

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent

March 3, 2024

11:00 a.m.

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Greeters: Elizabeth Price and Lori Gast  
Liturgist: Pat Nash

**PRELUDE:** “*Voluntary on IT IS WELL*” - VILLE DU HAVRE, arr. John S. Dixon

## CHIMING THE HOUR

**GREETINGS** Psalm 118 says: **This is the Day that the Lord hath made, let us rejoice and be glad in it! Good morning and welcome. It is so nice to see all of you here this morning. Visitors, please sign the attendance registers located in each row.**

**Please stand, in body or spirit, and join me in our Call to Worship and remain standing through the response.**

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: **The heavens are telling the glory of God,**  
People: **And the firmament proclaims His handiwork.**  
All: **Let us worship God.**

### \*PRAISE CHORUS:

Hymn No. 12 “*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*” – vs. 1 ST. DENIO  
**Im-mor-tal, in-vis-i-ble, God only wise,  
in light in-ac-ces-si-ble hid from our eyes,  
most bless-ed, most glo-rious, the Ancient of Days,  
Al-might-y, vic-to-rious, Thy great name we praise.**

**Please bow your heads for our Opening Prayer**

**\*OPENING PRAYER** **In the beauty of Your morning, we come to You, O Lord, to give our thanks and praise. It is a spirit of Joy we approach Your throne and worship You, the one true and living God. Be present in our worship and in our lives. Amen.**

**Our first hymn today is:**

**\*HYMN** No. 394 “*Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation*” WESTMINSTER ABBEY

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION** **If we say we are without sin, we deceive ourselves. Let us confess our sins before Almighty God.**

**Let us pray together**

## **\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Merciful God, forgive us for sins against You and against those around us. Be known to us through word and deed, showing us Your way. Though we struggle to work for justice, we often fail. We send money to those in need around the world and fail to notice those who are struggling right outside our door. Forgive our lack of awareness and help us to see what You would have us do. (Say – “Please pray silently,” and after about 20 seconds, say...) In Jesus’ name, Amen.

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON** Brothers and sisters in Christ, believe the good news of the Gospel. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

## **\*RESPONSE:**

Hymn No. 469 “*Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying*” CHILDREN PRAYING  
Lord, lis-ten to Your chil-dren pray-ing. Lord, send Your Spir-it in this place.  
Lord, lis-ten to Your chil-dren pray-ing. Send us love, send us power, send us grace.

**You may be seated.**

**A TIME FOR YOUTH** At this time would our youth please come forward.

**Please bow your heads for our Prayer for Illumination**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION** Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to You, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer. Amen.

**PSALTER LESSON** Our Psalter Lesson comes from Psalm 19, please read it responsively with me.

Leader: The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims His handiwork.

People: Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge.

Leader: There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard;

People: yet their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In the heavens He has set a tent for the sun,

Leader: which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy, and like a strong man runs its course with joy.

People: Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them; and nothing is hid from its heat.

Leader: The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul; the decrees of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple;

People: the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the Lord is clear, enlightening the eyes;

Leader: the fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever; the ordinances of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

People: More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb.

Leader: Moreover by them is Your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

**People:** But who can detect their errors? Clear me from hidden faults.

**Leader:** **Keep back Your servant also from the insolent; do not let them have dominion over me. Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression.**

**People:** Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to You, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

**Leader:** **The Word of the Lord.**

**People:** Thanks be to God!

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON** Our Old Testament Lesson comes from **Exodus 20:1-17** you may follow along in your pew Bibles on page 66 of the Old Testament

Exodus 20:1-17

**20**Then God spoke all these words: <sup>2</sup>I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; <sup>3</sup>you shall have no other gods before me. <sup>4</sup>You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. <sup>5</sup>You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, <sup>6</sup>but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments. <sup>7</sup>You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. <sup>8</sup>Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. <sup>9</sup>Six days you shall labor and do all your work. <sup>10</sup>But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. <sup>11</sup>For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

<sup>12</sup>Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you. <sup>13</sup>You shall not murder. <sup>14</sup>You shall not commit adultery. <sup>15</sup>You shall not steal. <sup>16</sup>You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. <sup>17</sup>You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

**Leader:** The Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God!

**The choir will now sing the Anthem:**

**ANTHEM:** "Medley of the Cross" - Anna Laura Page and Jean Anne Shafferman

**GOSPEL LESSON** Our Gospel Lesson comes from John 2:13-22 you may follow along in your pew Bibles on page 93 of the New Testament

John 2:13-22

<sup>13</sup>The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup>In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. <sup>15</sup>Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. <sup>16</sup>He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" <sup>17</sup>His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." <sup>18</sup>The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" <sup>19</sup>Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." <sup>20</sup>The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" <sup>21</sup>But he was speaking of the temple of his body. <sup>22</sup>After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

