



Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 10, 2024

9:00 am

Gathering Around the Word

Prelude

“Your Grace Is Enough”

Matt Maher

Invitation to Attentiveness

Introit “Kyrie Eleison” Ray Makeever

The words “Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison” translate to “Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.”

This simple prayer has been spoken and sung in worship services around the world for thousands of years. In this setting, the congregation echoes the leader after each phrase is sung.

<i>Kyrie eleison</i>	<i>Kyrie</i>	<i>Kyrie, Christe eleison</i>
<i>Christe eleison</i>	<i>Christe</i>	<i>Kyrie, Christe eleison</i>
	<i>Kyrie</i>	<i>Kyrie, Christe eleison</i>
	<i>Christe</i>	

Moment of Mindful Reflection

***Call to Worship** Allison Maus

Leader: O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever.

People: Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, those he redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

Leader: Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love, for his wonderful works to humankind.

People: And let them offer thanksgiving sacrifices, and tell of his deeds with songs of joy.

***Hymn No. 610** “O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

***Call to Confession** Allison Maus

***Prayer of Confession** Allison Maus

God our fellowship does not reflect the joy and the love with which you created all things. The seed of promise sown in us has been parched by fear, jealousy, and blown from the hardened surface of our lives. We act in ways that satisfy us, but isolate us from others and ourselves. Forgive us. Teach us to trust in your enduring power to redeem and transform us. In the name of Jesus Christ, the word made flesh, we pray. Amen.

***Assurance of Pardon** Allison Maus

***Passing of the Peace**

Hearing the Word

Prayer for Inspiration John Graham

First Scripture Reading Numbers 21:4-9 John Graham

Anthem	“Open My Heart”	Ana Hernández
Children’s Time		John Porter
Song after Children’s Time	<p>“Tell Me the Stories of Jesus”</p> <p><i>Tell me the stories of Jesus I love to hear; Things i would ask him to tell me if he were here: Scenes by the wayside, tales of the sea, Stories of Jesus, tell them to me.</i></p>	[STORIES OF JESUS] William H. Parker
Second Scripture Reading	John 3:14-21	John Porter
Sermon		John Porter
Responding to the Word		
*Hymn No. 215	“What Wondrous Love Is This”	
Announcements		Allison Maus
Palm Sunday Breakfast Minute for Mission		Sharon Ambrose
Call to Offering		Allison Maus
Please place your written reflections in the offering plate.		
Offertory Anthem	<p>“My Song is Love Unknown”</p> <p>“Rhosymedre” from 3 Preludes on Welsh Hymn Tunes</p>	Ralph Vaughan Williams
*Doxology	<p>“Lenten Doxology”</p> <p><i>Praise God throughout these forty days. Praise Christ, our Lord, whom God did raise. And praise the Spirit who imparts God’s love in Christ into our hearts. Amen.</i></p>	[OLD 100TH] Words by G. W. Dub Shepherd
*Prayer of Dedication		John Graham
Sharing of Joys and Concerns		John Porter
Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer		John Porter
<p>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.</p>		
*Hymn No. 137	“He Came Down”	
*Charge & Benediction		
Postlude	“I Will Arise and Go to Jesus”	arr. Janice Davis

Welcome Visitors & Guests

We are so glad you have joined us today. If you have questions about our church, our programs or activities offered here, stop by the Information Desk outside the Church Office.



Ushers this Morning:

Head Usher: Scott Banfield

Ushers: Katie Nurmi, Melissa Pike, Liane Roe and Jillian Rounsville

Information Desk: Kim Phillips

Greeters this Morning:

Fraser Street: Yuri Suhov

Parking Lot: Margaret VanFossan

Coffee Hour:

Host: Jamey Perry

Sunday Membership Opportunity—Today

Anyone interested in becoming a member of our church family is invited to the Martin Room after the worship service on today at 10:15 am. You'll meet the pastor, several elders from our Session, and be received into membership if you wish. Questions? Contact Martha Trout at (marthascpc@gmail.com).

Family Fellowship Lunch—Today

Join us for a family style lunch today from 11:15-12:15pm in the Social Hall. Families of all shapes and sizes are invited to join. The goal of these lunches is to create opportunities for families at all stages of life to gather, connect, and share a meal together. Pizza and beverages will be provided. A jar will be available if you'd like make a donation to help cover costs. (Feel free to contact us or bring your own food if you have dietary restrictions).

Holy Week Services

March 24th Palm Sunday— Join your Church family for worship at 9:00 am and the Palm Sunday breakfast to follow in the Social Hall. There will be no Exploration Hour. Plan to get your photo taken for our online membership directory

March 28th Maundy Thursday—Join us at 6:00 pm in the Social Hall for a shared meal and worship experience. We'll expand our view of the communion table and invite everyone to bring food to share with our community as we pray, sing, and eat. This will be an in person offering only.

March 29th Good Friday—Join us for a traditional Good Friday service at 7:00 pm. This will also be streamed online.

March 31st Easter Sunrise Service—A Sunrise Service with Communion at Windswept Farm at 6:30 am. Our Youth Sunday School group, Oasis will be hosting.

Easter Service— Join us at 9:00 am in the Sanctuary or online to worship our Risen Lord. Exploration Hour is to follow.

Adult Education Today

Join our new music director, Heike Burghart Rice, in Westminster Hall at 10:15 am this morning. This adult education session is a time to meet Heike and hear a little about her background and approach to music ministry.

