

LENT

Songs for the Journey

EXPLORING THE PSALMS OF ASCENT (PSALMS 120-134)

*Wednesday Evening Vespers
Christ Presbyterian Church
April 3, 2019*

Preparing for Worship

Minuet and Dance of the Blessed Spirits (Orfeo) Christoph Willibald Gluck
Blessed Assurance Arr. William Cutter
O, the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus
Psalm 122—I Rejoiced When I Heard Them Say Bernadette Farrell
CPC Psalter, page 21

Gathering Together

*The Call to Worship

Through the gift of the Holy Spirit **God's love is poured into our hearts.**
The law of the Lord revives the soul **the word of God makes the simple wise.**
Let all who thirst come to the waters; **Let all who are hungry come, and eat.**

*A Gathering Hymn *Here, O Lord, Your Servants Gather*
We will sing stanzas 1, 2 and 4

Hymnal No. 465

Confessing Our Sins

Together

Have mercy on us, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out our transgressions, for we know our transgressions and our sin are ever before us. Against you alone, have we sinned, and done what is evil in your sight. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Amen.

In Silence

Sing together

Kyrie eleison—Lord, Have Mercy *Listen first, and sing the second time.*

The image shows a musical score for the Kyrie eleison. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The music is written in 2/4 time and features a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are: Ky-ri-e, Ky-ri-e e - le-i-son. Ky-ri-e, Ky-ri-e e - le-i - son. The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, and dynamic markings.

The Assurance of Forgiveness

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel. **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven**

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

The peace of Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

Welcome ~

Please silence electronic devices before the service begins.

*Please stand as you are able.

Hymns will be found in the Blue Presbyterian Hymnal or the CPC Psalter (available at the door)



ALL are welcome —
“The invitation to The Lord’s Supper is extended to all - remembering that access to the Table is not a right conferred upon the worthy, but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance and love.”

~ The Presbyterian Book of Order

We offer gluten-free communion bread and wafers, and non-alcoholic wine, so that everyone may partake without concern.

Hearing the Word

Songs for the Journey Psalm 133

CPC Psalter, page 32

Singing the Psalm *Miren que Bueno (Oh Look and Wonder)*

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Meditation

Rich Henderson

Music for Reflection *Be Still and Know that I am God*

Sharing the Lord’s Supper

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Consecration and 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.

The Words of Institution and Distribution of the Elements

During Passover, all yeast, even the crumbs, is removed from a house since yeast symbolizes what sin does to a life. Jesus and his disciples celebrated the Passover meal with unleavened bread made without yeast. Tonight, we will share gluten-free Matzah.

Music during Communion *As the Deer (Psalm 42)*

Greg Scheer

Prayer of Thanks

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation, you have united us in Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth with the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Going Forth

*Sending Hymn *Day is Done (Ar hyd y nos)*
We will sing stanzas 1 and 2.

Hymnal No. 544

*The Benediction

Participants in Worship

Worship Leader: Rev. Dale Chapin Speaker: Rich Henderson

Musicians: Sharol Hayner, piano; Kathy Otterson, flute, vocals

Communion Server: Arlene Linn



Thanks to all musicians for providing beautiful music during our Lenten Vespers services-

- March 20 Matt Sally and members of the Worship Team*
- March 27 Mary Strait, guitar; Elise Blanchard, flute; Carol Quintana, cello
Kathy Otterson, piano*
- April 3 Kathy Otterson, flute and voice;
Sharol Hayner, piano*
- April 10 Roald Henderson, tenor
Robert Haigler, organ and piano*

*Very special thanks to the many volunteers who
prepare, serve and assist with the weekly Vespers dinners!*

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A Community of Christ, gathering in love, growing by grace, going forth to serve.