

# *Celebration of Worship*

## *First Sunday in Lent*

March 6, 2022

9:30 A.M.

### **Prelude**

### **Meditation**

Dorothy Day

“Does God have a set way of prayer, a way that He expects each of us to follow? I doubt it. I believe some people – lots of people – pray through the witness of their lives, through the work they do, the friendships they have, the love they offer people and receive from people. Since when are words the only acceptable form of prayer?”

### **Welcome and Announcements**

### **Ringling of the Bell**

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

### **Call to Worship**

Leader: We may be entering this season arid, dry from pain and injustices,

**People: And yet, God is still refreshing our spirits.**

Leader: We may be wandering, feeling as if we have no direction,

**People: And yet, God is guiding us in the wilderness.**

Leader: We may be fearful, wondering what comes next,

**People: And yet, God is surrounding us with peace.**

Leader: We may begin our Lenten journey spiritually arid, aimless and anxious,

**People: But the Spirit of Strength will never leave our side.**

### **Invocation**

Leader: Eternal God, as we journey into the wilderness, may Your light sustain us. May the questions that fill our minds with doubt drift away. May we dig within our souls to remove the prejudices deep within us. However we wander in this season, may Your Holy Spirit refocus our attention on our relationship with You and the ways we connect with our siblings. Bless us to experience Your presence as we worship. Amen.

**Hymn**      *Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above*      # 483

### **Prayer of Reflection and Growth**

**People:** Eternal God, we journey together into the wilderness again. In this time filled with new spiritual practices and studies, our minds may be “tested.” Doubts will creep in as we seek Your presence. At times, we will slide away from our responsibilities to care for Your creation. Deliver us from the temptations of this world and the tests that we impose upon ourselves. Amen.

### **Assurance of Grace**

Leader: As we aimlessly wander throughout this Lenten journey, God follows us – even into the depths of the wilderness. May we see God’s presence, knowing we are never alone on arid days and in barren lands. Amen.

### **Gloria Patri**

### **A Social Distant Passing of the Peace**

(Children in PreK through 5<sup>th</sup> Grade are dismissed to the Shine Program)

### **Hymn**

*I Will Come to You*

### **Scripture Readings**

*Psalms 91:1-2, 9-16*

*Romans 10:8b-13*

### **Anthem**

*How Beautiful*

Twila Paris

Chancel Choir

How beautiful the hands that served  
the wine and the bread and the children of earth.

How beautiful the feet that walked  
the long dusty roads and the hill to the cross.

How beautiful...is the body of Christ.

And as he laid down his life, we offer this sacrifice  
that we will live just as he died: willing to pay the price.

How beautiful the feet that bring  
the sound of good news and the love of the King.

How beautiful the hands that serve  
the wine and the bread and the children of earth.

How beautiful...is the body of Christ.

### **Scripture Reading**

*Luke 4:1-13*

### **Sermon**

*“Full of the Holy Spirit”*

Rev. Phil Davis, Sr.

### **Prayers of the People, Candle Lighting and The Lord’s Prayer**

## 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 and 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**      *Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days*      # 81

## Benediction

## Postlude

## 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 6<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>Next Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup></u>
Old Testament	<i>Deuteronomy 26:1-11</i>	<i>Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18</i>
Psalm	<i>Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16</i>	<i>Psalm 27</i>
New Testament	<i>Romans 10:8b-13</i>	<i>Philemon 3:17 – 4:1</i>
Gospel	<i>Luke 4:1-13</i>	<i>Luke 13:31-35</i>

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## **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.

## **Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above**

Sing praise to God, who reigns above, the God of all creation,  
The God of power, the God of love, the God of our salvation.  
With healing balm my soul is filled, and every faithless murmur stilled:  
To God all praise and glory!

What God's almighty power hath made, God's gracious mercy keepeth;  
By morning glow or evening shade God's watchful eye ne'er sleepeth.  
Within the kingdom of God's might, Lo! All is just and all is right:  
To God all praise and glory!

The Lord is never far away, but through all grief distressing,  
An ever-present help and stay, our peace and joy and blessing.  
As with a mother's tender hand, God gently leads the chosen band:  
To God all praise and glory!

Thus all my gladsome way along I sing aloud Thy praises  
That all may hear the grateful song my voice unwearied raises.  
Be joyful in the Lord, my heart, both soul and body take your part:  
To God all praise and glory!

