

Worship for the Third Sunday of Lent,
March 20, 2022 ~ 10:30 am

Common Ground

The Presbyterian USA Congregation in the Colonial Heights Neighborhood



Welcome newcomer or long time
friend.
We're glad you are with us today!
We invite you to share in the
ministry & celebration of our life
together in Christ through Worship,
Study, & Service.



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WELCOME

GREETING

Ms. Kate Belt, RULING ELDER

PRELUDE

Ms. Ivona Schaker, MUSIC DIRECTOR

*Pease join us as we light our candles as sign of our gathering.***HYMN OF PRAISE & THANKSGIVING #479** ***Ho, All Who Thirst*** JACOB'S WELL**OUR CALL FOR OUR JOURNEY FROM ANXIETY TO PEACE**

For forty days and nights the rain fell, and the waters covered the face of the earth.

Lead us, O Lord, from death to life.

For forty years the people wandered, seeking the land of God's promise.

Lead us, O Lord, from death to life.

Moses spent forty days on the mountain, learning the commandments of God.

Lead us, O Lord, from death to life.

Elijah traveled forty days in the wilderness to hear the voice of God in the silence.

Lead us, O Lord, from death to life.

Jonah cried out to the people of Nineveh: Repent, or in forty days you will perish.

Lead us, O Lord, from death to life.

Jesus fasted and prayed for forty days and was tested by the devil.

Lead us, O Lord, from death to life.

Gracious God, our very way in the wilderness, guide us through these forty days, and minister to us with your Holy Spirit, so that we may be reformed, restored, and renewed; through Jesus Christ.

*We continue our prayer in a time of silence.***#775** ***I Want Jesus to Walk with Me*** WALK WITH ME***I want Jesus to walk with me. I want Jesus to walk with me.******All along my pilgrim journey, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.******In my trials, Lord, walk with me. In my trials, Lord, walk with me.******When my heart is almost breaking, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.******When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me. When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me.******When my head is bowed in sorrow, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.***WORDS OF ASSURANCE *We pour the water and remember our baptism with gladness.*

Are you thirsty for grace? Are you hungry for mercy?

God is calling; come to the waters. Trusting in God's grace and mercy, we proclaim God's love has been poured into our hearts through the gift of the Holy Spirit. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! **Thanks be to God****CELEBRATING GOD'S GRACE #582** (VASILE) GLORY TO GOD***Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me******Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son,
whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.******As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be amen.******World without end, without end, Amen. World without end, without end, Amen. World without end, without end, Amen. As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, Amen.***

WORD & WONDER

WONDER & BLESSING WITH OUR CHILDREN #203 VSS 2 & 4

CHEREPONI

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with your Love

Refrain: ***Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,
show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.
Neighbors are wealthy and poor, varied in color and race;
neighbors are near and far away refrain
Loving puts us on our knees, willing to wash others' feet;
this is the way we should live like you. refrain***

OUR PRAYER FOR HEARING GOD'S WORD

THE STORY OF FAITH FROM THE SCRIPTURES

HEBREW SCRIPTURES Isaiah 55:1-13

PSALM RESPONSE Psalm 63:1-8

GOSPEL TEXT Luke 13:1-9

REFLECTING ON THE SCRIPTURES TOGETHER A Community of Lament Rev. Ms. Linda Stewart-Kalen

Offering Our DiscipleshipOUR OFFERING-*our trust, our prayers, our gifts and tithes****Sung Prayer: #470 There is a Longing in Our Hearts*** vs 2 LONGING***Refrain: There is a longing in our hearts, O Lord, for you to reveal yourself to us.******There is a longing of our hearts for love we only find in you, our God.******For wisdom, for courage, for comfort hear our prayer.******In weakness, in fear: be near hear our prayer, O God. refrain****After a brief time of silence, we have the opportunity to pray our thanks and concerns:**...Help us to walk in your Way.****Help us to remember the Way is made by walking.******SERVICE OF THE TABLE****Communion will be celebrated each Sunday in Lent—See Service of the Table insert.**An open invitation to communion is practiced within Presbyterian Church (USA)**congregations. We invite all visitors and friends who trust in Jesus Christ**to join in being nourished at the Lord's Table.***THE PRAYER THAT JESUS TAUGHT**

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 glory forever. Amen.

