

Jesus said to him, “Away from me, Satan! For it is written:  
‘Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only.’”

Matthew 4:10



Grace Presbyterian Church

Fort Wayne, IN

February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent

Community Worship on Zoom – Live Stream/Replay on Facebook

## Sunday Service – February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022

How can we pray for you? Let us know at [prayerrequests@gpcfww.org](mailto:prayerrequests@gpcfww.org) or in the Zoom/Facebook Chat!

We invite you to join in the liturgy by speaking the parts in **\*BOLD\*** with us from your homes!  
10:15 – Zoom Meeting Starts ~ ~ ~ 10:20 – Facebook Live Stream Starts

10:30 – Live Prelude Starts      *I Surrender All* by Weeden

Welcome

Pastor Kevin

### Call to Worship

Welcome pilgrims on the way to the cross.

**We are learning to follow Jesus.**

For those who feel Christ near,

**May we not turn away from the discomfort of the journey ahead.**

For those who feel as far from Christ as the desert is from the ocean,

**May we find Christ in the wilderness with us.**

For all of us who stumble and fall in our silence, indifference, and lack of generosity,

**May we reach for the hand of Christ, who raises us up to continue on the journey.**

Pilgrims on the way, come let us worship God!

**We come to worship God as we learn to live inside out! Amen.**

*Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Director of Worship Arts, August 2022.*

Opening Hymn #166 “Lord, Who throughout These Forty Days”

### Call to Confession

Happy are those whose sin is forgiven, who no longer suffer in silence, but name their sin and seek God’s grace. Let us confession our sin.

### Prayer of Confession

O God, you offer us so much,

**forgive us for sharing so little.**

You have called us to your ways,

**forgive us for ignoring your call.**

You have given us the gift of family,  
**forgive us for not giving thanks.**  
You have given us countless blessings,  
**forgive us for taking your love for granted.**

*Time of Silent Prayer and Confession.*

**And now, gracious God, be merciful to us in our sin and indifference,  
through Christ,  
our Savior. Amen.**

*From Joel N. Martínez and Raquel M. Martínez, Fiesta Cristiana: Recursos para  
la Adoración (Abingdon Press, 2003), 148.*

### **Assurance of Pardon**

Happy are those whose sin is forgiven! Be glad in the Lord and shout for joy: in  
Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Song of Assurance #581 Gloria Patri**

### **Passing the Peace**

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The Peace and  
Love of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**And also with you!**

Let us take a moment, wave to each other on Zoom, say a quick “Hello!” in  
person, send a message of peace to each other on Facebook, and invite the  
peace of Christ into our worship.

### **Children’s Message**

### **Time of Music and Meditation**

### **Prayer for Illumination —**

Let us pray. O Lord, may the words of your mouth be our daily bread, and may  
the leading of your Spirit become our way; in Jesus’ name. **Amen.**

### **Scripture Reading:**

**Hebrew Reading — Psalm 32**

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## Psalm 32

- <sup>1</sup> Blessed is the one  
whose transgressions are forgiven,  
whose sins are covered.
- <sup>2</sup> Blessed is the one  
whose sin the LORD does not count against them  
and in whose spirit is no deceit.
- <sup>3</sup> When I kept silent,  
my bones wasted away  
through my groaning all day long.
- <sup>4</sup> For day and night  
your hand was heavy on me;  
my strength was sapped  
as in the heat of summer.
- <sup>5</sup> Then I acknowledged my sin to you  
and did not cover up my iniquity.  
I said, "I will confess  
my transgressions to the LORD."  
And you forgave  
the guilt of my sin.
- <sup>6</sup> Therefore let all the faithful pray to you  
while you may be found;  
surely the rising of the mighty waters  
will not reach them.
- <sup>7</sup> You are my hiding place;  
you will protect me from trouble  
and surround me with songs of deliverance.
- <sup>8</sup> I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go;  
I will counsel you with my loving eye on you.
- <sup>9</sup> Do not be like the horse or the mule,  
which have no understanding  
but must be controlled by bit and bridle  
or they will not come to you.
- <sup>10</sup> Many are the woes of the wicked,

but the LORD's unfailing love  
surrounds the one who trusts in him.

<sup>11</sup> Rejoice in the LORD and be glad, you righteous;  
sing, all you who are upright in heart!

## Choir Anthem

### Scripture Reading:

Gospel Reading — *Matthew 14:1-11*

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At that time Herod the tetrarch heard the reports about Jesus, <sup>2</sup> and he said to his attendants, "This is John the Baptist; he has risen from the dead! That is why miraculous powers are at work in him."

<sup>3</sup> Now Herod had arrested John and bound him and put him in prison because of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, <sup>4</sup> for John had been saying to him: "It is not lawful for you to have her." <sup>5</sup> Herod wanted to kill John, but he was afraid of the people, because they considered John a prophet.