## **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.

## **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.

## **I Will Come to You**

I will come to you in the silence; I will lift you from all your fear.  
You will hear my voice; I claim you as my choice.  
Be still and know I am here.

I am hope for all who are hopeless; I am eyes for all who long to see.  
In the shadows of the night, I will be your light.  
Come and rest in me.

Refrain:

Do not be afraid, I am with you. I have called you each by name.  
Come and follow me, I will bring you home;  
I love you and you are mine.

I am strength for all the despairing, healing for the ones who dwell  
in shame.

All the blind will see; the lame will all run free,  
And all will know my name. Refrain:

I am the Word that leads all to freedom; I am the peace the world  
cannot give.

I will call your name, embracing all your pain.  
Stand up, now walk and live! Refrain:

## **Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days**

Lord, who throughout these forty days for us didst fast and pray,  
Teach us with Thee to mourn our sins and close by Thee to stay.

As Thou with Satan didst contend and didst the victory win,  
O give us strength in Thee to fight, in Thee to conquer sin.

And through these days of penitence, and through Thy Passiontide,  
Yea, evermore, in life and death, O Lord, with us abide.

Abide with us, that so this life of suffering overpast,  
An Easter of unending joy we may attain at last!

## 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 required in the church building.  
Please worship at home if showing symptoms or testing positive.  
It is recommended that everyone get the full dose of one of the approved vaccinations, wear a properly fitted high quality mask, such as the kn95, and practice good social distancing.
4. ADULT ED. - Join us following the worship service:  
Today - We begin a DVD Lenten series “Final Words from the Cross,” narrated by Adam Hamilton, examining Christ’s dying hours and his final words beginning with “Father, Forgive Them...”  
Next Sunday - We continue the Lenten series with Jesus’ words, “Today You Will Be With Me in Paradise.”
5. TODAY IS THE FINAL SUNDAY to sign up for this coming Saturday’s 9:30 am to 3:00 pm All-Church Retreat as our next step in moving toward new pastoral leadership. Add your name to the list in the Narthex for the retreat and a free lunch, OR call the church office or email Tony Hubbard at [tghubbard@frontiernet.net](mailto:tghubbard@frontiernet.net). Lunches will be ordered on Tuesday, so anyone signing up after that day will be requested to bring their own lunch.
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. HEART AND HAND KITS for sewing placemats to give to Webster Meals on Wheels are available on a table outside the church office. We would appreciate your help in order to meet our goal of distributing at least 50 placemats during the Easter season. Thank you!

## THIS WEEK’S CALENDAR

### Sunday, March 6

- 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
- 1:40 P.M. Youth to the George Eastman Museum Flower Show

### Monday, March 7

- 6:30 P.M. Session Meeting in Room 9/10
- 7:00 P.M. Boy Scout Troop 262 in the Social & Memorial Rooms

### Tuesday, March 8

- 9:30 A.M. Women’s Bible Study in Room 9/10
- 5:00 P.M. Girl Scout Leaders in the Social Room
- 5:30 P.M. TOPS Meeting in Room 9/10
- 7:00 P.M. Boy Scout Committee in the Memorial Room
- 7:15 P.M. Trustees’ Meeting in Room 9/10

### Wednesday, March 9

- 6:30 A.M. Men’s Bible Study at Golden Boys Restaurant
- 10:00 A.M. Musicales in the Sanctuary
- 1:00 P.M. Naomi Circle in the Memorial Room
- 7:00 P.M. Scout Troop 425 in the Social Room

### Thursday, March 10

- 7:30 A.M. Men’s Bible Study on Zoom
- 9:00 A.M. Glory Bells Rehearsal in the Sanctuary
- 10:00 A.M. King Circle in the Memorial Room
- 6:00 P.M. Alleluia Bells Rehearsal in the Sanctuary  
Daisy Troop 568 in the Social Room
- 6:30 P.M. Youth Committee in the Youth Room

### Friday, March 11

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

### Saturday, March 12

- 9:00 A.M. Prayer Time on Zoom
- 9:30 A.M. Church Retreat in All Rooms of the Church

### Sunday, March 13

- 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
- 5:30 P.M. Girl Scout Troop 617 in Room 9/10