



Winter Park

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

JANUARY 24, 2021

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY



ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEDITATIVE THOUGHT

“Before one can walk as Christ walked, and talk as He talked, one must first begin to think as Christ thought.” — A. A. Allen

THE PRELUDE • *My Faith Looks Up to Thee* - Young

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Now is the moment of grace. This is the hour of blessing.

Today is the day of salvation. We've been offered the path to new life.

Already joy is abounding, and love is overflowing.

For this is the day God is making. Let us rejoice and sing.

HYMN OF PRAISE • *Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy* (verses 1 & 3)

THE CALL TO CONFESSION

Those who love me, I will deliver; I will protect those who know my name. When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honor them. With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my salvation.

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: We confess our inability to always honor our commitments to God and others, therefore cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires. In humility we draw near to You, confessing our faults, confiding in Your grace, and finding in You our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ, The Light of the World, Amen.

(Continue with silent confession and reflection.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear these words from the prophet Isaiah: “Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name; you are mine. When you pass through the water, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flames shall not consume you. For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.”

RESPONSE • *Gloria Patri*

CHILDREN'S SERMON

(Children, parents, and other adults may remain seated in their pews.)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

RESPONSE • *Jesus, Remember Me*

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Genesis 37:23-28

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Luke 9:46-48

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

"As the Butter Churns" • The Rev. Dr. W. Darren Bess

THE REAFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Portion of A Brief Statement of Faith)

In life and death, we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.

Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving His life for the sins of the world. God raised Jesus from the dead, vindicating His sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father.

We trust in the Holy Spirit who engages us through the Word proclaimed. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY MUSIC *O Shelter Me* • Michael Joncas

OFFERTORY RESPONSE Doxology

PRAYER OF DEDICATION 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.**

HYMN • *Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore*

**You have come up to the lakeshore,
looking neither for wise nor for wealthy.
You only wanted that I should follow.**

Refrain

**O Lord, with Your eyes You have searched me,
and while smiling have called out my name.
Now my boat's left on the shoreline behind me,
Now with You I will seek other seas.**

**You know that I own so little,
In my boat there's no money nor weapons,
You'll only find there my nets and labor. (Refrain)**

**You need the caring of my hands.
Through my tiredness, may others find resting.
You need a love that just goes on loving. (Refrain)**

**You, who have fished other oceans,
Ever longed for by souls that are waiting,
My dear and good friend, as thus You call me. (Refrain)**

THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE • *Fanfare* - Martin

☞ SERVING TODAY ☜

OFFICIATING MINISTER

The Rev. Dr. W. Darren Bess, Senior Pastor

ASSISTING MINISTER

The Rev. Emily Wasser, Associate Pastor

MUSICIANS

Chancel Choir: Justin Chase, Director

Organist: Penny Walsh

AUDIO/VISUAL

Carole Reece

Doug Reece

Nelson Roe

☞ WORSHIP MATTERS ☜

ANTHEM TEXT—*SHELTER ME*

(A prayer-song in the time of the COVID-19 Pandemic)

1) Shepherd and sheep, my God and I: to fresh green fields you led my steps in days gone by. You gave me rest by quiet springs and filled my soul with peace your loving presence brings. (refrain) O shelter me; the way ahead is dark and difficult to see. O shelter me: All will be well if only you will shelter me. 2) Yet now I tread a different way; Death dogs my path with stealthy steps from day to day. I cannot find your peaceful place, But dwell in dreary darkness, longing for your face. 3) I will look back in days to come and realize your faithfulness has led me home. Within your house I'll find my peace, trusting that in your mercy you have sheltered me.

MUSIC NOTES

Our CCLI License number is 11184426, and our OneLicense.net number is 725233.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome

We are so glad you are here to worship with us today! We will continue to offer our worship services online. Sermons can be found at www.winppc.org/sermons.

Congregational Meeting

Our annual congregational meeting will be held next Sunday, January 31 at 7:00 PM via *Zoom*. A link to the *Zoom* meeting will be sent to all members prior to the meeting.