“Connect” will also be meeting in Rm 10 at 10:15 am.

“Connect” is an invitation to deepen your relationship with others and with God by contemplating scripture, lyrics, writing, poetry, and other topics of interest through small group discussions.



Lenten Retreat—Awaiting Renewal

March 17th 3-6 pm at RE Farm Café at Windswept Farm

Children Welcome- Childcare available

Visit our website at scpresby.org on the homepage to register by Monday, March 11th

Pastor Porter's "bye-pie" Celebration—Next Sunday

What better way to celebrate Pastor Porter's leadership and efforts at SCPC than through a "bye-pie" send-off on his last day. We welcomed him with a pie celebration and now we can send him off with a huge THANK YOU, hugs, fist-pumps, hand-over-heart, and PIES on March 17th after his last sermon at SCPC. Feel free to bake or bring your favorite pie(s). "You can never have too much pie."



Sunday, March 10th

- 8:30 am Childcare Available—Rm 102
- **9:00 am Worship Service**
- 9:30 am Children, Worship & Song—Rm 11
- 10:00 am Pathways—Rm 210
- 10:00 am Coffee Hour—Social Hall
- 10:15 am Adult Education—Westminster Hall
- 10:15 am Connect—Rm 10
- 10:15 am Oasis—Fireside Rm
- 10:15 am Invitation to Join—Martin Rm
- 10:15 am YoPro Bible Study—Tower Rm
- 11:15 am Family Fellowship Lunch—Social Hall
- 11:15 am Wandering Women Meeting—Fireside Rm

Monday, March 11th

- 4:00 pm Finance Committee Meeting—Martin Rm
- 6:00 pm Scout Troop Meeting—Westminster Hall
- 6:30 pm SJMT—Zoom
- 7:00 pm CAYAM—Zoom
- 7:00 pm Men's Bible Study—Fireside Rm
- 7:00 pm Scout Den Meeting—Rm 10 & 11
- 7:00 pm Virtual Centering Prayer—Zoom

Tuesday, March 12th

- 12:00 pm Congregational Prayer Meeting—Zoom
- 4:00 pm LOGOS Geckos
- 5:30 pm Chrysalis Picnic—Millbrook Marsh
- 7:30 pm Handbell Choir Practice

Wednesday, March 13th

- 12:00 pm Wednesday in the Word—Zoom/Fireside Rm
- 6:00 pm FISH
- 7:00 pm Spiritual Life—Zoom
- 7:00 pm Sunday Schedule Survey Team Listening Session—Zoom
- 8:00 pm Women's Bible Study—Martin Rm

Thursday, March 14th

- 5:00 pm Explore Dinner—Social Hall
- 6:00 pm Presbyterian Student Fellowship—Fireside Rm
- 7:00 pm Adult Education Committee—Zoom
- 7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Friday, March 15th

PresbyPost Deadline

- 6:00 pm New Friends Friday—Social Hall

Saturday, March 16th

If you are an online attender we hope you will "sign the pew pad" virtually on Sunday mornings by texting "check in" during the welcome and announcement time so we know you're watching! The phone number is: 833-234-1326. To give via our Online Giving site, scan the QR Code.



Sunday, March 17th

- 8:30 am Childcare Available—Rm 102
- **9:00 am Worship Service**
- 9:30 am Children, Worship & Song—Rm 11
- 10:00 am Pathways—Rm 210
- 10:00 am Coffee Hour—Social Hall
- 10:15 am Oasis—Fireside Rm
- 10:15 am Sunday Schedule Survey Team Listening Session—Westminster Hall
- 10:15 am Connect—Rm 10
- 10:15 am YoPro Bible Study—Tower Rm
- 11:30 am Session Meeting—Martin Rm
- 3:00 pm Spiritual Life Retreat—ReFarm
- 4:00 pm Sunday Schedule Survey Team Listening Session—Zoom

Children in Worship

9:00 am Worship - Infant and Toddler Care (through age 3) are available in Room 102 throughout the morning.

Children of all ages are invited to come forward for the children's message. Following this time, children 3 years old through 2nd grade, are welcome to join **Children, Worship & Song** which meets in Room 11 on the lower level.

Unless parents make other arrangements, these children will be taken to their Pathways classrooms at the conclusion of worship.

Exploration Hour

PATHWAYS (Age 3 to grade 5) - From 10:00 am to 11:00 am, in room 210 on the upper level. This multi-age class is made to teach and accommodate all needs/ages. A pre-packaged snack will be served.

THE OASIS (grades 6-12) - From 10:15 am to 11:00 am, in the Fireside Room on the lower level. Oasis is a loving place where youth from grades 6-12 can have fun, feel accepted, and grow.

YoPro Bible Study—From 10:15 am to 11:15 am, in the Tower Room above the Sanctuary. We're a group of grad students and early career folks that are exploring the what's next season of life. We do some formal programming, but mostly we're a group of friends laughing, learning, and figuring out faith together.

Adult Education—From 10:15 am to 11:00 am, in Westminster Hall on the lower level. Adult Ed is a rotation of different offerings from our community.

Connect—From 10:15 am to 11:00 am, in Room 10 on the lower level. This is an adult offering to deepen your relationship with others and with God by contemplating scripture, lyrics, writing, poetry, and other topics of interest through small group discussions.