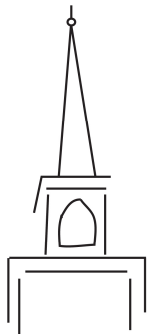




# *The Living Waters*



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LENT is marked by a time of prayer and preparation to celebrate Easter. Since Sundays celebrate the resurrection of Jesus, the six Sundays that occur during Lent are not counted as part of the 40 days of Lent, and are referred to as the Sundays in Lent. The number 40 is connected with many biblical events, but especially with the forty days Jesus spent in the wilderness preparing for His ministry by facing the temptations that could lead him to abandon his mission and calling. Christians today use this period of time for introspection, self-examination, and repentance.

**THE PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST** is when we become the embodiment of the "peace of Christ" that is offered to us with the forgiveness of sins.

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

The people are called to worship God. Words from scripture are spoken or sung to proclaim who God is and what God has done. We are thus reminded that our worship centers in God and not in ourselves. "Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth" (Ps. 124:8).

# SERVICE OF THE LORD'S DAY

March 27, 2011

*Third Sunday of Lent*

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Congregation responsively reads lines in bold text.

† Those able, please stand.

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## GOD CALLS US TOGETHER TO WORSHIP AND PRAISE

### CHIMING OF THE BELL

#### WELCOME

One: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please sign and pass the red friendship pads down your row, then pass back to center aisle.*

#### † GREETING ONE ANOTHER WITH THE PEACE OF CHRIST

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

#### PRELUDE "Little" Prelude in d minor (Jesus, Priceless Treasure) Johann Sebastian Bach

#### † CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God of Living Water, you call us to come and drink.

**People: And we have heard you.**

One: All who are thirsty, come to the fountain.

**People: We come to dip our souls in the stream of life, to drink deeply and satisfy our thirst.**

One: God of Living Water, the spring that never fails,

**All: may this time of worship refresh and revive us. May it energize us. May the drink we take today fill us so that we overflow with love, ready to share what we have found with all we meet.**

**Let us worship the Lord!**

#### † PRAYER OF INVOCATION

#### † HYMN 446 (People sing together) *Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken* AUSTRIAN HYMN

#### INVITATION TO CONFESSION OF SIN

#### SILENT CONFESSION

#### RESPONSIVE CONFESSION OF SINS (People pray together)

One: God of Living Water, you call us to come and drink.

**People: So why do we sit here and complain that there is not enough water?**

One: You call us to strike the rocks of our world and let your Living Water flow,

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** is intended to encourage people to lay down any burden of guilt or regret or any sense of failure and inadequacy, and to reaffirm their trust in Christ's unfailing love and forgiveness.

**WHAT WE CALL "OLD TESTAMENT"** is in fact the Hebrew Scriptures which Jesus and his disciples would have heard and studied. Christians call this the Old Testament (or old covenant) referring to God's first promise to Israel through Abraham. New Testament refers to the New Covenant or promise made by God to humanity through Jesus.

**SERMON OR MEDITATION** When the Bible has been read, its message is proclaimed in a sermon or other form of exposition of God's Word. The God who speaks in scripture speaks to us now. The God who acted in biblical history acts today. Through the Holy Spirit, Christ is present in the sermon, offering grace and calling for obedience.

**People:** but we do not trust enough that the spring is there. We want to find the water on our own, using our own wisdom.

**One:** You call us to share the Water of Life with the world around us,

**People:** but we believe that the water is limited, not abundant, and so we are tempted to save it for ourselves.

**One:** For all the times we turn away from your Water, for all the times we sully the Water by misusing it, for all the times we let others go thirsty instead of offering a drink,

**All:** forgive us we pray.

## DECLARATION OF PARDON AND THE REMEMBERING OF OUR BAPTISM

**RESPONSE TO GOD'S GRACE** (People sing together) *We Are Forgiven*

Hal Hopson

*All, unison*

The musical score is written for three staves in treble clef, 4/4 time, with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The tempo and dynamics are marked 'All, unison' and 'f'. The lyrics are: 'We are for - giv - en. We are for - giv - en. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God. We are for - giv - en. We are for - giv - en. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.'

## HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

### THE YOUNGER CHURCH

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### † READING FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES

(Pew Bible, p. 64, Old Testament)

Exodus 17:1-7

**One:** This is the word of our Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God!

### MEDITATION

Rev. Wendy Dewberry

### ANTHEM

*Lord, I Call To You* Wolfgang A. Mozart, ed. & arr. Hal Hopson

Lord, I call to you, 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.

