

Forth Sunday in Lent

March 19, 2023 9:00 am

Gathering Around the Word

The Season

Prelude "Gratitude" Alex Guebert
The Handbell Choir

Word of Welcome John Porter

Introit Forty Days and Forty Nights



*Call to Worship Adeline Richardson

Leader: Can our weary-souls be brought to new life?

People: God's Word speaks new life over us!

Leader: Can our bones dance again after loss and sorrow?

People: God's Spirit comforts and inspires us!

Leader: How will we celebrate God's gift of new life? **People: We worship God with singing and dancing!**

*Hymn No. 366 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

*Call to Confession Vivian Petrich

*Prayer of Confession Vivian Petrich

God of new life, your ways are good and your love is true. You call us to be your voices and we stay silent. You call us to be your hands and we keep them in our pockets. You call us to be your feet and we go our own way. Forgive us and breathe new life into us! We want to experience your freedom so that our hearts, souls, and bodies might declare your goodness and love. Amen.

*Hymn No. 575 "Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us"

*Assurance of Pardon Vivian Petrich

*Passing of the Peace John Porter

Hearing the Word

Prayer for Inspiration Ezra Blumsack

First Scripture Reading Ezekiel 37:1-14 Ezra Blumsack

Anthem "Dem Bones" Arranged by Audrey Snyder

Chrysalis

Time for ChildrenDeannine Shipman

See "Children in Worship"

Song After Children's Time "As Each New Horizon Beckons" [HOLY MANNA]

Second Scripture Reading

John 11:1-45

Allison Maus

Sermon Allison Maus

Responding to the Word

*Hymn No. 809 "Why Has God Forsaken Me?"

*Affirmation of Faith—Apostle's Creed Allison Maus

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

Announcements Allison Maus

Welcoming New Members

Call to Offering Allison Maus

Offertory Anthem "When Jesus Wept" William Billings

The Chancel Choir

*Doxology Hymn No. 609 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

*Prayer of Dedication Allison Maus

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

John Porter

Prayers of the People 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. 312 "Take Us As We Are, O God"

*Charge & Benediction Allison Maus & John Porter

Postlude "Requiem for Bells" Ned Wetherald

The Handbell Choir

Ushers this Morning:

Head Usher: Kimberly–Dawn Falk

Ushers: Curt Dell, Margaret Van Fossan, Reed Miller and

Katie Nurmi

Information Desk: Bizz Maser

Greeters this Morning: Fraser Street: Ellen Coffman Parking Lot: Cyril Kumachang

Coffee Hour:

Host: Jamey Perry

Assistants: Scott Cole and Dick Bundy

Sanctuary Flowers: The sanctuary flowers are to extend our thanks to our church family for their prayers and well-wishes for healing of our medical challenges during the past two months, given by Don and Barbara Gross.

Adult Offerings Today

"Connect" Room 10

This ongoing weekly small group discussion led by Bizz and Zack Maser, and Jamie Bauman

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.

Adult Ed will not be meeting today due to the Congregational Meeting. Next week, Cheryl Price and Mitch Kirsch will share about the service Trip to Hekima Place.





Congregational Meeting—TODAY

The Session has called a congregational meeting following worship today to receive the Pastor Visioning Team report and elect a Pastor Nominating Committee to conduct the active search for our next Senior Pastor. See our website, scpresby.org, or paper copies will be available in the sanctuary

The Nominating Committee will present a slate of candidates for election to the Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC). They are:

Jamie Bauman, Bob Igo, Rob Leicht, Laura Millard, Jerry Sawyer, Katie Stone, and Steve Van Hook





Sunday, March 19th

- 8:30 am Childcare Available—Room 101
- 9:00 am Worship Service
- Creative Movement & Music and Children and Worship—After the Children's Message
- 10:00 am Exploration Hour for All Ages
- 10:00 am Coffee Fellowship
- 10:00 Congregational Meeting
- 10:15 am Connect—Room 10
- 11:30 am Session—Martin Room

Monday, March 20th

- 11:00 am Lenten Study—Room 10
- 5:30 pm SJMT—Zoom
- 5:30 pm Worship Committee Meeting—Room 10
- 6:00 pm Stay and Play Advisory Team Meeting— 700m
- 7:00 pm Scouts—Westminster Hall
- 7:00 pm Virtual Centering Prayer—Zoom

Tuesday, March 21st

- 8:00 am Building and Property Committee Meeting—Social Hall
- 9:00 am SMART Work Day
- 9:00 am Stay and Play Musical Field Trip
- 10:00 am Staff Meeting
- 12:00 pm Congregational Prayer Meeting—Zoom
- 4:00 pm LOGOS Geckos
- 5:00 pm LOGOS Chrysalis
- 7:15 pm Congregational Fellowship Meeting— Room 10
- 7:15 pm Hekima Meeting—Martin Room
- 7:30 pm Handbell Choir

Wednesday, March 22nd

- 9:00 am Stay and Play Musical Field Trip
- 6:00 pm FISH
- 8:15 pm POLO Women's Bible Study—Zoom

Thursday, March 23rd

- 6:00 pm PSF—Fireside Room
- 7:00 pm Chancel Choir
- 7:00 pm Men's Covenant Group—Martin Room

Friday, March 24th

4:30 pm LOGOS Musical Rehearsal and Pizza Party

Saturday, March 25th

2:00 pm Eagle Scout Court of Honor





Sunday, March 26th LOGOS Musical

- 8:30 am Childcare Available—Room 101
- 9:00 am Worship Service
- Creative Movement & Music and Children and Worship—After the Children's Message
- 10:00 am Coffee Fellowship
- 10:00 am Exploration Hour for All Ages
- 10:15 am Adult Education
- 10:30 am YoPro Bible Study—Tower Room
- 11:00 am Deacons Meeting—Martin Room
- 1:30 pm Youth Advisory Committee Meeting—Zoom
- 6:00 pm Watch Party—Fireside Room

Children in Worship

9:00 am Worship - Children of all ages are invited to come forward for the children's message. Following this time, children 3 years old by September 1, 2022, through grade 3, are welcome to leave for special programs.

Creative Movement and Music (Ages 3-K) meets in Westminster Hall.

Children and Worship (Grades 1,2, & 3) meets in Room 11. Unless parents make other arrangements, these children will be taken to their Pathways classrooms at the conclusion of these programs. Infant and Toddler Care (through age 3) are available in Room 101 throughout the morning.

Exploration Hour

PATHWAYS (Preschool and Elementary) meet in separate age groups, and begin around 10:00 am 3's,4's, and K meet in Room 103, main level - we provide a light snack to our pre schoolers.

1st– 5th Grade meet upstairs in Room 210 Once a month we will combine all children for a special MUSIC experience with our own Ned Wetherald.

THE OASIS (grades 6-12) meet in the Fireside Room at 10:15 am each Sunday, with both Middle School and High School ages together until the group grows too large!

For more information about the church and our programs please visit our website at scpresby.org

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.

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