

WILLIAMSBURG PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 13, 2022

*We gather in the name of Jesus Christ to worship God and
by the power of the Holy Spirit do God's work in the world.*

PRAYER FOR PREPARATION

Loving God, you save all who seek refuge in you. Grant that we who know your salvation
may walk always in your light, take courage in your faithfulness,
and rejoice in your astounding goodness to us.
Through Christ, by the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray. Amen.

THE GATHERING

PREPARING TO HEAR THE WORD

PASTORAL GREETING AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PRELUDE

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
Carol Choir and Junior Choir

Lowell Mason
arr. Patricia Cota

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: One thing I asked of the Lord, that I will seek after:

All: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,

Leader: to behold the beauty of the Lord,

All: and to inquire in God's temple.

*To all who are able, please stand as we offer God thanks and praise.
Bold type face indicates that the congregation participates in word or song.

1 The God of A-bra-ham praise, who reigns en-throned a - bove,
 2 Your spir - it still flows free, high surg - ing where it will.
 3 Your good - ly land we seek, with peace and plen - ty blest,
 4 You have e - ter - nal life im - plant - ed in the soul;

the An - cient of E - ter - nal Days, the God of love!
 In proph-et's word you spoke of old and you speak still.
 a land of sa - cred lib - er - ty and Sab - bath rest.
 your love shall be our strength and stay, while a - ges roll.

The Lord, the great I AM, by earth and heaven con-fessed,
 Es - tab-lished is your law, and change-less it shall stand,
 There milk and hon - ey flow, and oil and wine a - bound,
 We praise you, liv - ing God! We praise your ho - ly name:

we bow be - fore your ho - ly name, for - ev - er blest.
 deep writ up - on the hu - man heart by your strong hand.
 and trees of life for - ev - er grow with mer - cy crowned.
 the first, the last, be - yond all thought, and still the same!

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

Leader: The Lord is our light and our salvation; whom shall we fear? With humble hearts,
let us confess our sins before God and one another.

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)**

Merciful God, you have made us citizens of heaven, but we confess that we have set our minds on earthly things. We have let our desire for security restrain our commitment to serve the poor. We have let our fear of danger curb our obligation to love our enemies. We have let our love of things dull our generosity to the needy. We have let our craving for public status prevent our honesty about hidden sins. Yet, you know the desires of our heart and nothing is hidden from you. By the power of the Holy Spirit, conform our sin-weakened bodies to the glory of Christ, that we may be the body of Christ for the world. Amen.

A TIME FOR SILENT PRAYER

***KYRIE**

Lord, Have Mercy

Schubert

Leader: Lord, have mercy.

People: Christ, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: God, our light and our salvation, does not forsake us or leave us with our sin. In Christ we are forgiven and offered the gift of healing repentance. Thanks be to God!

GLORIA IN ABEYANCE DURING LENT

SHARING FAITH WITH CHILDREN

John E. Morgan

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (Unison)

Lord, open your Word by your Holy Spirit, so that we, like Abraham, may believe your promises to us. Amen.

FIRST LESSON: *Genesis 15:1-6*

15 After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, “Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.” ² But Abram said, “O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?” ³ And Abram said, “You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.” ⁴ But the word of the LORD came to him, “This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.” ⁵ He brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your descendants be.” ⁶ And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

This is the Word of the Lord!
Thanks be to God!

PSALM 27:1-7, 13-14 (Responsive)

Leader: The Lord is my light and my salvation;
whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life;
of whom shall I be afraid?

People: When evildoers assail me
to devour my flesh—
my adversaries and foes—
they shall stumble and fall.

Leader: Though an army encamp against me,
my heart shall not fear;
though war rise up against me,
yet I will be confident.

(Psalm continues on the next pages)

People: One thing I asked of the Lord,
that will I seek after:
to live in the house of the Lord
all the days of my life,
to behold the beauty of the Lord,
and to inquire in his temple.

Leader: For he will hide me in his shelter
in the day of trouble;
he will conceal me under the cover of his tent;
he will set me high on a rock.

People: Now my head is lifted up
above my enemies all around me,
and I will offer in his tent
sacrifices with shouts of joy;
I will sing and make melody to the Lord.