Lord, I call to you, 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.

Lord, I call to you, Lord, I call to you, show forth your love, O Lord have mercy.  
 Blot out all my sin, wash me through and through.  
 O Lord, have mercy. Show forth your love, Lord, hear my prayer.

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** is the response of the congregation to the proclamation and hearing of God's Word in Scripture and sermon and to affirm its faith in God and God's actions in Jesus Christ.

**THE OFFERING** is also a significant part of our response to the Gospel. As we present the money which represents our commitment to the work of the church, we resolve to maintain this community of worship, fellowship and service.

**THE DOXOLOGY** is sung, ascribing glory to God. It usually reflects the Trinity — praising Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**HOLY COMMUNION** is a sacrament that is seen as part of our response to the Word of God. It is an act of remembrance of Jesus, a moment of fellowship with God and with all the people for whom God cares. It is both an occasion for personal spiritual nurture and a challenge to commit ourselves to giving and service. Holy Communion is celebrated in obedience to the command of our Lord who said "Do this in remembrance of me."

## † READING FROM THE GOSPEL

(Pew Bible, p. 94, New Testament)

John 4:5-29

One: This is the word of our Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

## MEDITATION

Rev. Tom Hagood

## † AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

# RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

## PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS

### OFFERTORY

*Fill My Cup, Lord*

Richard Blanchard

## † DOXOLOGY (Congregation sings)

*Praise God, from whom all blessing flow;  
Praise God all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

OLD HUNDREDTH

## PRAYER OF DEDICATION

# HOLY COMMUNION

## INVITATION TO THE TABLE

One: Come to the table, you broken and poor:  
The weak and the weary who hunger for more.  
This is the welcome you're searching for,  
here at the feast of the Lamb.  
Come to the banquet, find what you seek.  
There's wine for the thirsty and bread for the weak.  
Here at the table it's Love that you meet.  
Come to the feast of the Lamb.

**All: Gather round, and join hands at the table.  
Gather round, join the people of God.  
Gather round, join the choir of Angels.  
Come to the feast of the Lamb.**

One: Whatever your language, your color of skin,  
whatever the trouble you find yourself in,  
here's where the Story of stories begins,  
here at the feast of the Lamb.

**All: Gather round, and join hands at the table.  
Gather round, join the people of God.  
Gather round, join the choir of Angels.  
Come to the feast of the Lamb.**

## PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING

One: I am because we are.  
**People: We are because he is.**  
One: We are one body.  
**People: We share one bread.**  
One: Draw near with faith.  
**People: Christ is the host and we are his guests.**  
One: The miracle of communion is the experience of God in it . . .

## THE LORD'S PRAYER *(Congregation prays together)*

**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 the glory, forever. Amen.**

## BREAKING THE BREAD

## COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

## MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

### *All Who Hunger*

HOLY MANNA



1. All who hun-ger, gath-er glad-ly; ho-ly man-na  
2. All who hun-ger, nev-er strang-ers; seek-er, be a  
3. All who hun-ger, sing to- geth-er; Je-sus Christ is



is our bread. Come from wil-der-ness and wan-dering.  
wel-come guest. Come from rest-less-ness and roam-ing.  
liv-ing bread. Come from lone-li-ness and long-ing.



Here, in truth, we will be fed. You that yearn for  
Here, in joy, we keep the feast. We that once were  
Here, in peace, we have been led. Blest are those who



days of full-ness, all a-round us is our food.  
lost and scat-tered in com-mu-nion's love have stood.  
from this ta-ble live their lives in grat-i-tude.



Taste and see the grace e-ter-nal. Taste and see that God is good.

WORDS: Sylvia G. Dunstan (Exod. 16:13-15; Ps. 34:8; John 4:10; 1 Cor. 5:8)

MUSIC: William Moore

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**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

† **HYMN 494** (*People sing together*) ***Out of Deep, Unordered Water***

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**SENDING**

† **INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP**

† **CHARGE AND BLESSING**

**THE CHARGE**

*A charge to the people to go into the world in the name of Christ may be included. The charge renews God's call to us to engage in obedient and grateful ministry as God's agents to heal life's brokenness. By the power of the Spirit, we are to be in life and ministry what Christ has redeemed us to be. God calls the church to join the mission of Christ in service to the world. As the church engages in that mission, it bears witness to God's reign over all of life.*

