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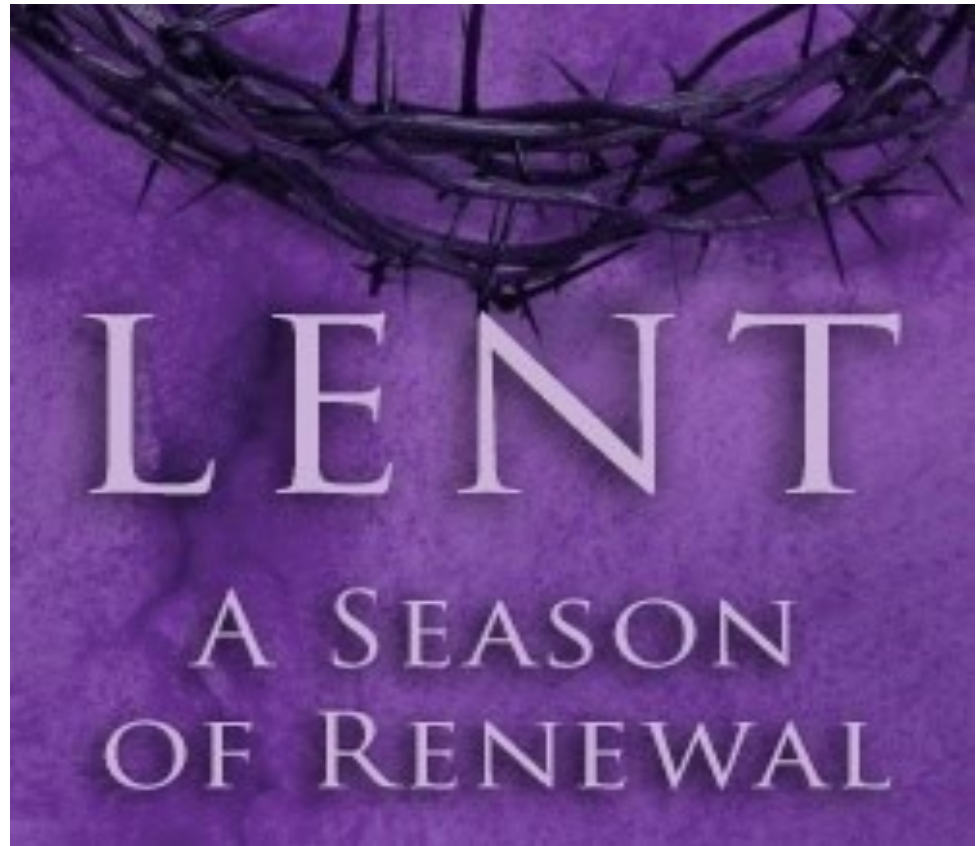
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Remembering and honoring the past; Moving forward in unity and grace.

Simpsonville Presbyterian Church

Simpsonville, SC

"Growing Together in Faith – Loving and Serving in the World"

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

March 6, 2022

1st Sunday in Lent

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS

The wearing of masks during service and singing hymns is optional.

NOTE: This service may be video recorded.

Please stand if you are able where asterisk.

PRELUDE "Be Thou My Vision" arr. Pethel

***OUR CALL TO WORSHIP** Jerry Kross, Liturgist

Leader: The God of our ancestors heard our cries and saw our oppression when we were slaves in Egypt.

People: God brought us out with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with signs and wonders God brought us through the wilderness.

Leader: The Lord, our shelter, our refuge, our dwelling place, says,

People: "When my people call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble; I will show them my salvation."

***OPENING HYMN #288 "I Sing the Mighty Power of God"**

"I Stand Amazed in the Presence"

*I stand amazed in the presence
of Jesus the Nazarene,
and wonder how he could love me,
a sinner, condemned, unclean.*

Refrain:

*How marvelous! How wonderful!
And my song shall ever be:
How marvelous! How wonderful
Is my Savior's love for me!*

*When with the ransomed in glory
his face I at last shall see,
'twill be my joy through the ages
to sing of his love for me.*

(Refrain)

***PRAYER OF ADORATION**

LEGACY PROJECT: Following are the two questions concerning our congregation that Session will be discussing in March:

- What is the passion level of our Worship? Does our worship encourage people to offer themselves to God every week? Does our worship provide opportunities for people to experience what is being preached and taught?
- Is testimony from members of the congregation a regular part of our worship?

We welcome any input from the congregation.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Please sign up to volunteer as Liturgist, Ushers, or to bring refreshments and/or pulpit flowers. Sign-up sheets are on the back table.

BIBLE STUDY: Simon Peter: This Bible Study began this morning. If you would like to participate, please contact Barb Daugherty.

LEGACY MEETING: The Legacy Team will meet on Thursday, March 10th, at 2 p.m. at the Church. All are invited to attend.

GAMES: Join us for card playing on Wednesday, March 9th, at 11 a.m. at the Church. Bring your own lunch.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME: Remember to move your clocks forward one hour before bed next Saturday, March 12th. Daylight savings begins at midnight.

