



**MADISON
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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Madison Presbyterian Church

MARCH 24, 2019 — 10:00 A.M.

3RD SUNDAY IN LENT

The * indicates when to rise in body or in spirit.

Parents, welcome to Madison Presbyterian Church! Please find a listing of optional accommodations that we can provide for you and your child printed in the announcements in this bulletin.

GATHERING GOD'S PEOPLE

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME TO THE FAMILY OF GOD! WE ARE BOUND TOGETHER BY THE LOVE OF GOD AND BY CONCERN FOR EACH OTHER AND FOR THE WORLD IN WHICH WE LIVE.

PRELUDE

“Angelus”

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WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign and pass the Fellowship Pad at this time. Please note prayer requests and announcements.

THE UNISON PRAYER OF ADORATION

Loving God, your glory and power surround us in this sanctuary.

We lift up our hands and call on your name. When we consider how you have helped us, saved us and loved us, we cling to you, singing praises with joyful lips. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

INTROIT

From Psalm 63

O God, you are my God, eagerly I seek you;
my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you,
as in a barren and dry land where there is no water.
Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place,
that I might behold your power and your glory.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Ps. 63

L: You, God, are my God.

R: Your love is better than life. I will praise you as long as I live
and in your name I will lift up my hands.

L: Because you are my help, I cling to you. Your right hand upholds

me.

R: Because your love is better than life, I will praise your name.

***HYMN**

“The Lord Is God”

63

THE CALL TO CONFESSION

The Scriptures call us to turn from our sinful ways and return to God, who offers mercy and pardon. Trusting in that mercy, let us call upon God who is near . Let us pray together.

THE UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, we confess that we have grown complacent. We are too much about our own agendas and too little about yours. You call us to attend to urgent needs in the world, but we indulge our own desires.

Our ways are not your ways. Our thoughts are not your thoughts.

Forgive us when we fall short of your claim upon our lives. Disturb our complacency and quicken our desire for a more fruitful life.

Be patient, we pray, as we amend who we are in the hope of becoming who you intend us to be. We ask this in the name of our Savior, your Son, Jesus Christ.

(A moment of silence is observed.)

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

698

**Take, O take me as I am; summon out what I shall be;
set your seal upon my heart and live in me. (sung twice)**

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

L: God’s love is sure and steadfast, always providing a way out, a way through, a way back to God. Through the waters of baptism, we have died with Christ and are raised with him. With gratitude, in faith, we proclaim that our sins are forgiven.

R: Thanks be to God!

***RESPONSE OF PRAISE**

Gloria Patri

581

**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.**

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HEARING GOD'S WORD

THE UNISON PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

L: Let us pray together.

R: We seek you in your Word, O God, as though we are searching for water in a dry and weary land. By the power of your Holy Spirit, may this Word be to us like an ever-flowing stream. Amen.

THE FIRST LESSON Isaiah 55: 1-9 O. T. 685-686

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

R: Thanks be to God.

THE ANTHEM "Lord, I Call to You" Mozart

Lord, I call to you,
show forth your love, have mercy.

Lord, hear my supplication.

Blot out all my sin,
wash me through and through.
Send your joy, Lord, once more.

Show forth your love, Lord,
hear my prayer.

THE TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

THE SECOND LESSON Luke 13: 1-9 N. T. 76

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

R: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Spare the Ax"

RESPONDING IN FAITH

***HYMN** “Restore in Us, O God” **434**

***THE APOSTLES’ CREED** 35

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.

OFFERING

Offertory “Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now” Walther

Offering

*Doxology 606

***The Unison Prayer of Dedication**

God of wilderness and promise, in days of want and in days of plenty, you have been with us. By these gifts we now share, may others know of your care.

Send us—not only our offerings, but our very selves—to console and comfort, to lift up and reach out, to listen and sit beside your children everywhere. In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer (*using “debts” and “debtors”*) 35

***HYMN** “Called as Partners in Christ’s Service” **761**

***BENEDICTION**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE** DuBois

Christ, we do all adore thee, and we do praise thee forever,
for on the holy cross hast thou the world from sin redeemed.

POSTLUDE “Fugue on the Magnificat” Bach

Thank you for being with us in worship. If you are new in the area or are looking for a church home, we invite you to join us for worship, fellowship, study, and service.