***HYMN OF PEACE AND PARTING #307 God of Grace and God of Glory** CWM RHONDDA

***CHARGE & BLESSING**

***POSTLUDE**

All thanks for our Music Director, Ivona Schacker, our liturgist, Kate Belt, online host & technicians Kate Belt & Seth Kalen who ensure the technology is a blessing, not a burden for our congregation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

No words can express my gratitude for the time away on Sabbatical, and the gracious work that made this possible. I am delighted to have the opportunity to be back in active ministry with you for the this Lenten pilgrimage! Pastor Linda Stewart-Kalen

Canopy

Standing close to the power of what is holy--
We are dwarfed in time, space, strength, and beauty.
The integrity of creation calls to us,
not to be belittled as we are dwarfed,
but it invites us into the expansiveness of God's dance
with humanity and all nature.
We look up and see the light filtered to us, and
know we are beloved as this canopy
whispers—songs of joy—and we are at peace

People of Common Ground

*Sometimes we need a community unafraid of holding
true lament and true joy at the same time.
It's one of our core practices.
In a world that demoralizes and distresses
the vulnerable near and far, trees like this one link
heaven and earth restoring and strengthening us for the
road ahead, for the work to do.*



CURRENT BUILDING USE

Sunday	9:00-10:00 am	Musician Rehearsals Chapel & Sanctuary
	10:00 am	MCC of Portland Worship in-person in the Sanctuary and on Facebook/YouTube
	10:15 am	Welcome & Greeting for Common Ground in the Chapel
	10:30 am	Common Ground Worship in-person in the Chapel and on Zoom <i>you can request the link through the church office</i>

**Spring Break for Hawthorne Family Playschool usually with us M-F 8:30 am-12:30 pm outdoor classrooms, restrooms
We have hours available for young people to work with us at the church building inside and out**

Monday	11:00 am-6:30 pm	Meg Dixon, MIR- Voice & Piano Lessons-Chapel
	9:00 am-2:00 pm	Office Hours, open for Community Service hours as well
	12:00-5:00 pm	Megan Cronin, MIR-Violin & Viola lessons-Friendship Room
	4:30 pm	Session Meeting at the home of Kate Belt, please let us know if you wish to attend
	6:45-9:00 pm	PDX Vox- Chapel

Tuesday	9:00 am-2:00 pm 6:00-8:00 pm 6:45 pm 6:45-9:00 pm	Office Hours, open for Community Service hours as well Clarinet & Woodwind Ensemble- Social Hall 3rd Tuesdays Monthly Reading & Reflection Book Group-Zoom & at the home of Kate Belt next meetings April 19 & May 17 PDX Vox- Chapel
Wednesday	11:00 am-1:00 pm 11:00 am-1:00 pm 12:00 pm 6:30-8:30 pm 6:30-8:30 pm 7:00-9:00 pm 7:00-10:00 pm	Office Hours, Community service hours 11:00 am-3:00 pm Quiet Space in the Sanctuary or Chapel Mid-day, Midweek Prayer—Rev. Tim Winslea, RN via Zoom see back page HFP Board Meetings (first Wednesdays): 4/6, 5/4 Community Meetings (typically 3rd Wednesdays) 2nd Wednesdays MCC Board Meeting-Social Hall Logan Thane Brown, MIR- Brass groups- Sanctuary
Thursday	9:30 am-1:30 pm 10:00-11:00 am	Office Hours Weekly Tai Chi Joan Smith-Front Porch or Grounds,
Friday	7:00 pm	Office Closed MA meets in Friendship Room or Social Hall
Saturday	10:00 -11:30 am 9:00 am-12:00 pm 1:30–6:30 pm	Office Closed <i>Overeaters Anonymous in-person mtg. possible soon-Social Hall</i> Logan Thane Brown, MIR- Brass groups- Sanctuary Gregor McGee, MIR—Sanctuary
NEXT SUNDAY	9:00-10:00 am 10:00-11:00 am 10:15 am 10:30 am	Musician Rehearsals preparation, Chapel & Sanctuary <i>Meg Dixon, MIR is our Guest Musician March 27</i> MCC Worship-Sanctuary with in-person and on Facebook <i>We do not schedule the Sanctuary use without MCC coordination</i> Welcome & Greeting for Common Ground in the Chapel Common Ground Worship in the Chapel & Zoom or use website resources for personal at home devotions

Open to all!