Leader: Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud,
be gracious to me and answer me!

SECOND LESSON: *Philippians 3:17-4:1*

¹⁷Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. ¹⁸For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. ¹⁹Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. ²⁰But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. ²¹He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. ⁴ ¹Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

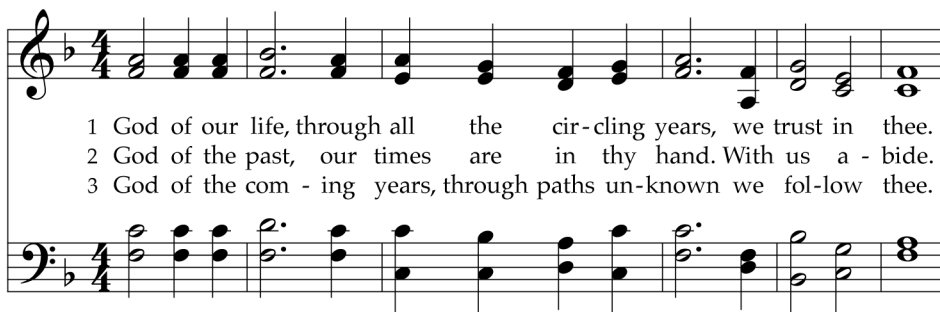
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Thanks be to God!

SERMON

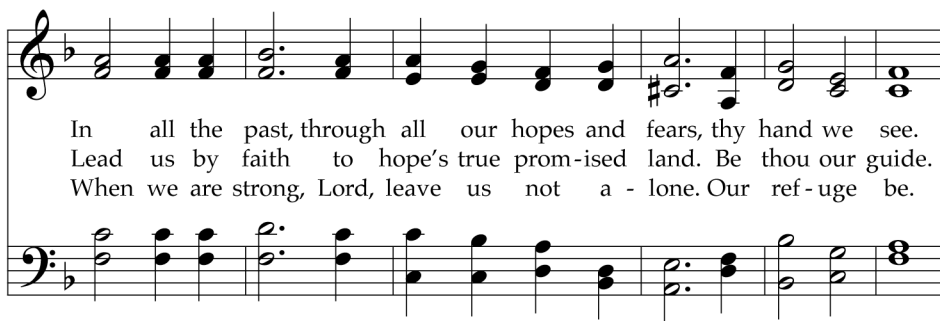
“Citizens of Heaven”

John E. Morgan

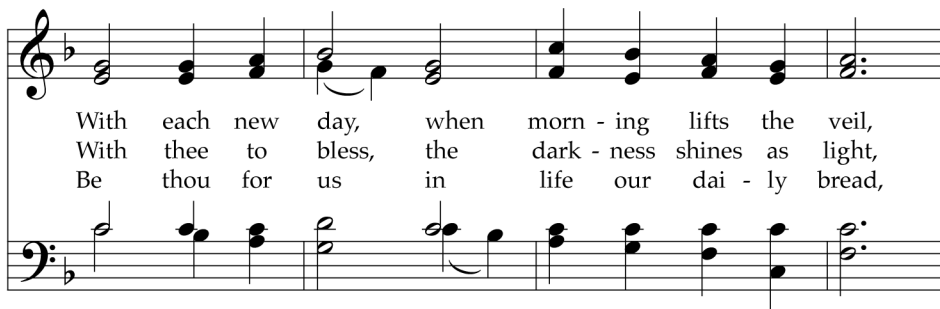
RESPONDING TO THE WORD



1 God of our life, through all the cir-cle years, we trust in thee.
2 God of the past, our times are in thy hand. With us a - bide.
3 God of the com - ing years, through paths un-known we fol-low thee.



In all the past, through all our hopes and fears, thy hand we see.
Lead us by faith to hope's true prom-ised land. Be thou our guide.
When we are strong, Lord, leave us not a - lone. Our ref-uge be.



With each new day, when morn - ing lifts the veil,
With thee to bless, the dark - ness shines as light,
Be thou for us in life our dai - ly bread,



we own thy mer - cies, Lord, which nev - er fail.
and faith's fair vi - sion chang - es in - to sight.
our heart's true home when all our years have sped.