**SERMON**

Rev. Janet Boyanton

**Those who are able, please stand and join with me in singing:**

**\*HYMN** No. 516 "*For the Bread Which You Have Broken*" KINGDOM

**Please join me in Affirmation of Faith as it is printed in your bulletin.**

**\*AFFIRMATION** The Apostles' Creed (Traditional)

**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 sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick 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.**

**\*RESPONSE:** Hymn No. 581 "*Glory Be to the Father*"

GLORIA PATRI

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end, Amen, amen.**

**You may be seated, and now I would like to bring you a Minute for Mission**

**MINUTE FOR MISSION**

Pat Nash

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** **It is time for announcements, does anybody have an announcement they would like to make?**

**CELEBRATION OF COMMUNITY** **And now it is time for our Prayer Concerns and Celebrations. Does anybody have anything they would like to share?**

### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**OFFERTORY:** *“Communion with God”* - Franklin Ritter

**\*RESPONSE:** Hymn No. 606 **“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”**

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

**Please join me in our prayer of Thanksgiving**

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**Thank You, Lord, for the bounty You have given us. Make us ever grateful and aware of Your gifts to us. Use our gifts to further Your kingdom in this world. Amen.**

### **INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE**

### **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

(For the music used during the prayer turn to #552, 553, and 554 in the hymnal.)

**Pastor:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** **And also with you.**

**Pastor:** Lift up your hearts.

**People:** **We lift them to the Lord.**

**Pastor:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People:** **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**Pastor:** To the one true and living God...

Therefore, we praise You, joining our voices with the choirs of angels and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of Your name:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of Your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is He Who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

How wonderful are the works of Your hands, Holy God, and how gracious is the gift of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior...

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.  
Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

Breathe on us, breath of God, and upon these gifts of bread and cup...

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever. **Amen, Amen, Amen.**

## **COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE**

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

#### **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 and the power and the glory, forever. Amen**

#### **Our last Hymn today is:**

**\* HYMN** No. 826 "*Lift High the Cross*" CRUCIFER

#### **\*BENEDICTION**

#### **\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE:**

Hymn No. 205 "*Live in Charity*" (*Sing twice*) UBI CARITAS (Taize)

**Live in char-i-ty and stead-fast love.**

**Live in char-i-ty; God will dwell with you.**

#### **\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

#### **\*POSTLUDE:**

*"Awake, Thou Wintry Earth"* - VREUCHTEN, Dutch Carol, arr. Tom Birchwood

**\*Those who are able may stand.**

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Please join us for Refreshments  
Following the Worship Service

# Daily Bread

Supplement

DeSoto Presbyterian Church [www.desotopresbyterian.org](http://www.desotopresbyterian.org)

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## **CLOTHES FOR THE NEEDY AND GLASSES FOR THE LIONS CLUB**

We will continue to collect clothes for the needy and glasses for the Lions Club. Please bring in your donations and put them in the designated places in the Opportunity Corner.

## **HEARING ASSIST UNITS**

Thanks to Barry Krueger we now have Hearing Assist Units. If you would like to use one, please see Barry before the Worship Service begins.

## **DESOTO FOOD PANTRY**

DeSoto Food Pantry needs the help of the community to continue to feed the less fortunate in our city. The best way to help is through monetary donations. \$1 can buy as much as \$7 worth of food. They buy their food through the North Texas Food Bank, so it is much cheaper than buying food at a grocery store. However, all donations are welcome and appreciated. Thank you to all that continue to donate to this great cause.

## **THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES**

### **TUESDAY**

10:30 AM Tuesday Morning Group

### **THURSDAY**

10:00 AM Art Group

### **NEXT SUNDAY – Daylight Savings Time begins**

09:30 AM Choir practice

10:30 AM Adult Sunday School

11:00 AM Worship Service

## **PRAYER CONCERNS**

Our Leaders

Our Presbytery, our church, our Session

Our Troops

Joe and Lorrinda Alexander

Thomas Alexander – please continue to pray for him

Continued prayers for Bryson

Jim Glander

Martha Brashear – continued prayers

The church and nation of Ukraine

Makia's people in Cameroon

Gene Knox and Jewell Victorino

DeSoto Food Pantry

Prayers for the people in Nigeria

Max Jewell is at home, but needs our continued prayers as he is still recovering

Chikezie is very weak

Bryan's mom

Christians in Pakistan

Janet

The Israel-Hamas War

Prayers for those who are hungry

Prayers for all those who are without shelter during this cold snap.

Sue Fitch passed away, prayers for her family and friends

Clyde Lockhart is in rehab with RSV and needs our continued prayers

Joe's friend Tony Petril was found unresponsive and is in the hospital

## **CELEBRATIONS**

Elizabeth turned 96!