



**GEORGETOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
GEORGETOWN, DE 19947**

March 16, 2025  
10 a.m.

*\*INDICATES THAT THE CONGREGATION IS INVITED TO STAND IF ABLE; OTHERWISE PLEASE STAY SEATED; THE SPIRIT WILL BE WITH YOU EITHER WAY.*

## **CHIMING OF THE HOUR**

*CHIMES*

## **WORDS OF WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*REV. BARBARA MACFIE*

## **PRELUDE**

***“FAIREST LORD JESUS”***

*CHIMES*

## **\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

*NORMAN BERGSTROM, WORSHIP LEADER*

The Psalmist sings, One thing I asked of the Lord, that I will seek after:

to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in God’s temple.

Sisters and brothers, God is good, and in love and mercy greets us here.

God is with us and sustains us.

## **\*OPENING HYMN**

***“BE THOU MY VISION”***

#502

## **\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

## **\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION** *(UNISON)*

Merciful God, you have made us citizens of heaven, but we confess that we have set our minds on earthly things. We have let our desire for security restrain our commitment to serve the poor. We have let our fear of danger curb our obligation to love our enemies. We have let our love of things dull our generosity to the needy. We have let our craving for public status prevent our honesty about hidden sins. Yet, you know the desires of our heart, and nothing is hidden from you. By the power of the Holy Spirit, conform our sin-weakened bodies to the glory of Christ, that we may be the body of Christ for the world. Amen.

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

God, our light and our salvation, does not forsake us or leave us with our sin. In Christ we are forgiven and offered the gift of healing repentance. **Thanks be to God.**

**\*RESPONSE****“GLORY BE TO THE FATHER”**

#734

*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.*

**PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION****FIRST READING****GENESIS 15:1-12, 17 & 18** <sup>(NRSV)</sup>

OT, P. 11-12

**FAITH SHARING WITH CHILDREN AND YOUTH****HYMN****“GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS”**

#72

**SECOND READING****LUKE 13:31-35** <sup>(NRSV)</sup>

NT, P. 72

**SERMON***REV. BARBARA MACFIE***TESTIMONIALS****\*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 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.



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**Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah.** Public Domain.

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**Feasting on the Word:** Liturgies for Year C, Vol 1, Kimberly Bracken Long, Ed.

## ***WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE LIFE OF OUR CONGREGATION?***

### ***Calendar of Events***

March 16	Annual Meeting after Worship with Chili Cookoff/Country Auction
March 21-22	Scrapbooking Fundraiser
March 23	MISSION Committee Monthly Meeting after Worship
March 27	Chimes Rehearsal @ 10 a.m. Adult Bible Study @ 11 a.m. to Noon Youth Meeting via Zoom @ 8 p.m.
April 6	CONNECT Monthly Meeting (First Sunday of Month)

## ***Opportunities to WORSHIP***

Sunday Services

10 a.m. in person, Zoom or  
Facebook Streaming

Choir Practice takes place immediately after worship.

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## ***Opportunities to GROW***

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### **Sunday School**

Sunday School for children will be offered EVERY Sunday during worship following Faith Sharing Time. The Youth will remain in the Worship service. However, Youth in 6th grade through High School are welcome to join our online gathering each Thursday evening at 8:00pm. Contact Sharon Lawrence or email the office and Nancy will send you the Zoom link.

### **Confirmation Class**

Today, the Confirmands will meet to create their Confirmation stoles. Our confirmation class will be members on Easter Sunday. Please keep the Confirmation class in your prayers.

### **Lenten Bible Study**

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY continues on Thursdays at 11:00 am in the Gathering Room. Norm Bergstrom will lead us in the study of Handel's Messiah, Hallelujah. There are extra books available if you would like to join the study.

### **Looking Ahead!!!**

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**----Save these dates to a part of our Marketplace VBS---Monday, **August 11-14**, from 5:30-7:00 pm. Tunnell Hall will be transformed into a Marketplace for the week while we journey as tribes through Biblical times. Begin to think how you could help in this ministry.

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## *Opportunities to CONNECT*

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March 16	Logan Matz	March 20	Austin Gulab
March 18	Joseph Garvilla	March 22	Sara Choudhary
		March 25	Don Hallowell



Mar 15	Bobby & Caroline Gulab	Apr 4	Amanda & Cory Matz
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***IF YOU ARE VISITING WITH US— WE ARE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!***

*WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US EACH SUNDAY MORNING AT 10:00 FOR WORSHIP.*

*FOR INFORMATION ABOUT OPPORTUNITIES TO WORSHIP, CONNECT, GROW, AND SERVE, OR FOR JOINING OUR FELLOWSHIP, PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE AT (302) 856-6842.*

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