

Celebration of Worship

Fifth Sunday in Lent

April 3, 2022

9:30 A.M.

*We are followers of Jesus Christ, living and sharing
the love of God through faith and action, welcoming all.*

Prelude

Meditation

From *With Open Hands* by Henri J.M. Nouwen

“When we live from God’s breath, we recognize with joy that the same breath that keeps us alive is also the source of life for our brothers and sisters. This realization makes our fear of the other disappear, our weapons fall away, and brings a smile to our lips. When we recognize the breath of God in others, we can let them enter our lives and receive the gifts they offer us.”

Welcome and Announcements

Ringling of the Bell

Song *Surely the Presence of the Lord Is in This Place*

Call to Worship

Leader: Family of God, we gather as who we are, and we bring what we have.

People: Let us encounter the new thing God is doing among us.

Leader: We bring joy and sorrow, hope and despair, resources and need, certainty and questions.

People: Let us engage the new thing God is doing among us.

Leader: In this space, we meet the One who parts seas, creates paths, and changes circumstances.

People: Let us encourage the new thing God is doing among us.

Prayer of Invocation

Leader: Eternal God, we rejoice in Your presence. We acknowledge that You have done great things in our history, in our present, and in our future. Our hope rests in You. We rejoice in confidence that You abide in our dry spaces and in our flowing streams. Lead us through troubling times and empower us to continue to press toward You and Your way. In our worship, part our lips in praise, open our hearts in love, and quench our spirits in worship. Amen.

Hymn

Here I Am to Worship

Prayer of Confession

All: You called us to life in the Spirit, yet we seek to satisfy the flesh. We call You gracious, yet we practice greed. We praise You with our lips, O God, yet we do not honor You in our lives. Discontent consumes us as we yearn for still more things. We know that to live by Your grace promises inheritance of new life. Redeem our enslavement to corruptible desires, that we may be worthy to be called righteous in Christ.

Assurance of God’s Grace

Leader: Paul declares that if the Spirit of God dwells in us, the One who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will give life to our mortal bodies through God’s Spirit which dwells in us. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. Believe this word of promise and walk in newness of life.

Gloria Patri

Passing of the Peace

(Children in PreK through 5th Grade are dismissed to the Shine Program)

Hymn

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

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Scripture Readings

Psalm 126

John 12:1-8

Anthem

Who Is That Man?

Besig/Price

Chancel Choir

Who is that Man? O who is that Man praying in the moonlit garden?

What does He seek? Why does he weep all alone?

Where have they gone? O where have they gone, those who always walk beside Him?

Where can they be? Why do they leave Him alone?

Why, O why do some want to hurt Him? What has he done to make them afraid?

Why, O why do his friends now desert Him, closing their eyes, turning away?

Who is that Man? O who is that Man hanging there in pain and sorrow?

Why must He die? Why must he suffer there and die all alone?

Scripture Reading

Philippians 3:4b-14

Sermon

“I Want My Life Back”

Rev. Phil Davis, Sr.

Prayers of the People

Lighting of Prayer Candles

Prayer and The Lord's Prayer (Debts/debtors)

Offering Please place your offering in the plates at the exit doors,
mail your gifts to the church, or click the WPC website 'Give' button

Doxology

Blessing of the Offering

Service of Holy Communion

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Minister: It is right, and a good and a joyful thing, always and everywhere, to give thanks to you, Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth. You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away and our love failed, your love remained steadfast. You delivered us from captivity and made covenant to be our sovereign God, brought us to a land flowing with milk and honey, and set before us the way of life.

People: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Invitation to the Table

Minister: Friends, this is the joyful feast of the people of God! They will come from east and west, and from north and south, and sit at the table in the kingdom of God. Our Savior invites those that trust him to sit at the table in the kingdom of God.

Sharing of the Bread and the Wine

The Words of Institution

Minister: Every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the saving death of the risen Lord. Now all the people say,

People: Amen, Amen, and Amen!

Hymn

For Everyone Born

Benediction

Postlude

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THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, April 3

9:30 A.M. Worship Service in the Sanctuary and Live-streamed

10:30 A.M. Church of God by Faith in the Chapel

10:45 A.M. Adult Ed. Lenten Series in Room 9/10

3:00 P.M. Youth to Greater Rochester Peep Show

Monday, April 4

6:30 P.M. Session Meeting in Room 9/10 and on Zoom

7:00 P.M. Boy Scout Troop 262 in the Social & Memorial Rooms

Tuesday, April 5

9:30 A.M. Women's Bible Study in Room 9/10

5:30 P.M. TOPS Meeting in Room 9/10

6:00 P.M. Girl Scout Troop 454 in the Social Room

7:00 P.M. Boy Scout Committee in the Memorial Room

Wednesday, April 6

6:30 A.M. Men's Bible Study at Golden Boys Restaurant

7:00 P.M. Scout Troop 425 in the Social Room

Thursday, April 7

7:30 A.M. Men's Bible Study on Zoom

9:00 A.M. Glory Bells Rehearsal in the Sanctuary

6:00 P.M. Alleluia Bells Rehearsal in the Sanctuary
Daisy Troop 568 in the Social Room

