

Celebration of Worship

Third Sunday in Lent

March 20, 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 *Blessings* Sarah White

Welcome, Announcements and Moment for Mission

Ringling of the Bell

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

Call to Worship

Leader: Come, everyone who thirsts. Come to the waters.
Come to the wells.

**People: Our souls thirst for you, O God. We lift up our hands
and call on your name.**

Leader: Come without money. Come without cost. Incline your
ears and listen for good news.

**People: Our flesh faints for you, O God. Our lips sing
praises, beholding your glory.**

Leader: Come, eat well. Come, feast upon true riches. Be filled
with that which sustains you.

**People: Our souls are satisfied in you, O God. In the shadow
of your wings, we sing with joy.**

Invocation

Leader: Author of abundance, God of change, we come into this
hour with holy expectations. As we travel on our journey
of transformation this Lenten season, we know that you
are with us. You walk beside us. Your presence
surrounds us. Help us to bear fruit as we walk this road.
Remind us that you will never leave us or forsake us,
that your rod and your staff comfort us, that you have
prepared a feast for us where all can come and eat.
Keep us forever in the path as we worship you in spirit
and in truth. Amen.

Hymn *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah* # 281

Invitation to Confession / Invitation to Change

Leader: God, you call us to step more deeply into ourselves as we
amend and awaken to who you desire us to be. Let us
acknowledge our transgressions in stillness and in silence
so that we may prepare our hearts for change.

Moment of Silence

Prayer of Confession

**People: We confess that we have not always brought forth
good fruit. In the midst of chaos and frenzy, we have
often lost our way. Our feet have strayed from the
place where we met you. Our egos have kept us from
seeing our missteps. Yet with you we know there's
another chance for change. There is another
opportunity to bear good fruit in a world full of
spoiled and rotten produce and systems designed to
kill. We are called to be the change that sustains
generations. Let us lean with you into this chance for
transformation.**

Assurance of Grace

Leader: God's grace and mercy abounds. God is with us in the
change. God's everlasting arms embrace us. Each of us
is beloved, affirmed, and set free. Amen.

People: Thanks be to God!

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.

Children's Time

A Social Distant Passing of the Peace

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

Hymn *Amazing Grace* # 280

Scripture Readings *Psalms 68:1-8
Luke 13:6-9*

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.

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak, but Thou art mighty; hold me with Thy powerful hand.
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,
Feed me till I want no more, feed me till I want no more.
Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow.
Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through.
Strong deliverer, strong deliverer,
Be Thou still my strength and shield; be Thou still my strength and shield.
When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside.
Death of death and hell's destruction land me safe on Canaan's side.
Songs of praises, songs of praises
I will ever give to Thee; I will ever give to Thee.

Amazing Grace

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now I'm found; was blind, but now I see.
'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear and grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!
Through many dangers, toils and snares I have already come.
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
The Lord has promised good to me; His word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.
When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.

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.

Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley

Jesus walked this lonesome valley; He had to walk it by Himself.
O, nobody else could walk it for Him; He had to walk it by Himself.
We must walk this lonesome valley; we have to walk it by ourselves.
O, nobody else can walk it for us; we have to walk it by ourselves.
You must go and stand your trial; you have to stand it by yourself.
O, nobody else can stand it for you; you have to stand it by yourself.

MEMORY VERSE

*"For I am convinced that neither death nor life,
neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future,
nor any powers, neither height nor depth,
nor anything else in all creation will be able to
separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord."
Romans 8:38-39*

LECTIONARY PASSAGES

	<u>Today, March 20th</u>	<u>Next Sunday, March 27th</u>
Old Testament	<i>Isaiah 55:1-9</i>	<i>Joshua 5:9-12</i>
Psalm	<i>Psalms 63:1-8</i>	<i>Psalms 32</i>
New Testament	<i>I Corinthians 10:1-13</i>	<i>II Corinthians 5:16-21</i>
Gospel	<i>Luke 13:1-9</i>	<i>Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32</i>

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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 “Behold your Son...Behold your mother.”
5. THE APRIL *PATHWAY* DEADLINE is today. Please submit articles via email to both jchippero@websterpres.org and g Hubbard@websterpres.org.
6. EASTER FLOWER ORDERS are now being taken by the Deacons. 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 Wroblewski in the Narthex before or after the service today or the next 2 Sundays, or contact Sue (sue.wroblewski@icloud.com, 545-4807), or the church office. The deadline for ordering is Monday, April 4th.
7. 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.
8. THERE IS AN ENORMOUS NEED for relief for Ukrainians due to the war there. If you would like to voluntarily contribute to these efforts, please make your check or other donation payable to WPC and designate it for Ukraine. We will forward all donations received to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, who is already supporting churches and other organizations that they partner with in Ukraine and refugees in other countries.

THIS WEEK’S CALENDAR

Sunday, March 20 - *Pathway* Deadline

- 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 Games in the Social Room

Monday, March 21

- 7:00 P.M. Mission Committee on Zoom
- Boy Scout Troop 262 in the Social & Memorial Rooms

Tuesday, March 22

- 9:30 A.M. Women’s Bible Study in Room 9/10
- 5:30 P.M. TOPS Meeting in Room 9/10
- 7:00 P.M. Worship & Music Committee in Room 9/10

Wednesday, March 23

- 6:30 A.M. Men’s Bible Study at Golden Boys Restaurant
- 7:00 P.M. Scout Troop 425 in the Social Room

Thursday, March 24

- 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
- 6:30 P.M. Boy Scout Committee in the Memorial Room

Friday, March 25

- 9:00 A.M. Heart & Hand in the Memorial Room
- 10:30 A.M. Books, Faith & Friendship Group on Zoom

Saturday, March 26

- 9:00 A.M. Prayer Time on Zoom
- ROC Ringers in the Sanctuary

Sunday, March 27

- 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 Social Room