Conversations & Skill Building for Mental Health & Wellness: April, May & June date & topics TBA-Look for announcements and plan on joining in the conversation.

Presbyterian Urban Network 1:30 pm 4th Sundays

PUN– March 27 in person here at Common Ground and by Zoom, use the Mid day prayer link.

We will be hosting **Brian Heron, Presbyter for Vision & Mission and Gail Black, Vice Moderator for the NE Region** along with PUN friends— All are welcome as we discuss the future of the church in our area.

UPCOMING BUILDING USE

Oboe Recital- Rehearsal April 8 afternoon & evening, Performance April 10 evening

Confluence Concert in Sanctuary on Saturday, June 4, 2022 at 7:30 pm

All Are Welcome



We practice the privilege of prayer.

What do you hear God saying to our congregation about our calling in the reign of God?

Jesus said, "Abide in me....Love one another."

We Give Thanks for . . . Naomi Caster and her work in leading our *Mental Health Conversations & Skill Building* and for the people willing to get the training in suicide prevention she provided this last Sunday, Spring Break this week for Reed, HFP, PPS and many others, our book group's fully in-person meeting and Mira Jacob's book *Good Talk* and the chance to meet Kate's Cousin Jill . . .

We Seek God's protection and guidance . . . All seeking a way to peace in Europe, Ethiopia, Myanmar . . .

We Call Upon God's Strength & Healing Presence for . . . John Hubbard, participants in Tai Chi, Matthew & Lisa's grandmother with very slow recovery from a heart procedure . . .

We Ask for Hope & Assurance for Those Who Face Uncertainty . . . The people of Ukraine, and for all who will work for a less violent world, our armed forces and their families in Europe at this time . . .

Through Us May God Comfort Those Who Grieve . . . Teacher Susan's father died this last week—we hold her family and the HFP community in prayer . . .

We pray for the Church & the World . . . Our Presbytery's new mission and vision statements (posted on the entry area bulletin board . . .

Mid-week, Mid-Day Prayer resumes with Rev. Tim Winslea, RN

We are praying through the use of *Avatars* patterned on the simulations

Tim's nursing students are engaged in for their practical learning.

Each *Avatar* represents a kind of person in need of healing that nurses will encounter in their work.

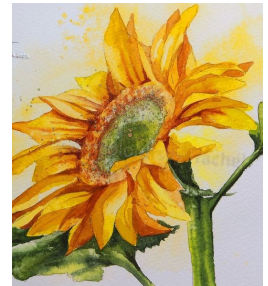
We learn about those challenges, and pray for patients and for those who practice the healing arts.

Rev. Tim Winslea, our PUN Nurse, typically meets on Wednesday at Noon each week for a service of prayer with guests and members of PUN. Please join us for this weekly contemplation of our wellness ministry. We have an in-person option in our Chapel, or you may participate by ZOOM (phone, tablet or computer access)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81327678965?pwd=dURsbW9xdEZ0QVYkZ2Z2NDTFRmZmJsUT09>

Meeting ID: 813 2767 8965 Passcode: 881198



Intercessory Prayer...

Praying this week for our congregation & friends: John and Judy Hubbard as John recovers from having a pacemaker implanted to help his heart function.

Our Ministry & Mission: Our Presbytery Accompaniment Team

Rev. Gregg Neel

Ruling Elder Janet Anderson

Rev. Sandy Hackett

Westminster PDX PC,

Trout Lake PC,

Mt. Tabor PC

Where did you see Jesus?

Share your story in a few words (less than 250) with any Session member (Kate, Emily, Linda) or at our office email: office@chpcpdx.org



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