

CHURCH SESSION

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Grace Presbyterian Church

Worships God at 11:00 a.m.

March 8, 2020

Second Sunday in Lent

The Bell Calls Us to Worship

The congregation stands

Silent Procession by choir and pastor

The congregation sits

Introit by the Choir Christ, We Do All Adore Thee Theodore Dubois, 1899

Christ, we do all adore thee, and we do praise thee forever,
for on the holy cross hast thou the world from sin redeemed.

Prayer to the Lamb of God

After each section of the prayer, the congregation joins the pastor, saying: **Lord, have mercy.**

Hymn 366 Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me St. Catherine

Prayer of Confession Unison

God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost.

We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way.

**We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained,
and great when we are small.**

We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth.

Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin.

Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ our Savior ...

Silent Prayers of Confession

Kyrie by the Choir

David N. Johnson, 1972

Concluding Prayer by the Pastor

Assurance of Pardon – Epistle

Romans 8:31-39

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 481 Praise the Lord, God's Glories Show Llanfair

Opening Sentences

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: **The maker of heaven and earth.**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray.

Prayer for the Day (spoken by the pastor; the congregation joining the **Amen**.)
God of all times and places, in Jesus Christ, lifted up on the cross, you opened for us the path to eternal life. Grant that we, being born of water and the Spirit, may joyfully serve you in newness of life and faithfully walk in your holy ways; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Pastor: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Passing of the Peace (Worshippers greet one another with the peace of Christ.)

Welcome and Announcements

The children bring their ringing offering and come to the **Baptismal Font** for a

Time for Young Christians

Old Testament

Genesis 12:1-4

Psalm 121

Unison

I lift up my eyes unto the hills. From where will my help come?

My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.

He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade at your right hand.

The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.

The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.

The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in

from this time forth and forevermore.

Anthem

Lamb of God

John Carter, 1989

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Have mercy upon us. Grant us peace.

Gospel

John 12:1-8; 19:38-42

Sermon

Before It's Too Late

Dr. Donald K. McKim

“Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus’ feet, and wiped them with her hair” (John 12:3). “Nicodemus, who had at first come to Jesus by night, also came, bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, weighing about a hundred pounds” (John 19:39).

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 359

More Love to Thee, O Christ More Love to Thee

Apostles’ Creed

Unison; Hymnal, page 14, Traditional

Gloria Patri 579

Henry W. Greatorex, 1851

The congregation sits.

Pastoral Prayer of Thanksgiving, Intercession, and Dedication

The Lord’s Prayer (debts/debtors) Unison; Hymnal, page 16, Traditional

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Be Thou My Vision arr. James Pethe

The congregation stands to sing the

Doxology 592

Old Hundredth

Benediction

Recessional Hymn 151 Crown Him with Many Crowns Diademata

Welcome to worship at Grace Presbyterian Church. Today is the second Sunday in the season of Lent, which began with Ash Wednesday on February 26, and extends for 40 days (excluding Sundays), concluding with Holy Saturday, April 11. Our order of service seeks to reflect the penitential nature of this season, as we in heart and mind join Jesus in his 40 days in the wilderness.