



Camp Hill Presbyterian Church

Sunday, March 26, 2023

Fifth Sunday in Lent

10:30 a.m.

Lent 2023: Water in the Wilderness

O God, you are my God, earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you, my body longs for you, in a dry and weary land where there is no water. — Psalm 63:1



Sheol



River Flowing from the Throne of God

Welcome!

We are glad you are worshipping with us today.

*Childcare is available from 8:45 a.m. to noon in Room 3 of the Kuhn Education Wing.
We also invite children to use our activity area in the sanctuary.*

Assistive listening devices are available at the sound booth (rear of sanctuary).

The chancel flowers are given in loving memory of Earl Bollinger by his wife, Phyllis.

*The new baby rose on the small communion table is in honor of Grace Katherine Ohnstad,
daughter of Kyle and Betsy Ohnstad, who was born February 24.*

*Worship begins with the first note of the prelude – may we silence our voices and open our
hearts, allowing the music to draw us together into the presence of God.*

Preludes

Processional
The Brass Choir

Gallus
arr. E.A. Wienandt

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
The Handbell Choir

arr. Kevin McChesney

Welcome

Introit

Were You There?
The Handbell Choir

arr. Kevin McChesney

*Call to Worship (adapted with permission from “Engage Worship”)

L: In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.

P: **The earth was without form, and void and darkness was upon the face of the deep, and the Spirit of God moved over the face of the watery chaos.**

L: In the empty void and crushing darkness, God spoke light into being.

P: **Creator God, bring light into our darkness.**

L: In the beginning, God took eternity and formed time and space, seasons, days and years.

P: **Creator God, fill and shape the time you have given us.**

**Those who are able, please stand.*

L: In the beginning, God took land and sea and filled them with life of every kind.
P: **Creator God, help us find our place within your diverse creation.**
L: In the beginning, God spoke his very image, and the returning echo formed humanity.
P: **Creator God, open our eyes to see you reflected in every human face.**
L: In the beginning, God created...
P: **And it was good.**

*Hymn 65

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

*Call to Confession

When we stray into the ways of deep darkness or wander into fiery trials, the Lord our God promises to deliver us. With confidence in the grace of our Creator and Redeemer, let us confess our sin, first in silence and then responsively using our litany of confession.

*Litany of Confession

L: For failing to love others as you have loved us,
P: **God of grace, forgive us.**
L: For wasting your gifts,
P: **God of grace, forgive us.**
L: For plundering the earth and abusing the planet,
P: **God of grace, forgive us.**
L: For fearing those who are strange to us and ignoring those in need,
P: **God of grace, forgive us.**
L: For losing heart and abandoning hope,
P: **God of grace, forgive us.**
L: For all the ways we turn from you,
P: **God of grace, forgive us.**
L: We offer our prayers in the name of the One who saves us, Jesus Christ.
P: **Amen.**

*Assurance of Forgiveness

Hear the good news! Hope does not disappoint us, for God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit. Believe this good news and give thanks that in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

*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.*

Children's Message

The Rev. Nancy Conklin

(After the message, preschool and elementary-age children are invited to follow volunteers to the Little Kirk for an age-appropriate worship experience.)

First Reading (NT, p. 79): Luke 16:19-31

Elder David Watts

L: This is the word of the Lord.

P: **Thanks be to God!**

Anthem

Let This Mind Be in You
The Chancel Choir

Craig Courtney

Second Reading (NT, p. 260): Revelation 22:1-17

Elder David Watts

L: This is the word of the Lord.

P: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

"From Agony to Ecstasy"

The Rev. Nancy Conklin

*Hymn 223

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

O Waly, Waly (The Water Is Wide)
The Brass Choir

Scottish Melody
arr. Kevin Dunetz

*Doxology (Tune: "Old Hundredth")

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

*Prayer of Dedication

Holy God, the source of all life, we give you thanks for your Spirit moving over the waters, creating heaven and earth. By the gift of water, you nourish and sustain us and all living things. In the waters of our baptism, you claimed us and named us as your own, and gave us our purpose for living. Your Spirit empowers us to follow where you lead, as we work for your coming reign of justice, peace, and love. All praise to you, most Holy God, from this day to that great day when the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, will flow through the middle of the city, bringing healing to the nations where you will be forever our Light. Amen.