Liturgy taken and adapted from “Feasting on the Word Worship Companion,” John Knox Press, Copyright



A nursery is available for young children. If you are unfamiliar with the location of the nursery, please ask an usher.

LITURGIST — Jim Bartlett
USHERS — Jennifer Saroka and Don Clapham
GREETERS — Josh and Cathy Owsley
GATHERING MUSIC — Jean Beaver

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK— 81

PRAYER LIST

Congregation: Sharon Auxier, Judith Glass, Mary Louise Grimes, Carole Hanson, Tony Harrell, Bob and Pat Hughes, Al Huntington, Betty King, Katie Mathews, Beth Orrill, Janet Rhodes, Alicia Ricketts, Jennifer Saroka, Staci Torres, Greg Ziesemer.

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Family and Friends: Steve Aldridge, Mike Baker (Mary Davee's brother), Steve Baker, Mason Barger, Michelle Barlow, Lloyd Bell, Robert Black, Carol Blasdel, Donna Bowman, Todd Bredenkamp, Connie Brink, Mike Brown, Chris Browning, Michael Busching, Becky Chase, children separated from their parents, Sherry Craddock, Marie Cross, Hilary Drake, Phillip Eades, Erik, Mary Estes, Trish Frye, Jessica Garvey and family, Pat Goley, Jo Gray, Shirley Griffith, Chuck Hale, Peggy Hans, Milly Harness, Lila Haynes and family, Brittany Henry, Bill Hughes, James Jackson, Lois Jackson, Curtis Jacobs, Brittney Johnson and family, Ruth Johnson, Vince Johnson and his wife Mary Jean Woodburn, Kaya Kabota, Candy Kahn and family, Cathy Kish, Michael Sean Kugler, Paul Limato, Jeff Lineburg (Janet Castor's brother), Steve Livingston, Terra Louis, Jason Mace, Madison Correctional Facility, Madison State Hospital, Mary McClure, Tabatha Melton, Gaye Mill, Brad Miller, John Mircheff (Mary Louise Grimes' son-in-law), Julie Monroe, Jeanine Hill Moran, Gary and Geneva Napier, Muriel Newcomb, Pam, Bill Parker, Joy Parks, Wanda Payton, Frank Pearson, Nak Phok, Jennifer Poggel, Michelle Powers, Jim Render (brother of Judith Glass), Jim Risk, Roberto, Randall Robertson, Cora Russell, Susan Ryan, Susan Schafer and family, Jeff, Janna and Rachel Schmidt, Donna and Travis Smith and family, Jessica Smith, Laryssa Smith, Therese Spence, Michael Staub, Roy Stone, Jody Sullivan, Mary Lynn Summerfeld, Denver Taylor, Trey Taylor, Jean Trillet (Jim Grant's sister), Doug Vaughn, Peggy Voris and family, Buddy Waller, Warren (friend of Bob and Judith Glass), Jaye Weaver, Tom Weber, Laurel Lyn Wiest, Sue Williams, Kyle Wilson.

MPC Rotating Prayer Calendar for the Week of March 24

Alicia and Zach Ricketts
Elsie Marie and Henry
Eric Newman

THE MADISON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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“We are part of the Family of God! As a Christian family, we seek to practice the generous hospitality of Jesus Christ, who welcomes all. As a worshipping family, we seek to enhance and expand our experience of God in worship. As a family of Christ’s disciples, we seek to grow in our understanding of God’s grace and God’s claim upon our lives. As a mission-oriented family, we express our faith in action. As an historic Presbyterian family in a contemporary setting, we are rooted and grounded in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) as we strive to remain relevant to the needs of our community. As the joyful children of God, we live in faith, hope and love!”

THE SESSION

2019

2020

2021

Jennifer Saroka Finance	Katie Mathews Christian Education	Natalie Willis Buildings and Grounds
Libby Sheppard Mission	Dianna Terry Fellowship	Mike Dorsey Fellowship
Brett Corbin Personnel	Shari Vaughn Worship	Gina Freeman Membership

BOARD OF DEACONS

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Crystal Dashiell	Don Clapham	Janet Castor
Dan Smith	Staci Torres	Gregg Mayberry

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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