PRAYERS OF PETITION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (Unison)

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.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: FROM A BRIEF STATEMENT OF FAITH (Unison)

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.

OFFERING

Thank you for your continued faithful stewardship to WPC. May our offerings continue to help us be the light for our neighbors and our siblings in Christ all over the world. Offering envelopes can now be found inside the friendship register book.

We invite you to make your offering or pledge payment in one of the following ways:

- You may place your offering in the plates as you exit the sanctuary.
- Click the “Make Online Offering” button below the video window on the watch worship services page (www.mywpc.org/streaming/).
- Scan the QR code at the right to access the online offering form.
- Mail your offering to the church office.



OFFERTORY

We Walk by Faith

Karen Marrolli

We walk by faith and not by sight;
No gracious words we hear
From him who spoke as none e'er spoke,
But we believe him near.

We may not touch his hands and side,
Nor follow where he trod;
But in his presence we rejoice
And cry, “my Lord and God!”

(Offertory continues on the next pages)

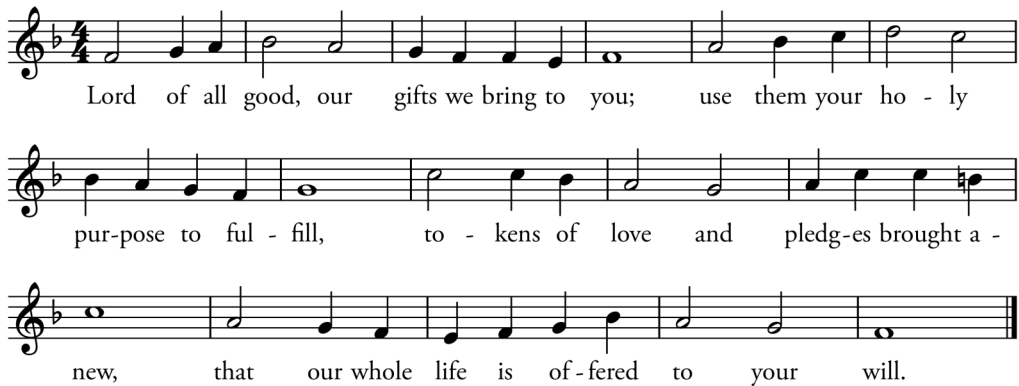
Help, then, O Lord, our unbelief;
And may our faith abound
To call on you when you are near
And seek where you are found.

That, when our life of faith is done,
In realms of clearer light,
May we behold you as you are,
With full and endless light.

***DOXOLOGY**

Lord of All Good

TOULON



***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

GOING OUT TO BE THE CHURCH

***INVITATION AND LORD'S DAY GREETING**

We are glad you are worshipping with us today. If you are joining us online, please remember to 'sign' our online friendship register:

- Click the "Sign Friendship Register" button below the video window on the watch worship services page (www.mywpc.org/streaming/).
- Scan the QR code at the right to access the online friendship register.



*HYMN 12

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

ST. DENIO

1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
 3 To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small.
 4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry; thou dwell - est in light.

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might:
 In all life thou liv - est, the true life of all.
 Thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight.

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 thy jus - tice, like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove;
 We blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree,
 All praise we would ren - der; O help us to see

al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise.
 thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 then with - er and per - ish; but naught chang - eth thee.
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Amazing Grace

AMAZING GRACE

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
grace my fears re - lieved. How pre - cious did that
grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved.

POSTLUDE

Allegretto in D Major

Knecht

The service of worship concludes after the postlude. The music can be enjoyed or used as an opportunity for prayer. You may remain seated; if you wish to depart, please do so quietly and without disturbing those who choose to stay.

∞ THE CHANCEL FLOWERS ∞

The flowers this morning are given today to the glory of God and
in loving member of his wife, Gladys, by Leon Looney.