WPPC Ringers

The WPPC Ringers choir is looking for a few new members. Rehearsals are on Sundays from 11:45-12:30 in the sanctuary. We wear masks and are socially distanced. We record something for worship when we have it ready. The music is not difficult, and learning to ring is fun if you've never done it before. Experienced or new ringers are most welcome. Please contact Dana Irwin (407-678-0406) for more information and a pep talk about why YOU should join us!

Homeless Coalition Donations

The Central Florida Coalition for the Homeless was delighted to receive donations from Winter Park Presbyterian Church which were delivered on Thursday, January 21 by Mike and Nancy Galyean. Included in the delivery were five HUGE garbage bags of rolled and folded new white socks (395 pair) with cards of scripture from WPPC inserted with each pair and eight grocery bags of magazines, books, calendars and puzzles which will be offered to guests throughout the campus (men, women, children). Normally (try to remember what was normal before the Pandemic), socks are collected between Thanksgiving and Christmas and delivered to the men at the evening meal where WPPC members prepare and serve the food. Sue Rudolph has spearheaded this project for many years.

There are many missions we have been unable to support at this time, but this is an example what we can still do to help others. The Compassion Committee appreciates the many individuals and families that took the time to shop for socks and bring them to the church; we thank the Hannah Sisters that removed the socks from wrapping, rolled, folded, inserted scripture and counted/placed socks in large bags; and thanks to Kenny for helping to load socks and reading materials for delivery. Please know that your efforts and generosity are noticed and greatly appreciated by folks that are having a difficult time.

Pastoral Care

If you (or someone you know) are going through a difficult time, please contact us. Our Deacons and pastoral care staff are available for support, home and hospital visits, and prayer. Please contact Dr. Darren Bess at darrenb@winppc.org or 407-647-1467 x 103. For pastoral emergencies when the church office is closed, call 407-647-1467 x 112.

Publicity

If you have a church event that needs to be publicized in the church bulletin, newsletter, etc., please fill out the form located at <http://winppc.org/publicity-request/>.

Transportation for Church Events

If you are in need of transportation to a church event, please contact the church office at least 24 hours in advance, and every effort will be made to accommodate your need.

<i>The Session</i>			<i>The Diaconate</i>		
<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
Phillip Anderson III	Theresa Coker	Syd Davis	Mike Galyean	Susan Davis	Ron Ellman
Lisa Dreasher	Bonnie Gaughan	Fred Kittinger	Reta Jackson	Jane Munns	Betty Johnston
Jayne Leach	Fran Morrissey	Malcolm MacDiarmid	Julie Kent	Rachel Myers	Sevilla Morse
Shaheed Mohammed	Michelle Trahan	Jim McKinney	Curtis Koon	Christine Rich	Cynthia Nants
Peter Rice	Jay Van Hook	Dawn Sumrall	Sara Van Arsdel	Dennis Schmalstig	Jyme Smith
Nelson Roe			Jeanne Vinci	Meg Ball Thomas	

Missions Supported by WPPC

Audrey Ball, *Transitions Orphan Assistance Foundation*, Ukraine
Dr. Robert Gamble, *This Child Here*, Ukraine
Dennis & Susan Walters, *SIL*, East Asia
Steve & Sonia Dettweiler, *Wycliffe*, Nigeria
Dr. Anne Hallum, *A.I.R. (Alliance for Reforestation)*, Guatemala

PC(USA) World Missions

Rev. Gordon & Dorothy Gartrell, Brazil
Jenny Bent, Dominican Republic
Mark Hare, Haiti; Dan & Elizabeth Turk, Madagascar

Staff

The Rev. Dr. W. Darren Bess, Senior Pastor
The Rev. Emily Wasser, Associate Pastor
Justin Chase, Director of Music
Penny Walsh, Organist
Susan Davis, Director of Handbells & Children's Music

Carolyn Achenbach, Director of Operations/Accountant
Cindy Mitchum, Executive Assistant
Barbara Hordern, Administrative Assistant
Tricia Wilson, Director of Preschool Programs
Kenny Lovelace, Sexton

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