**POSTLUDE**

***Praise Be to God***

Matt Powers



**WORSHIP LEADERS THIS MORNING:**

Rev. Tom Hagood, *Pastor*

Rev. Wendy Dewberry, *Associate Pastor*

Jeff Funderburk, *Interim Organist/Choirmaster*

Columbia Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir

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# This Week at Columbia Presbyterian Church

*Please recycle your bulletin as you leave worship today.*

## Sunday, March 27

9:30 am Nursery opens  
9:45 am Sunday School for all ages  
10:30 am Choir warm-up  
11:00 am **Worship service with the Lord's Supper**  
6:00 pm Youth Group

## Tuesday, March 29

9:00 am Staff meeting  
7:00 pm **Taize worship**

## Wednesday, March 30

6:45 pm Chancel Choir rehearsal

## Thursday, March 31

6:45 am, 12:00 pm, 6:30 pm Lenten study

## Friday, April 1

6:30 pm First Friday Fellowship  
8:00 pm AA meeting in Hazelwood Hall

## Saturday, April 2

8:00 pm AA meeting in Hazelwood Hall

## Sunday, April 3

9:30 am Nursery opens  
9:45 am Sunday School for all ages  
10:30 am Choir warm-up  
11:00 am **Worship service with the Lord's Supper**  
Noon Congregation Meeting  
6:00 pm Youth Group

## Volunteers for this Week

*Visitation Coordinator:* Kate Schulz

*Ushers:* Charlie Cromwell, *captain*, Wendy Cromwell, Richard Schulz

## Welcome! We are glad that you are here!

*Columbia Presbyterian Church is a place where members and guests gather to worship and serve God in a caring, inspiring, mission-directed environment. We hope you feel a fresh expression of God's love for you here today.*

- If you would like a large-print hymnal, please see an usher.
- Childcare is available in the nursery downstairs during worship and Sunday School.
- Children five and under may leave worship after Time with the Younger Church and go to the nursery. Children six and older are asked to stay for worship. Worship activity bags are available.

• **Giving to Japan Disaster:** Checks can be made out to “Columbia Presbyterian Church” and marked “Japan PDA” or you can give directly online at:

<http://gamc.pcusa.org/give/DR000117/>.

• **Congregational Meeting:** There will be a Congregational Meeting on **Sunday, April 3**, immediately after worship, to elect a new Nominating Committee for this year.

• **The youth will meet tonight at 6:00** for dinner, games, and to plan the Easter Vigil.

• **God's Abundant Table, a fresh look at the Lord's Supper** by Cynthia M. Campbell, will be our guide for a Lenten study offered each Thursday through Lent. Three times are offered: **6:45 -7:30 a.m.** with a light breakfast, **noon - 12:45 p.m.** with a light lunch, **6:30 - 7:15 p.m.** with a light supper. The classes meet in the parlor dining room (main floor of the education building) and are taught by Pastor Tom. **Please call the church office (404-284-2441) if you plan to attend.** Everyone is welcome!

• **First Friday Fellowship** meets this Friday, April 1, at 6:30 p.m. at **Burnt Fork Barbeque** (Church Street, just north of Commerce). Everyone is welcome!

• **Our Annual Bunny Brunch is scheduled for Saturday, April 16**, at 10:30 a.m. Save the date, and start inviting your friends and family to join us for this time of fellowship, a pancake breakfast, and egg hunt. Please let the evangelism team know if you are able to volunteer your time for the event. We also need donations of candy for the egg hunt, which can be delivered to the church office.

• **Help tidy up the sanctuary before you leave today.** Please put your hymnal back in the pew rack and recycle your bulletin at the door. Thanks!

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### Columbia Presbyterian Prayer List

Judy Barban (Calder)	Evelyn Boring	Leslie Cobb (Mary's niece)
Wendy C's mom & grandmother	Jan Coulon	Gene & Michael Doi
Seige Erickson	Vernon Flick (David's dad)	Amanda Fowler (Smythe)
Dorothy Gartrell	Ondina Gonzalez's mother	Novice Hale (Thornton)
Carole Herron & sister Judith	Diane (Russ Hiner)	Michael Lacey's father Elton
Pam Lane (Wachholz)	Delores Morrow (Freemans)	The Mulrine family
Jerry Patrick	Kay Potter	Ody Rogers (Devon)
Rani Singh & son Jairaj (Simpson)	Sarah Schulz	Pat Shoemaker's mother
Robin Upshur's father Earl	Beth Vann's father	Arch Woodruff
Nancy Woods	Church session and staff	Worldwide missionaries
The McGills (Malawi)	The Wellers (Ethiopia)	