⌘ THOSE SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY ⌘

PASTORS

John E. Morgan, Pastor/Head of Staff

Rachel Hébert, Associate Pastor for Community Care

Pam Hrnčíř, Covenant Pastor for Congregational Care

MUSIC MINISTRY

Norman Elton, Organist and Assistant Director of Music

Carol Choir and Junior Choir under the direction of Rebecca Elton

Chancel Choir

LITURGIST

Harold Seamon

SHARING FAITH WITH CHILDREN

John E. Morgan

GREETERS

9:30am Dick Hubbard

11:00am Rebecca Caprio

USHERS

9:30am Dave Littell, Pat Underwood, John VanAken, Rebecca Caprio

11:00am Bob Bolstad, Megan Davis, Gary Davis, Kirk Lovenbury

***WILLIAMSBURG LANDING USHERS**

Karen Annoni

***WINDSOR MEADE USHER**

Paul Hotinger

AUDIO AND VIDEO TECHNICIANS: Mike Squire and John Schoenberger

*Satellite campuses

PRAYER CONCERNS, JOYS, & TOUCH NOTES

To share a joy or concern, please visit www.mywpc.org, select GET CARE on the menu bar, then PRAYER REQUEST from the drop-down menu. Complete the form and click SEND REQUEST on the bottom of the form. Per your instructions, your request will be shared with our pastors, prayer chain or will be included in the worship bulletin. If the internet is not available to you, please call the church office (757) 229-4235 with your request.

The Prayer Chain Coordinator is: Jo Ann Youhas (handbellringer@cox.net).

If you are in need of a pastor after hours or on the weekend with an emergency request, please contact the Pastor-on-Call listed below for this week. To reach a Pastor during the week, please call the church office.

Sunday, March 13 – Saturday, March 19, 2022

Rachel Hébert, (rhebert@mywpc.org; 757-903-5488)

The WPC Family extends its deepest Christian sympathy and prayers to:

- Ellen Maurer and family on the death of her husband, Steven Maurer, who died on Thursday, March 3, 2022. A memorial service followed by a reception will be held in the WPC sanctuary on Saturday, April 9, 2022, 11:00am.
- The family of WPC member, Louise Glass, who died on October 26, 2021 in Roanoke, VA. A service was held in Roanoke on November 14, 2021.

Please continue to pray for:

- Nell Stowe, Buddy Puller, Mary Jo Siclari, and Richard Frieze, brother of Nancy Moul.
- Those who have recently lost loved ones, those recovering from various surgeries and our sick and shut-ins who are at home or facility bound.
- Those affected by the war in Ukraine.
- Those serving our country in the military services and their families.

UPCOMING MEMORIAL SERVICES

The following memorial services will be held in the WPC sanctuary followed by a reception in Stevenson Hall:

- Roger Millirons, husband of Maxine Millirons, Saturday, March 19, 2022, 2:00pm.
- Brad Crane, husband of Anabel Crane, Wednesday, March 30, 2022, 11:am.
- Richard Eichhorn, husband of Linda Eichhorn, Saturday, April 2, 2022, 11:00am
- Steven Maurer, husband of Ellen Maurer, Saturday, April 9, 2022, 11:00am.

A memorial service for Ivie Lee Johnson, will be held at Jamestown Presbyterian Church on Friday, April 8, 2022, 1:00pm.

Please continue to keep the families in your prayers.

