



SOUTHMINSTER

Presbyterian Church

Sunday, March 17, 2024

AN INCLUSIVE, WELCOMING COMMUNITY OF CHRISTIAN FAITH.
OUR MISSION IS TO MANIFEST CHRIST'S LOVE IN THE WORLD.

TODAY

7 Stops on the Road To Resurrection

Week Five: Revolution



DATES TO REMEMBER

- Adult Ed Sundays at 7 pm
TODAY and Sunday, March 24
- Saturday, March 23 Ramadan Potluck at the Cedar Mill Christ United Methodist Church from 6:45-8:30 pm
- Sweetie Pie Pie Auction Sunday, March 24
- Maundy Thursday Service on Thursday, March 28 at 7 pm
- Easter Egg hunt Sunday, March 31 during Sunday School
- All Church Spring Potluck Sunday, April 14 after Service from 11:15 am to 2:00 pm
- Sunday, April 14 WIN Potluck at the Cedar Hills United Church of Christ from 5:00-6:30 pm
 - Adult Ed 'Bright Spark' movie night and discussion on Sunday, April 14 at 7 pm in Sanctuary



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God is to be found not by stepping aside from the flow of daily life into religious moments and environments, or by looking away from creation to a spiritual realm beyond, but rather by entering attentively the depths of the present moment. There we will find God

~ John Philip Newell

PRELUDE
Norwegian Tune,
Arr. by Marilynn Ham

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Please sign friendship pads
- One Great Hour of Sharing
- Adult Ed Series TODAY and next Sunday, March 24: "Getting to Know the Christian Mystics" with Pastor Scott on Zoom from 7-8 pm
- Saturday, March 23 Ramadan Potluck at the Cedar Mill Christ United Methodist Church from 6:45-8:30 pm
- Sweetie Pie Pie Auction Sunday, March 24
- Please join us for our Maundy Thursday Service on Thursday, March 28 at 7 pm
- Please bring flowers for Flowering of the Cross on Easter
- Easter Egg hunt Sunday, March 31 during Sunday School
- All Church Spring Potluck Sunday, April 14 after Service
- Sunday, April 14 WIN Potluck at the Cedar Hills United Church of Christ from 5:00-6:30 pm
- Adult Ed 'Bright Spark' movie night and discussion on Sunday, April 14 at 7 pm in Sanctuary
- Silent Auction/Special Raffle fundraiser Sunday, April 28
- Women's Retreat - May 3-5, 2024
- Rummage Sale June 27-29
- Lay Reader: Vicki March

PAUSE FOR REFLECTION

"You cannot swim for new horizons until you have courage to lose sight of the shore."
~ William Faulkner

CALL TO WORSHIP

The prophet Ezekiel asks: Can our soul-weary bones live again?

O God, you know!

We ask: Can we dance again after mourning, loss and grief?

O God, you know!

The gift is sure and unmistakable:

**God's breath poured out
as new life for weary souls!**

Let us celebrate the gift of God's new life,

**And come to worship God
in laughter and living!**

PASSING THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us offer signs of Christ's peace to one another.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Into Jerusalem by Valerie Stephenson
Southminster Handbell Choir

CHILDREN'S TIME

Children and youth are dismissed.

OPENING HYMN

#366 Love Divine All Loves Excelling
(vs 1,2,4 only)

GREEK TESTAMENT READING

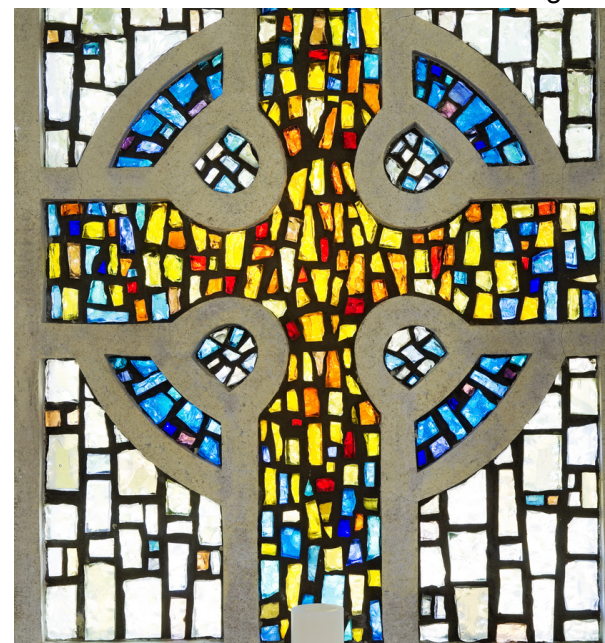
John 11:1-6, 17-22, 32-44

Now a man named Lazarus was sick. He was from Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. (This Mary, whose brother Lazarus now lay sick, was the same one who poured perfume on the Lord and wiped his feet with her hair.) So the sisters sent word to Jesus, "Lord, the one you love is sick." When he heard this, Jesus said, "This sickness will not end in death. No, it is for God's glory so that God's Son may be glorified through it." Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. So when he heard that Lazarus was sick, he stayed where he was two more days. On his arrival, Jesus found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. Now Bethany was less than two miles from Jerusalem, and many Jews had come to Martha and Mary to comfort them in the loss of their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went out to meet him, but Mary stayed at home. "Lord," Martha said to Jesus, "if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But I know that even now God will give you whatever you ask." When Mary reached the place where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet and said, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come along with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in spirit and troubled. "Where have you laid him?" he asked. "Come and see, Lord," they replied. Jesus wept.

Then the Jews said, "See how he loved him! But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" Jesus, once more deeply moved, came to the tomb. It was a cave with a stone laid across the entrance. "Take away the stone," he said. "But, Lord," said Martha, the sister of the dead man, "by this time there is a bad odor, for he has been there four days." Then Jesus said, "Did I not tell you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. Then Jesus looked up and said, "God, I thank you that you have heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the people standing here, that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet wrapped with strips of linen, and a cloth around his face. Jesus said to them, "Take off the grave clothes and let him go.

THEME READING

"I believe that imagination is stronger than knowledge. That myth is more potent than history. That dreams are more powerful than facts. That hope always triumphs over experience. That laughter is the only cure for grief. And I believe that love is stronger than death."
~ Robert Fulghum



SPECIAL MUSIC

Fantasia on Forest Green
Arr. by Lloyd Larson
Southminster Handbell Choir

SERMON

*7 Stops on the Road To Resurrection
Week Five: Revolution*
Rev. Scott Dalgarno

RESPONSIVE HYMN

#247 Now the Green Blade Riseth
(vs 1,2,4 only)

CORPORATE PRAYER

by Fred F. Keip
Indwelling God,
infused throughout all existence,
we honor you with many names.
Your realm is within the human heart.
We accept life for all that it can be,
on earth as throughout all creation.
May we continue to draw sustenance
from this earth,
and may we receive forgiveness equal
to our own.
May we ever move from separation
toward union,
to live in grace, with love in our
hearts,
forever and ever.
Amen.

OFFERTORY

TUNE: Madrid, arr. by Mark Hayes

DOXOLOGY

Through all our living, we our fruits
must give.
Good works of service are for offering.
When we are giving, or when
receiving,
We belong to God.
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CLOSING HYMN

#157 Lord of the Dance (vs 1-4 only)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

How Majestic is Your Name
Arr. by Lloyd Larson

FELLOWSHIP