LIFE IN THE CONGREGATION

PRAYER CONCERNS: Pastor Cassie, John Jackson; Jean Kirkland, Sue Marshall's mother, Barbara; Michael Kolmer (Sue Marshall's brother); Bob Marshall (Bill Marshall (PA)'s father; Bobby & Martha Gault family (friends of Linda Marshall); Richie & Barbara Deroches (friends of Linda & Bill Marshall); Mac Parks (former member); Hector & Susan Medina; Joe Vaitkevicius; Rev. Small's daughter Madeline; Gail West (for the loss of her brother-in-law); Chuck (Candie Vaitkevicius' brother); Cora Larsen (Linda Marshall's mother); the Shelf family (for the loss of Teresa's brother); Dan Mills (brother of Barb Daugherty—Missionary to Papua New Guinea); Ivy Bertuzzi; Pat Clark; Elizabeth Cooper; Dixie Suit (sister-in-law of Kitty Shealy); Roger Edney & Jen Gibson (relatives of Barb & Roger Daugherty). Do not hesitate to call or email the Church Office (office@firstpressimpsonville.com) about any pastoral concerns.

VIDEO RECORDINGS: Video recordings of services that have been previously recorded are available on the Church's website: www.firstpressimpsonville.com. Click on "Videos" in the menu at the top or click on the picture of a worship service in the lower right."

PULPIT SUPPLY: Mar. 13: Mary Anne Welch (communion)
Mar. 20: Justin Cazel
Mar. 27: Nancy Blakely

TASTY TREATS AND TRIVIA: Mark your calendars for this fun evening on Friday, March 18th, from 6:30-8 p.m. Teams will compete to see who will be the Trivia Champs. A sign-up sheet is placed on the back table or you may call the office and let Jackie know. Team sizes will be determined by the number of participants, and teams will be selected by a random draw. Family and friends are invited and encouraged to attend. Tasty treats and drinks will be provided and prizes will be awarded to the winning team.

Deadline to register is next Sunday, March 13th. We hope everyone will come out for this first event to celebrate our 100th Anniversary! Rides to and from the Fellowship Hall will be provided to those needing them.

CALL TO CONFESSION

CONFESSION OF OUR SIN (unison prayer)

O God, our refuge and fortress, forgive us when we fail to trust in you. We fall to temptation; we are swayed by false words; we speak false words of our own. We choose our ease and comfort over your demanding claims upon us and upon the world. In turning from you, we settle for less than the abundant generosity you intend. Forgive us, we pray. Do not let us be put to shame, O God. Hear us as we call to you and show us your salvation. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Scripture declares, The Lord is generous to all who call on God's name. Friends believe the good news: God does not turn away from us, but desires to bring us into the glorious freedom offered in Jesus Christ. Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

All: Thanks be to God!

RESPONSE: "Oh, I Know the Lord's Laid His Hands on Me"

*Oh, I know the Lord, I know the Lord,
I know the Lord's laid his hands on me.
O, I know the Lord, I know the Lord,
I know the Lord's laid his hands on me.*

HYMN #289

"O God of Every Nation"

SILENT PRAYER: A few moments of silent communication with God.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

SERMON

Rev. Lindsay Small

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sits on the right

hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Joys and Concerns of the People and The Lord's Prayer

The 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,
The power, and the glory,
For ever and ever. Amen.

PROCLAMATION OF OFFERING AND PRAYER

(the offering plate is located on a back table in the sanctuary just inside the back double doors.)

OFFERTORY "Beneath the Cross of Jesus" arr. Thygerson

*The Doxology

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*CLOSING HYMN #536 "Lord, Make Us More Holy"

BENEDICTION

RESPONSE: "Share His Love"

*Share His love by telling what the Lord has done for you.
Share His love by sharing of your faith
And show the world that Jesus Christ is real to you
Every moment, every day!*

POSTLUDE "The Glory of These Forty Days" Geistliche Lieder

WELCOME TO SIMPSONVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH! Whether you are a long-time member or first time visitor, we are glad you are here. If you would like to learn more about the Simpsonville Presbyterian community, we invite you to contact us through our website www.firstpresssimpsonville.com, or by calling the church office at (864) 963-8854.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS AND REFRESHMENTS today are given by Gail West. Thank you.

BIBLE STORY BAGS are available for children during worship. See an usher if you would like one for your child to use. Please return the bag to an usher after worship.

We welcome to our pulpit today Rev. Lindsay Small. Rev. Small is an ordained minister and recent transplant to the Upstate from West Michigan. She has an M.Div. from North Park Seminary in Chicago and has served churches in Stockholm, Sweden; Chicago; Minneapolis, and most recently Holland, Michigan. Lindsay also served as a grant director and teaching assistant at Western Theological Seminary in Holland. She and her husband, Kyle, live in Greenville and have three children: Micah, Madeline, and Maggie.

PRAYER FAMILIES OF THE WEEK: Ivy & Rick Bertuzzi, Bill & Sue Marshall

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Jeff VandeWeghe (03/07)