∞ ANNOUNCEMENTS ∞

- **The Upper Elementary Class (Grades 3, 4, and 5) is currently collecting food to support The Grove Christian Outreach Center.** We began this service project in 2016 and collected 81 pounds which in turn served over 100 meals. Our most recent collection weighed in at 509 pounds! With your help, our goal is to collect even more this year. We will be collecting food in our classroom every Sunday through the end of March. Suggestions for donations include nonperishable foods such as canned fruit and vegetables, canned meat and fish, nuts, soups, pasta, breakfast foods and peanut butter.
- **The Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Fund is now accepting donations to help Ukraine refugees.** If you would like to make a donation, go to:
<https://pma.pcusa.org/donate/make-a-gift/gift-info/DR000156/?appeal=PDA&package=UK22-PCUSACar>
- **The long-awaited resumption of our Coffee Fellowship has begun!** In order to continue this special time of fellowship every Sunday, we need willing hands. Please use the newly created link on the church website to sign up for slots. One experienced Deacon will always be on hand to advise/assist. If you have any questions, please contact Sarah Smith.
You can find the link easily by visiting mywpc.org/coffee, or by visiting mywpc.org and entering COFFEE in the SEARCH field at the top-right of every page.
- **Glorious Easter Morn at WPC –** As we are on our solemn Lenten journey, we look ahead to the promise that is ours at the end of this journey. Again this year, the Worship Ministry invites you to donate an Easter Lily in Honor/Memory of someone while helping to beautify our church on Easter Sunday.
Envelopes to order an Easter Lily for a donation of \$15.00 are in the bulletin this morning. After today, they will be in the Welcome Center and in the Friendship Registers. Drop your completed envelope in the offering plate or in the Welcome Center. For your convenience, you may also place your order and pay on-line at www.mywpc.org/lilies. **Orders must be turned in by Tuesday, April 5.**
- **Joyful Mess returns this Lent. Join us on Monday nights at 7pm as we look at Finding Church Beyond the Walls.** No matter your art skills we invite you to join us on this journey filled with stories, art practices, and fellowship. Contact Phoebe Williams for more information.
- **Opportunity to share your COVID pandemic stories:** As we approach the two year anniversary of when the COVID pandemic really began to effect our daily lives, we would like to collect the stories of our members for a record of this world changing time in our lives. If you have any sort of story from the past two years that you would be willing to share please go to mywpc.me/pandemic where you can offer stories in both word and picture.
- **Lenten Book Study:** Please join us on Tuesday evenings for our Lenten book study “*This is Gods Table*” on zoom at 7pm at mywpc.me/godstable. This week will be looking at chapters 2-4.
- **FISH Food Collection: Our next collection for FISH will be Sunday, March 20.** We had a great start to our renewed FISH collection last month; we collected 42 bags, which FISH was delighted to receive. FISH plans to move to its new location at 312 Second Street on March 11

but will reopen on March 14. FISH is currently in need of boxed cereal, Treet/Spam, and applesauce, as well as bar soap and laundry detergent. Please place your food donations in or near the red shopping cart located by the rear entrance. Christian Outreach thanks you for your generosity to our food insecure neighbors.

- **WPC Families: The Family that Paints Together! On Monday, March 21, at 5:30pm, in Stevenson Hall, we'll be painting!** Everyone is invited to join us (because remember, if you are reading this, you ARE a WPC Family member!). **Childcare will be provided for preschool age and under.** Rebecca Elton has invited one of the Jamestown High School art teachers to join us for the night, and lead us through painting our own interpretation of our Lent theme, *Rooted in Grace*. This will be a kid (and beginner painter)- friendly event. All supplies are provided, and for that reason, registration is required. **You can find the link to register on the event calendar on the website, or [click here](#).** We will finish by 7pm for those that would like to join the Joyful Mess group in Room 220 afterwards.
- **Presbyterian Women Spring Gathering March 23, 11am:** The Presbyterian Women invite ALL to join us (men AND women) on Wednesday March 23 at 11am. Our speaker will be Karen Brown, the Executive Director of Natasha House. Natasha House, a social services organization in York County, has been serving women and their children for over ten years, and continues to mentor, nurture and provide support to help them reach successful independence. PW has adopted Natasha House as our local mission project for 2022. **Registration is required** to help us plan for attendance and childcare. Please [click here to register](#), or visit www.mywpc.org/calendar, scroll forward to March 23 and click on the Presbyterian Women Spring Gathering event to register.

Free will donations by cash or check directly to Natasha House will be accepted following the program or online either via [WPC online giving](#) (scroll down to the Presbyterian Women section and select the PW Local Mission Project fund) or online at [Natasha House](#).

- **The next meeting of the book club will be Monday, March 28, 2022, at 2:00pm in the WPC Library and on Zoom.** We will discuss *The Book of Longings*, by Sue Monk Kidd. For more information, or to receive the Zoom link, please contact Ellen Peters.
- **Save the Date: June 20-24, 2022!** The VBS Food Truck Party will be here before you know it! The theme for this year's Vacation Bible School (VBS) has been chosen! We will be doing Cokesbury's *Food Truck Party: On a Roll With God!* And we are ready to get started! Our fun and wonderful week will take place during the week of June 20-24, 2022. Registration information (for leader guide volunteers and kids) will be coming soon, but for right now, we are in need of Station Leaders (or Co-Leaders- grab a friend and volunteer!) for ALL of our VBS Stations (Science, Snack, Arts/Crafts, Storytelling, Recreation, and Opening/Closing/Music). If you are looking for a way to get to know the children and the youth of WPC, this is it! And they would love to get to know you, too! If you would like to volunteer as a Station Leader for VBS 2022, please contact Jodie Davis (jdavis@mywpc.org).