<sup>6</sup> On Herod's birthday the daughter of Herodias danced for the guests and pleased Herod so much <sup>7</sup> that he promised with an oath to give her whatever she asked. <sup>8</sup> Prompted by her mother, she said, "Give me here on a platter the head of John the Baptist." <sup>9</sup> The king was distressed, but because of his oaths and his dinner guests, he ordered that her request be granted <sup>10</sup> and had John beheaded in the prison. <sup>11</sup> His head was brought in on a platter and given to the girl, who carried it to her mother.

## Sermon

*The Journey Begins!*

### Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

With the whole church, let us confess our faith. **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe 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.

Hymn of Response #618 “O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High”

Prayers of the People and 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.

Call to Offering –

As God so freely offers us the gift of life in Jesus Christ, let us respond with gratitude, offering our lives to God.

Offertory

*Amazing Grace arr. by Parker*

Doxology #606 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

Prayer of Dedication –

Let us pray. We give you thanks and praise, O God, for the free and abundant gift of grace you have given us in Jesus Christ. Let the simple gifts of our lives be a sign of our unending gratitude for your undying love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Announcements

Closing Hymn #80 “You Shall Go Out with Joy” (x3)

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

*Thine Is the Glory by Handel*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Tin Caps Baseball:** Join Grace for a baseball game behind home plate in a reserved

concourse suite. The tickets are \$29 and the game starts at 1:05 PM. Please contact Tammy for more information or to reserve your spot.

**We are selling SCRIP Next Sunday Morning, March 5<sup>th</sup>:** A portion of each card comes back to us and our ministries. To purchase Scrip or for more information see John Current.

**Lenten Study – Wednesdays – 5:30 PM:** \*Each Wednesday in March. This is a book study. Sign up in narthex for books. Light meals provided.

**Our Lenten Gifts:** This year Grace Mission Team is offering several opportunities to help our neighbors and friends during the Lenten Season.

**Lenten Coin Folders and Fish Offering Coin Boxes** are available on the table in the Narthex. Your donations will be used for Just Neighbors. Just Neighbors IHN assists children and adults with emergency shelter, meals, skill development, employment assistance and information about community resources. Our gifts help these neighbors in our community move from crisis to self-sufficiency and independence.

**Fishes and Loaves Collection.** We are collecting cans of tuna, salmon and crackers to help the United Faith Food Bank. Monetary donations are welcome also.

**One Great Hour of Sharing Collection** on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday  
Each gift to One Great Hour of Sharing supports efforts to:

- relieve hunger through the Presbyterian Hunger Program
- promote development through the Presbyterian Committee on the Self-Development of People
- assist in areas of disaster through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance.

### Birthdays

Aaron Bowers – 2.23\*

Damian Polk – 2.25\*

Tom Monnier – 2.27

Nathan Bausser—2.28

\*Were missed in last week's bulletin.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayers for Sharon Allen and her broken foot.

Prayers for Dianna Eller recovering from surgery.

Prayers for Vivian Louise, for continuing recovery.

Prayers for Terry Frick, Stacy Monnier's father, with a recent diagnosis of cancer.

For Dustin Brown and his team looking for a marrow donor.

## ZOOM INSTRUCTIONS

*To connect to our worship services on Zoom, follow these instructions to watch or listen. You can connect at 10:15 for fellowship; the service starts at 10:30.*

### **Option 1: Automatically Join the Meeting**

Follow the link in the email sent every week. This is by far the easiest way to connect to the live video.

### **Option 2: Manually Join the Meeting**

You can download Zoom from <https://www.zoom.us>.

After you have installed the program/app, click on "Join" and enter this information:

***Meeting ID:*** 9712063468      ***Password:*** 030414

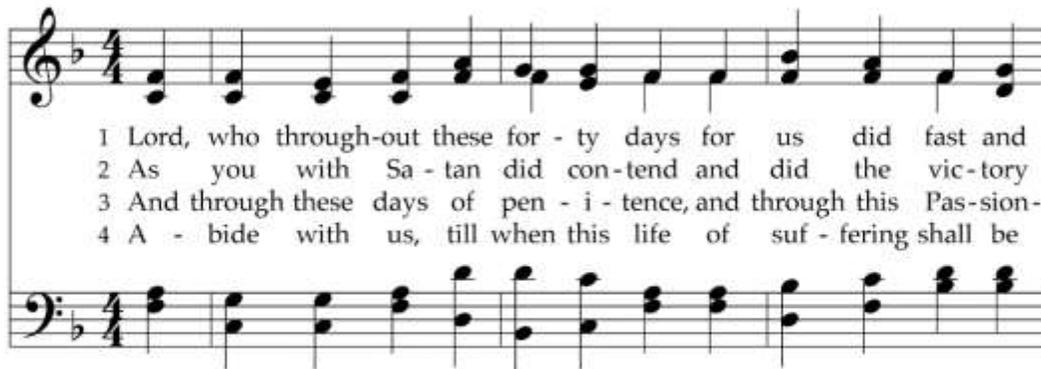
### **Option 3: Call in to Listen (Audio Only)**

