship**

Based on Psalm 19

The heavens are telling the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge.

There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard; yet their voice goes out through all the earth and their words to the end of the world.

Let the worship of our mouths and the meditation of our hearts be acceptable to you, O Lord, our rock and my redeemer.

Opening Hymn #14 "For the Beauty of the Earth"

Call to Confession

Based on Psalm 130

Prayer of Confession

Creator of all we can see, we have to admit that we have followed in the footsteps of Adam and Eve. We have chosen to make ourselves the basis of our knowledge of good and evil rather than trusting in you. Forgive us for our lack of faith and loyalty. Help us to turn away from our own short sighted perspectives and toward your eternal wisdom. Cover our vulnerabilities and teach us to return to trusting you.

(please take time for silent personal confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Based on Psalm 130

Prayer for Illumination

Lord we seek to know you more. Through the preaching of your word, may our hearts grow more aware of your presence. Through the hearing of your word, may our minds become transformed by your will and not our own. Lead us out from our hiding places and call us back into walking with you in the cool of the garden daily.

Scriptures

Old Testament

Genesis 3:1-24

Pew Bible (OT) Pg. 2-3

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

New Testament

Mark 7:14-23

Pew Bible (NT) Pg. 23

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Sermon "What Went Wrong"

Rev. Chris Thomas

***Hymn #108 "Of the Father's Love Begotten"**

Affirmation of Faith

Based on Romans 5:12-17

Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned—for sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those who did not sin in the likeness of Adam, who is a pattern of the one who was to come.

But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. And the gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the gift following many trespasses brings justification. If, because of the one man's trespass, death reigned through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ. Amen!

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Offertory

***Doxology Hymn #606 "Praise God From Whom All Blessing Flow"**

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Hymn #610 "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"**

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Julia Hull

Assisting with worship today: Vicki Lyles Worship Leader, Vicki Lyles Usher, Jim Lyles AV Setup, Randy Cook Sound.

Worship Team:

Volunteers needed! Please look at the volunteer sheets on the table in the narthex, and fill an empty spot (or more) with your name. There are opportunities to help with the worship service, baby pantry, and coffee hour. Can we fill up the month of April today? That would make a busy time of year easier on the people responsible for these activities. Thank you!!

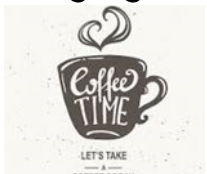
Mark your calendar:

Sunday March 24th 11:15am Palm Sunday

Thursday March 28th 7:00pm Maundy Thursday

Sunday March 31st 11:15am Easter Sunday-Invite someone to church!

Congregational Care Team:



Coffee fellowship is at 10:30am. Come and have a snack, drink, and fellowship.

If you have prayer requests, please submit them to Karen Haneline - haneline526@gmail.com or 248-894-3489.

Prayer Concerns

Prayer of thanks: Sierra and Dalton Sink were not injured in the Grand Blanc tornado last month (their house was damaged).

For healing: Jerry Watkins (Laura Parker's dad) recovering from broken femur; Jessica Duis (Jim & Vicki Lyles niece) complications have arisen regarding her thyroid cancer treatment. Sherry McLaughlin with pneumonia; Penny Schettling recovering from second hip replacement.



Ongoing prayers: Barb Brown, Don Neuville, Mark Bolen, Steve in FL, and Jim Killewald.

Prayers for those suffering: for all those affected by war, severe weather, hunger, gun violence, abuse, and/or addiction.

Christian Education: Bible Study will meet again on April 14th from 10:00am-10:45am.

Finance Team:

Monthly summary	Average budgeted needs	Income received
February	\$5,647.25	\$6,053.50

Outreach: We are collecting items for Traverse Place (7 teen boys, 7 teen girls). Please bring your donations in no later than next Sunday, March 24. Items needed include:

Body lotion
Bubbles
Juice boxes
Shampoo

Body wash
Deodorant
Notebooks
Snacks