∞ COMMUNITY EVENT ∞

HART (Historic Area Religions Together) is hosting a ZOOM event for Multi-Faith Prayers for Healing, Justice and Peace, on Tuesday, March 15, 2022 at 7pm. Below is the information to join via ZOOM:

Topic: Multifaith Prayer for Healing, Justice and Peace

Time: Mar 15, 2022 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89489315438?pwd=YmQ4aFFvZ21HaVZac3VlVUtxY1lXQT09>

Meeting ID: 894 8931 5438

Passcode: 968363

~ OUR WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS ~

2ND SUNDAY IN LENT, MARCH 13

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| 9:00am-Noon | Nursery / Nursery Rm located on the main level |
| 9:30am | Children and Youth Church School Classes / CE Wing Fellowship Bible Study Class / LL009; Alpha Bible Class / ZOOM Family Matters Class / LL012 |
| 9:30am | In-person Worship / Sanctuary |
| 9:30am | Live-Stream Worship; visit mywpc.org to access |
| 10:30am | Fellowship Coffee Hour / Stevenson Hall |
| 11:00am | In-person Worship / Sanctuary |
| 11:00am | Worship / Broadcast on FM93.5 The Burg and AM740. or wmbgradio.com |
| 11:00am | Thoughtful Christian Bible Class / ZOOM |

MONDAY, MARCH 14

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| 9:30am | DISCIPLE Bible Study / LL010 |
| 7:00pm | Lenten Joyful Mess / Rm 220 |

TUESDAY, MARCH 15

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| 10:00am | DISCIPLE Bible Study / ZOOM |
| 1:00pm | Staff Mtg / ZOOM |
| 7:00pm | Training for New Deacons / Stevenson Hall/ZOOM |
| 6:30pm | Earth Care Committee: W&M Conversation Series |
| 7:00pm | AA Wmsbg. Tuesday Night Big Book Study / LL049 |
| 7:00pm | Lenten Book Study / ZOOM |

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16

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| 6:00pm | Genesis Ringers / Bell Room |
| 6:00pm | UKirk Campus Ministry / UKirk Rm |
| 6:30pm | Admin. Ministry Mtg. / ZOOM |
| 7:00pm | Lenten Worship Service: <i>Creating God's Table</i> / Sanctuary and Live-streamed |

THURSDAY, MARCH 17

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| 4:30pm | Carol Choir and Junior Choir / Children's Choir Room |
| 7:00pm | Christian Outreach Ministry / LL010 |
| 7:30pm | Westminster Ringers / LL049 |

FRIDAY, MARCH 18

SATURDAY, MARCH 19

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| 2:00pm | Memorial Service and Reception for Roger Millirons / Sanctuary and Stevenson Hall |
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~ **NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP: MARCH 20, 2022 - 3RD SUNDAY IN LENT** ~

The sermon will based on I Corinthians 10:1-13 and Luke 13:1-9.

***9:30am service is live-streamed on mywpc.org and YouTube.**

****11:00am service is broadcast on FM93.5 The Burg and AM740.**

∞ LENTEN MID-WEEK WORSHIP SERVICES ∞

Rooted in Grace

7 to 7:30pm

March 16: *Finding God's Table*

March 23: *Opening God's Table*

March 30: *Filling God's Table*

April 6: *Serving at God's Table*

∞ HOLY WEEK WORSHIP ∞

PALM SUNDAY

April 10, *9:30 & **11am

MAUNDY THURSDAY

April 14, *7pm

GOOD FRIDAY TENEBRAE

April 15, *7pm

EASTER SUNDAY

April 17

*9:30 & **11am

*9:30am service is live-streamed on mywpc.org.

**11:00am service is broadcast on FM93.5 The Burg and AM740.