Prayers of the People/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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

*Hymn 216

Beneath the Cross Of Jesus

*Extinguishing of the Lenten Candles

- L: As we have made our Lenten journey together, listening to the stories of our ancestors in faith, we pause to give thanks for faith, persistence, and hope for the future.
- P: **We have been reminded that in the wilderness experiences of life, when everything seems dry and lifeless, God's restorative spirit and God's promise can breathe new life and hope into our lives.**
- L: As we extinguish the fifth Lenten candle, we acknowledge that even with our best intentions, we sometimes feel discouraged and anxious about the future.
(Extinguishing of one Lenten candle.)
- L: As we watch the smoke rise, we are reminded that God's spirit is always with us in mysterious and visible ways in our community of faith and in the world.

Postlude

Ave Verum Corpus

Mozart

The Brass Choir

arr. Charlie Peterson

*Hail, true Body, born of the Virgin Mary,
Who truly suffered, sacrificed on the Cross for mankind;
From whose pierced side, water and blood flowed.
Be for us a sweet foretaste in the trial of death.*

THIS WEEK AT CAMP HILL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Monday, March 27

- 10 a.m. — Staff Meeting, Pastor's Office
- 1 p.m. — Quilters and Crafters for Mission; Q&C Room
- 7 p.m. — Session Meeting; Blue Room

Tuesday, March 28

- 10 a.m. — Preschool Music Parade; Sanctuary
- 6 p.m. — Lenten Soup & Study; Fellowship Hall
- 6 p.m. — West Shore A.A. Big Book Study; Reception Room

Wednesday, March 29

- 9:30 a.m. — Prayer Fellowship; Green Room
- 11:45 a.m. — Preschool Choir and Lunch; Fellowship Hall
- 6 p.m. — Pickleball; Fellowship Hall
- 6 p.m. — Handbell Choir Rehearsal; Music Room
- 7 p.m. — Chancel Choir Rehearsal; Music Room

Sunday, April 2

- 9 a.m. — Lenten Study; Blue Room
- 9 a.m. — Exegesis Bible Study; Green Room
- 9:45 a.m. — Choir Warmup; Music Room
- 10:30 a.m. — Palm Sunday Worship Service with Communion and Preschool Choir; Sanctuary and via Livestream
- 10:45 a.m. — Kirk Kids (following Children's Message); Little Kirk
- 11:30 a.m. — Fellowship Time; Fellowship Hall
- 11:45 a.m. — Brass Choir Rehearsal; Sanctuary
- 5 p.m. — The Still Point Vespers Service; Sanctuary

IT'S HAPPENING AT CHPC

- **Next Sunday is Palm Sunday. Join us at 10:30 a.m.** for a special worship service that will include communion and music by the CHPC Preschool Choir.

- The season's final **Noonday Organ Recital will be held at 12:15 p.m. Wednesday, April 5, in the Sanctuary. A luncheon precedes at 11:45 a.m. in Fellowship Hall.** Our guest organist is Dr. Terry Heisey, principal organist and director of music at St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Lebanon.

- **Join us for Holy Week!** Our schedule includes:
 - **Maundy Thursday Worship Service, 7 p.m., Sanctuary**
 - **Good Friday Joint Worship Service, 6 p.m., New Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church, 2339 N. Sixth Street, Harrisburg** (more info in bulletin insert)
 - **Easter Sunrise Service, 7 a.m., Peace Garden**
 - **Easter Egg Hunt and Breakfast, 9:30 a.m., Fellowship Hall**
 - **Easter Worship Service, 10:30 a.m., Sanctuary**

- Pax Christi will hold its annual **Walking the Way of the Cross on Good Friday, April 7, in Harrisburg.** Participants should gather at **9:45 a.m. in front of the Dauphin County Courthouse.** The event connects Jesus' journey to the cross with current themes of peace and justice. The walk lasts for 1-1/2 hours, rain or shine. Parking is free. For more information, call Rick Woodard at (717) 991-4204.

- Join us at **6 p.m. on Tuesdays through April 4 for a Lenten study of Season 1 of "The Chosen."** We'll enjoy a soup supper together, watch an episode, then discuss the episode and review related Scripture passages. Please RSVP to Nancy Flint at nflint.home@gmail.com or sign up in the Gathering Place.

- **Registration for the MATE mission trip is happening now!** Brochures and registration forms are available outside the church office, on the CHPC website, or by contacting Nancy Flint at nflint.home@gmail.com.

- There are **weeks available in May for anyone interested in providing the chancel flowers.** Please contact Dolores Peffley at dwpeffley@gmail.com or (717) 766-7554 for more information.

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