

The
Season
of
Lent



WOODSTOCK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2018 - 11:00 AM

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

"I was glad when they said to me,

'Let us go to the house of the Lord!'" Psalm 122:1

Welcome to all who gather to worship today! We hope you feel warmly welcomed and even "at home," for all are welcome in God's house! If you are a guest today, we are honored by your presence with us and hope to see you again! Please take a moment to sign the Friendship Register located in the pew. Everyone is invited to stay for our Fellowship Hour following worship!

WPC Vision & Mission Statement

Growing and Building in
the Love of Christ
Ephesians 4:16

We ENVISION a church
that:

- † Is kind, generous,
hospitable and
welcoming.
- † Involves everyone in
local and global
mission.
- † Treats everyone as a
Child of God.
- † Shares our time,
talents, and treasure.

Our MISSION is to grow
and build in:

- † Faith through worship,
prayer, and Bible study.
- † Fellowship with one
another and with
guests.
- † Hospitality shown to
our community and
world.
- † Facilities that are
exceptional and
accessible.

* Congregation is
invited to stand.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude *Lenten Carol* S. Walters
 On the Via Dolorosa D. Wagner

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (Ps. 107, Eph. 2) Diane Cook

O gives thanks to the Lord, who is good;
God's steadfast love endure forever.

God is rich in mercy!

We are saved by God's grace!

Let us worship God in spirit and in truth,

for God is worthy of our praise and adoration!

***Hymn 65** *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

***Opening Prayer** (*pray together*)

Almighty God, through Jesus Christ you bring salvation to the world. Give us strength to believe in him that we may share in his victory over the power of death and fulfill the purpose for which you have made us, for he dwells with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.



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Ruling Elders
(Spiritual Leaders of the Church)

Class of 2018
Jerry Germroth, Trustee
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Cindy Wilkins

Class of 2019
Sharon Baroncelli, Trustee
Jane Runyon
George Shaffer
George Swecker

Class of 2020
Marian French, Trustee
Diane Cook
Margaret Nelson
Morgan Sacler

Invitation to Confession of Sin Confessing our Sins to God

Merciful God, we confess our sinfulness before you. We grumble about the evils in our world, even as we commit injustices. We fret about the scarcity of resources while hoarding earth's goods. In your faithful love, expose our sins before the light of your grace. Heal our sin and free us from our foolish ways, that we may know the joy of eternal life in Jesus Christ...(time for silent confession)

Declaration of Forgiveness

God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. This wonderful news is for us, and for us to share. Brothers and sisters, this day and always, believe the Good News of the Gospel:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Amen!

WE EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

Children's Message

5-Cents-a-Meal Offering

Anthem *When You Prayed Beneath the Trees* Idle/Larson

Scripture Readings

Psalms 107:1-3,17-22

Old Testament Numbers 21:4-9

Minister: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God!

Message "Hurry up and Wait" Rev. Lisa W. Martin

***Hymn 438** *Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me*

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*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.

***Gloria Patri** (words at left)

Prayers of Intercession & The Lord's Prayer

God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory *The Old Rugged Cross Made the Difference* Gaither

***Doxology & Prayer of Dedication** (words at left of page)

WE DEPART TO SERVE

***Hymn 187** *Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us*

***Benediction**

***Choral Benediction** *Holy Lamb of God* Hymn 602

***Postlude** *March Pontificale* J. Lemmens

Glory Be to the Father

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!

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.

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.