Friday, April 8

10:30 A.M. Books, Faith & Friendship Group on Zoom

Saturday, April 9

9:00 A.M. Prayer Time on Zoom

ROC Ringers in the Sanctuary

10:00 A.M. Family Easter Party in the Social Room

Sunday, April 10

9:30 A.M. Worship Service in the Sanctuary and Live-streamed

10:30 A.M. Church of God by Faith in the Chapel

10:45 A.M. Adult Ed. Lenten Series in Room 9/10

4:00 P.M. Youth Fellowship in the Kitchen

Surely the Presence of the Lord Is in This Place

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;
I can feel His mighty power and His grace.
I can hear the brush of angel's wings; I see glory on each face.
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

Here I Am to Worship

Light of the World, You stepped down into darkness,
Opened my eyes, let me see
Beauty that made this heart adore You,
Hope of a life spent with You.

Refrain:

Here I am to worship; Here I am to bow down;
Here I am to say that You're my God.
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,
Altogether wonderful to me.

King of all days, O so highly exalted,
Glorious in Heaven above,
Humbly You came to the earth You created
All for love's sake became poor. Refrain

Gloria Patri

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.

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.
Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ my God.
All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood.
See, from His head, His hands, His feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down.
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?
Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small,
Love so amazing, so divine demands my soul, my life, my all.

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

For Everyone Born

For everyone born, a place at the table,
For everyone born, clean water and bread,
A shelter, a space, a safe place for growing,
For everyone born, a star overhead.

Refrain: (after each verse)

And God will delight when we are creators of justice
and joy, compassion and peace;
Yes, God will delight when we are creators of justice,
justice and joy!

For woman and man, a place at the table,
Revising the roles, deciding the share,
With wisdom and grace, dividing the power,
For woman and man, a system that's fair.

For young and for old, a place at the table,
A voice to be heard, a part in the song,
The hands of a child in hands that are wrinkled,
For young and for old, the right to belong.

For just and unjust, a place at the table,
Abuser, abused, with need to forgive,
In anger, in hurt, a mindset of mercy,
For just and unjust, a new way to live.

For everyone born, a place at the table,
To live without fear, and simply to be,
To work, to speak out, to witness and worship,
For everyone born, the right to be free.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. WELCOME to Webster Presbyterian Church! We are pleased that you are worshipping with us, whether in person or by Live Streaming.
2. SUNDAY SERVICES continue to be live-streamed. You can watch them live at 9:30 or later at your leisure using:
Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/Websterpres/>
or **YouTube** <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzM5-thYxua2HQSPF6P71wA>
3. SERVICE GUIDELINES FOR IN-PERSON WORSHIP – Masks are now optional in the church building.
4. ADULT ED. - Join us following the worship service in Room 9/10 as we continue the DVD Lenten series “Final Words from the Cross,” narrated by Adam Hamilton, examining Christ’s dying hours and his final words, “I Thirst”.
5. EASTER FLOWER ORDERS deadline is tomorrow. Choose from lilies (\$18.00), yellow tulips (\$14.00) and pink azaleas (\$21.50). The flowers will decorate the Sanctuary on Easter morning and can be in honor or memory of a loved one. Flowers can be taken home after the service or you may choose to donate them to our Friends at Home. To place your order, see Sue Wrobleski in the Narthex before or after the service today, or contact Sue (sue.wrobleski@icloud.com, 545-4807), or the church office.
6. ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE NARTHEX, there is an opportunity to share Words of Hope for this Lenten season. Please take a moment to stop and share your Words of Hope and see the thoughts of others.
7. OUR ANNUAL ONE GREAT HOUR SHARING (OGHS) offering is being received until April 24th. Monies are collected by many denominations, and for Presbyterians, they are distributed to three very important causes: disaster relief, hunger relief, and self-development of peoples (training, education, etc.). Please prayerfully consider giving generously to this important offering again this year by using the envelopes in the chair racks or mailing in your checks made out to WPC.

8. Please join your Spiritual Nurture Committee on Holy Saturday, April 16th, 11:30 A.M.-Noon, via ZOOM for the spiritual practice of contemplative prayer in shared silence. Our purpose is to make ourselves available to God, to listen to God and thereby to glimpse “...the peace of God that transcends all understanding...” Phil. 4:7 The link will be shared on Maundy Thursday.
9. HEART AND HAND KITS for sewing children's surgery caps for Golisano Children's Hospital are available on a table across the hall from the church office. These are quite easy to complete with one circular edge hem and insertion of elastic. Thank you for any help you can provide."

MEMORY VERSE

*“For God so loved the world that He gave his one and only son,
that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.”*
John 3:16

LECTIONARY PASSAGES

	<u>Today, April 3rd</u>	<u>Next Sunday, April 10th</u>
Old Testament	<i>Isaiah 43:16-21</i>	<i>Isaiah 50:4-9a</i>
Psalm	<i>Psalms 126</i>	<i>Psalms 31:9-16</i>
New Testament	<i>Philippians 3:4b-14</i>	<i>Philemon 2:5-11</i>
Gospel	<i>John 12:1-8</i>	<i>Luke 22:14 - 23:56</i>

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