



# A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

March 21, 2021  
Fifth Sunday of Lent

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## PEACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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**Grow in Grace, Live in Peace, Serve the Lord**

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## We Gather as God's People

### RINGING OF THE BELL

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

This is the day the Lord has made.  
**Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

### PRELUDE

Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley

American Folk Hymn  
(arr. Larry Sue)

### CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 1 and Psalm 32

Samantha Crotty, liturgist

Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers: but their delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law, they meditate day and night.

**They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper.**

Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

Happy are those in whom there is no deceit.

**Many are the torments of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the Lord. Be glad in the Lord and rejoice. Shout for joy, all you upright in heart.**

### HYMN #816

### If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee

**If thou but trust in God to guide thee, with hopeful heart through all thy ways, God will give strength, whate'er betide thee, to bear thee through the evil days. Who trusts in God's unchanging love builds on the rock that nought can move.**

**Sing, pray, and swerve not from God's ways, but do thine own part faithfully. Trust the rich promises of grace; so shall they be fulfilled in thee. God never yet forsook at need the soul secured by trust indeed.**

### CALL TO CONFESSION

Happy are those whose sin is forgiven, who no longer suffer in silence, but name their sin and seek God's grace. Let us confess our sin.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Holy God, you know the ways of good and evil and how we are tempted by that which dazzles and glitters and promises what cannot bring happiness. You also know what is true and gives us life. You know our sin, our failures, our shortcomings and our lack of truth. We confess that we have disobeyed your word, denying your providence and care and relying on our own cleverness. Have mercy on us and cover us with your grace, feed us with bread of life, and re-store to us your vision of who you have created us to be. We offer up our individual confessions in the silence of this moment.

*(Silent Prayer)*

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Happy are those whose sin is forgiven! Be glad in the Lord and shout for joy:  
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

**Thanks be to God.**

## RESPONSE TO GOD'S FORGIVENESS

I Need Thee Every Hour  
Peggy Vaughan, soprano

Robert Lowry (arr. Sally DeFord)

## We Listen to God's Word

### SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 4: 1-11

### SERMON

"Temptation"

Rev. Debbie Osterhoudt

## We Respond to God's Word

### SPECIAL MUSIC

Prelude No 20 in A minor from Well-Tempered Clavier, Bk 1 BWV 865

J.S. Bach

## PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE AND OUR LORD'S PRAYER

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

## We Are Sent in God's Name

### HYMN #724

O Jesus, I Have Promised

O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end; be thou forever near me, my Master and my friend; I shall not fear the battle if thou art by my side, nor wander from the pathway if thou wilt be my guide.

O let me feel thee near me! The world is ever near: I see the sights that dazzle; the tempting sounds I hear. My foes are ever near me, around me and within; but, Jesus, draw thou nearer and shield my soul from sin.

## CHARGE & BLESSING

### CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

May the Love of the Lord

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May the love of the Lord rest upon your soul.

May God's love dwell in you, throughout every day.

May God's countenance shine upon you and be gracious to you.

May God's Spirit be upon you as you leave this place.

**Worship Leadership** Rev. Debbie Osterhoudt, Preacher Samantha Crotty, Liturgist  
Peggy Vaughan, Music Director & Soloist John Holter, piano Ron Skinner, audio & video  
Joanne Lang, Worship Ministry Team Chair