On Sunday Morning, you can call to listen to the service. After you call, it will ask you to enter the Meeting ID and Password Below:

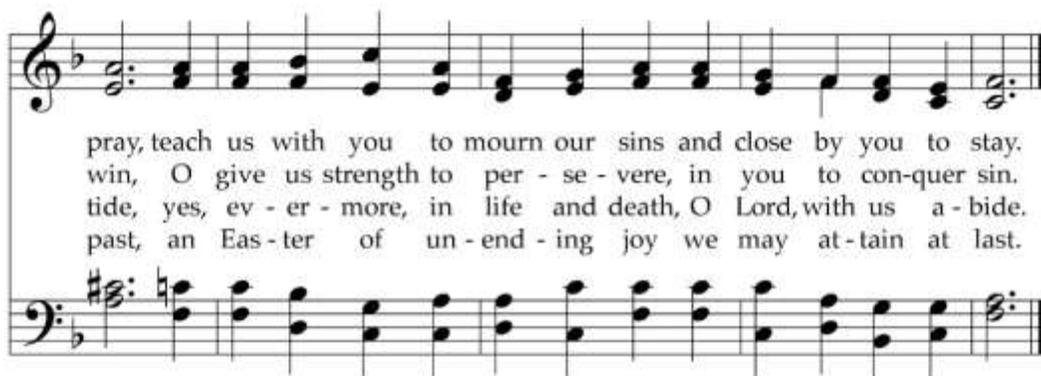
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# Lord, Who throughout These Forty Days

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1 Lord, who through-out these for - ty days for us did fast and  
 2 As you with Sa - tan did con - tend and did the vic - tory  
 3 And through these days of pen - i - tence, and through this Pas - sion -  
 4 A - bide with us, till when this life of suf - fering shall be



pray, teach us with you to mourn our sins and close by you to stay.  
 win, O give us strength to per - se - vere, in you to con - quer sin.  
 tide, yes, ev - er - more, in life and death, O Lord, with us a - bide.  
 past, an Eas - ter of un - end - ing joy we may at - tain at last.

Like many of this author's hymns, this text was written primarily for children but works equally well in reminding adults how Lent connects us with Christ's temptation in the wilderness and prepares us for Easter. The 16th-century English psalm tune provides sturdy support.

## Glory Be to the Father

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Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the

Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be -

gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be,

world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

TEXT: Trad. liturgical text  
 MUSIC: Henry W. Greatorex, 1851

GLORIA PATRI (Greatorex)

# 618 O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High

1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high, be - yond all  
 2 For us bap - tized, for us he bore his ho - ly  
 3 For us by wick - ed - ness be - trayed, for us, in  
 4 For us he rose from death a - gain; for us he  
 5 All glo - ry to our Lord and God, for love so

thought and fan - ta - sy, that God, the Son of  
 fast and hun - gered sore; for us tempt - ta - tions  
 crown of thorns ar - rayed, he bore the shame - ful  
 went on high to reign; for us he sent the  
 deep, so high, so broad: the Trin - i - ty whom

God, should take our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake.  
 sharp he knew, for us, the tempt - er o - ver - threw.  
 cross and death; for us gave up his dy - ing breath.  
 Spir - it here to guide, to strength - en, and to cheer.  
 we a - dore for - ev - er and for - ev - er - more.

Reducing a twenty-three-stanza Latin text to these five English stanzas intensifies this survey of the mystery of the Incarnation and strengthens the repeated reminder that all was done "for us." A comparable tone of proclamation animates this 15th-century song celebrating a military victory.

SERVICE MUSIC

# 606 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Doxology

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.

\*Or "God"

TEXT: Thomas Ken, 1695, 1709  
MUSIC: Genevan Psalter, 1551

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# You Shall Go Out with Joy 80

## The Trees of the Field

Em B7 Em B7 Em

You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace;

G C G D

the moun-tains and the hills will break forth be -

B N.C. Em B7 Em

fore you; there'll be shouts of joy, and all the

B7 Em B7 Em B7 Em

trees of the field will clap, will clap their hands.

D7 N.C. G C G D

And all the trees of the field will clap their hands;

D7 G D7 G

the trees of the field will clap their hands;

C G D

the trees of the field will clap their hands

B7 Em B7 Em

while you go out with joy.

\*Clap hands.

This text paraphrases Isaiah 55:12, which is generally understood to describe a "second exodus," this time from Babylon rather than from Egypt. This release of God's people and their return to their own land gives rise to a joyful celebration involving all creation.

TEXT: Steffi Geiser Rubin, 1975  
 MUSIC: Stuart Dauermann, 1975  
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THE TREES OF THE FIELD  
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