



Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 17, 2024

9:00 am

Gathering Around the Word

Prelude "Intermezzo" Johannes Brahms
Op. 118, No. 2

Invitation to Attentiveness John Porter

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. The right side of the congregation (organ and piano side) sings first and the left side echoes.

<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** Fiona Woodruff

Leader: God, you are our home in every season, for all time

People: You have been our home before the mountains were formed, before the first sunrise.

Leader: Through every new beginning until after all things have reached their ending

People: We find our home in you

Leader: We are known, we are loved, we find energy and experience rest

People: When we remain in the persistent flow of your love.

All: Let us worship God.

***Hymn No. 51** "To Abraham and Sarah"

Hearing the Word

Opening Prayer Evan Embser

First Scripture Reading Jeremiah 31:31-34 Fiona Woodruff & Evan Embser

Anthem "Lead Me to the Cross" Brooke Ligertwood
Chrysalis

Children's Time Emptying John's Stole Pockets Deannine Shipman & John Porter

Song after Children's Time "Tell Me the Stories of Jesus" [STORIES OF JESUS]
William H. Parker
*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.*

Second Scripture Reading

Hebrews 5:5-10

John Porter

Sermon

John Porter

Responding to the Word

*Hymn No. 69

“I, the Lord of Sea and Sky”

Reception of Youth Members by Profession of Faith

Presentation of the Youth

Questions of Profession of Faith

Apostle’s Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord.

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Questions of the congregation

Closing Prayer

Welcome & Congregational Response

Congregational Response Hymn No. 547 v. 1

Announcements

Allison Maus

Call to Offering

Allison Maus

Please place your written reflections in the offering plate.

Offertory Anthem

“O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”

arr. Arnold Sherman

Handbell Choir

***Doxology**

“Lenten Doxology”

[OLD 100TH]

Praise God throughout these forty days.

Words by G. W. Dub Shepherd

Praise Christ, our Lord, whom God did raise.

And praise the Spirit who imparts

God’s love in Christ into our hearts.

Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication**

John Porter

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Closing of the Interim Covenant

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer

John Porter

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.

*Hymn No. 767

“Together We Serve”

*Charge

*Choral Benediction

“Gaelic Blessing”

John Rutter

*Benediction

Postlude

“And Can It Be?”

arr. by Tim Doran

Ushers this Morning:

Head Usher: Scott Banfield

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

Information Desk: Jenny Van Hook

Greeters this Morning:

Fraser Street: John and Connie DiNunzio

Parking Lot: Danielle Rhubarb and Rachel Rothenberger

Coffee Hour:

Host: Diana Malcom

Assisting: Blair Malcom and Margaret VanFossan

Sanctuary Flowers: The Sanctuary flowers are in honor of Chuck and Jill Curley given by Rick Bryant and Carolyn Bryant.

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. Be sure 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.



Today we welcome one of our 4th Grade LOGOS students, Fiona Woodruff and Evan Embser, to worship leadership. Fiona, Evan, and the other children in our 3rd/4th Grade LOGOS Bible class are learning all about WORSHIP, with their teachers, Deannine Shipman and Patt Campolongo.

Adult Education Today

Join the SCPC Sunday Schedule Survey Team today in Westminster Hall while they hold a listening session. When is the best time for worship, education programs (Sunday school, Connect, adult Ed), and coffee hour for our community? Please join us for a special listening session to share your ideas and concerns and hear what others have to say on this topic. A second listening session will be held on Zoom at 4:00 pm

“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.

Pastor Porter’s “bye-pie” Celebration — Today!

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 today during Coffee Hour.

Palm Sunday

All children and youth are invited with their families to attend the Palm Sunday service which features our LOGOS Musical (“The Tale of the Three Trees”), and then all are invited to the Palm Sunday breakfast afterwards.

Due to this special Sunday, there will not be separate classes for children and youth. All should enjoy breakfast.

There will not be Children, Worship, and Song during the worship service either, again due to the musical. Worship bags will be available for young children in the back of the sanctuary. Families are invited to sit up close so they can see the musical better!

We will have regular classes and programs on Easter!

We are happy to welcome the youth from our Explore group, our newest members, who are received today by Profession of Faith. We look forward to their active participation in the life of the church: Cade Behrer, Santino DePalma, Talia DePalma, Eli Frank, Kate Gilmore, Luca Snyder, Gracie Stafford, and Lily Stone.

Welcome!

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—Pastor Porter's "Bye-Pie" Celebration—Social Hall
- 10:15 am Adult Education—Westminster Hall
- 10:15 am Connect—Rm 10
- 10:15 am Oasis—Fireside Rm
- 10:15 am YoPro Bible Study—Tower Rm
- 11:30 am Session—Martin Rm
- 3:00 pm Spiritual Life Retreat—ReFarm
- 4:00 pm Sunday Schedule Survey Team Listening Session—Zoom

Monday, March 18th

- 10:00 am Donald Gross Memorial Service
- 6:00 pm Stay and Play Advisory Team Meeting—Zoom
- 7:00 pm CAYAM—Zoom
- 7:00 pm Scout Den Meeting—Rm 10 & 11
- 7:00 pm Scout Troop Meeting—Westminster Hall
- 7:00 pm Virtual Centering Prayer—Zoom
- 7:00 pm Youth Ministry Advisory Committee—Martin Rm

Tuesday, March 19th

- 8:00 am Building and Property Committee—Rm 10
- 9:00 am SMART Work Day
- 10:00 am Chuck Naginey Memorial Service
- 12:00 pm Congregational Prayer Meeting—Zoom
- 4:00 pm LOGOS Geckos
- 5:15 pm LOGOS Chrysalis
- 7:30 pm Handbell Choir Practice

Wednesday, March 20th

- Stay and Play Spring Photos—Social Hall
- 12:00 pm Wednesday in the Word—Zoom/Fireside Rm
 - 6:00 pm FISH
 - 8:00 pm Women's Fellowship—Federal Taphouse

Thursday, March 21st

- Stay and Play Spring Photos—Social Hall
- 6:00 pm Presbyterian Student Fellowship—Fireside Rm
 - 7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal
 - 7:00 pm Men's Covenant Group—Martin Rm

Friday, March 22nd

- 4:15 pm LOGOS Musical Rehearsal—Sanctuary/Social Hall

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 24th

Palm Sunday

LOGOS Musical

- 8:30 am Childcare Available—Rm 102
- **9:00 am Worship Service**
- 10:00 am Palm Sunday Breakfast—Social Hall/Westminster Hall
- 10:00 am Directory Photo Session—Tower Entrance and Martin Rm
- 11:00 am Sunday Schedule Survey Team Listening Session

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.

