



Preparation for Worship

Colossians 3:12-14

¹² As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. ¹³ Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ¹⁴ Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

“There are three things that are important in human life. The first is to be kind. The second is to be kind. The third is to be kind.”

—Henry James (Advice to his nephew, Billy)

We Gather in God's Name

Voluntary

Sean Cator, Pianist

Welcome and Announcements

Please sign the friendship register.

† Passing of the Peace

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

† Song of Praise

Today

Praise Band

† Call to Worship

One: What does the God of all creation require of us? To do justice:

All: Seeking peace and reconciliation, standing with the marginalized and forgotten;

One: To love kindness:

All: Showing compassion and unconditional caring for those in need;

One: To walk humbly:

All: Following in the steps of Jesus, along paths of reconciliation and restoration.

† Hymn #292

As the Wind Song

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, we are too often divided, too easily offended, too quick to judge. We readily recognize the faults and prejudices of our neighbors, even as we are blind to our own. We sow our opinions freely and listen too little. We do not actively cultivate kindness. Forgive us.

Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart, that the barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; and, with our divisions healed, that we might live in justice and peace, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

One Voice: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting unto everlasting. As far as the East is from the West, so far has God removed our transgression from us. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are all forgiven.

Many Voices: Thanks be to God!

Response #447

We Are Forgiven

† *Please stand if you are able.*

We Proclaim God's Word

Anthem

Arise and Come to Jesus
Chancel Choir

Brennan

Children's Message

Nick Amatuzzi

† Hymn #693

Though I May Speak

Scripture

Galatians 5:16-26

Sermon

Back from the Brink

Rev. Dr. Ben Trawick

Sharing Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Response #609

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Prayer of Dedication

Peter Smith

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

We Depart To Serve God

† Hymn #300

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

Congregational Meeting

† Benediction

The Flowers Are Dedicated "To the Glory of God"

Your greeter today was Glenda Etchison



***FURLOUGHED WORKERS AND OTHERS WHO WANT TO HELP
PLEASE COME FOR A DAY OF FELLOWSHIP, LUNCH, AND ...WORK!***

The pews are in need of a good cleaning, and we hope to get it done on Friday, February 1, starting at 10:00. We will provide a delicious hot lunch, a grocery gift card, and will be available to hear of any needs that we may be able to help with. If the shutdown is over, we'll celebrate! More info in *The Message*.



***WE ARE VERY GLAD YOU CHOSE TO WORSHIP WITH US TODAY!
PLEASE SIGN OUR FRIENDSHIP REGISTER SO THAT WE CAN
GREET YOU BY NAME AND CALL ON YOU IF YOU WISH.***

ALL CHILDREN ARE WELCOMED IN WORSHIP - ...Even if they fidget! Worship Bags are available for young children with a children's bulletin, books, and crayons, and a Nursery is available downstairs in Room 5 for infants through 4-year-olds.

After the Children's Message, children have their own worship experience downstairs. Play 'n' Worship is for preschoolers, and Bridges to Worship is for K-3rd graders. Please pick up children before going to Fellowship. K-3rd graders will be in the Bridges Room (Room 14), and all other children will be in the Nursery (Room 5).

SUNDAY SCHOOL - Classes are offered at 9:15 a.m. from the 2nd Sunday in September through the 3rd Sunday in May. Children's Discipleship provides classes for 5-year-olds through 12th graders, and Adult Discipleship reaches all adults after high school.

GRACE INSIGHTS - Learn more about Grace Church, our mission, and our denomination, PC(USA), in classes that form throughout the year. If you are considering membership and would like to attend a class or if you have interest in learning more about us, please speak to one of our pastors or Elder Valerie Wenderoth. You will find Grace a very welcoming place. The next class is on February 17 from 9:15-1:00.

PLEASE ASK ANYONE FOR HELP OR DIRECTIONS!

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