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good enough

embracing the imperfections
of life and faith.

Worship Series
Lent 2022



5th Sunday of Lent
April 3, 2022
8:30 AM

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WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD’S NAME

WELCOME

BELLS

The three tolls call us to worship and symbolize our belief in the Triune God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. In quiet reverence, we prepare for worship.

PRELUDE

Lead Me, Lord

Samuel S. Wesley, Arr. Robert W. Thygerson
Justin Streletz, Pianist

+ CALL TO WORSHIP

When all we have hoped for and trusted in has let us down;

There is Christ who reaches out to us.

When the world seems dark and despair threatens to close in upon us;

There is Christ, reaching out for us.

Come and let us worship the Lord who is always ready to reach out to us.

We humbly come before the Lord in hope and faith.

Let us Worship God!

+ OPENING HYMN

We Come to You for Healing, Lord

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PRAYER OF THE DAY *(based on Psalm 126)*

Holy One, Lover of Souls, we call out to you. You know our tears and sorrows, and you bear the seeds of grief with us. Open us this day to your comfort that nurtures these seeds into sheaves of joy—the simple and good enough moments that fill our days.

Amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION

The act of confessing our sin is not simply a recitation of our faults and wrongs, but also an opportunity to receive God’s mercy and share in that abundant grace. Confident of God’s love for us, let us confess our sins, as we pray together saying. . .

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Patient Lord, we find it easy to blame others and other circumstances for the things which happen in our lives. We hear the words “if only” and wonder why things didn’t happen differently for us. Too often we want you to be a “magic” presence which will, with the wave of a wand, cure our ills, give us success and happiness; but we don’t necessarily want to take responsibility for our attitudes and actions. Life is. Things happen which we didn’t plan for and events swirl around us over which we have no control. But to place blame and not to find ways in which we can work through the situations is detrimental to everyone, especially ourselves. Forgive us when we are so busy placing blame that we don’t recognize your presence and love for us. Hear us now, as we continue to confess in the silence of our hearts. . .

(A Time of Silent Confession)

KYRIE

Lord, Have Mercy	551
Lord, have mercy;	
Christ, have mercy;	
Lord, have mercy upon us.	
Lord, have mercy;	
Christ, have mercy;	
Lord, have mercy upon us.	

ASSURANCE OF PARDON *(Psalm 103:11-12)*

For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;
as far as the east is from the west,
so far does he remove our transgressions from us.
Hearing this good news, know that we are forgiven, and be at peace.
Thanks be to God!

+ **RESPONSE**

<i>Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me (verse 1)</i>	582
<i>Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.</i>	

+ **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Please share a sign of Christ's peace with those around you.

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

TIME FOR CHILDREN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION *(John 12:3)*

Break open the Scripture through the power of your Spirit, O God. Let your word, read and proclaimed, pour out until its fragrance fills this house and our lives. Then, anointed with your word, send us out to share the good news we have received. We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ, who is with us always.

Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Job 2:11-13a; 16:1-5 NRSV

Now when Job's three friends heard of all these troubles that had come upon him, each of them set out from his home—Eliphaz the Temanite, Bildad the Shuhite, and Zophar the Naamathite. They met together to go and console and comfort him. ¹² When they saw him from a distance, they did not recognize him, and they raised their voices and wept aloud; they tore their robes and threw dust in the air upon their heads. ¹³ They sat with him on the ground seven days and seven nights. . .

Then Job answered:

² "I have heard many such things;

miserable comforters are you all.

³ Have windy words no limit?

Or what provokes you that you keep on talking?

⁴ I also could talk as you do,

if you were in my place;

I could join words together against you,

and shake my head at you.

⁵ I could encourage you with my mouth,

and the solace of my lips would assuage your pain.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

It is Enough
FUPCDC Chancel Choir

Tom Fettke

GOSPEL LESSON

John 12:1-8 NRSV

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. ² There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. ³ Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. ⁴ But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, ⁵ "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" ⁶ (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) ⁷ Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. ⁸ You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

We are Fragile

Rev. Adam C. Bowling

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

If you would like to speak with someone about becoming a Christian, about church membership, or about a special prayer need, please speak with Pastor Adam or someone at the Welcome Table in the back of the sanctuary. For those worshipping online, please email Pastor Adam at adam.bowling@fupcdc.org. Know that ALL are welcome in this place!

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

+ **HYMN OF RESPONSE** *When Peace Like a River (It Is Well with My Soul)* 840

Note: This text is a remarkable expression of faith born of grief. The author, an active Presbyterian layman who had just lost four daughters in a tragic shipwreck, wrote it while sailing to Paris to meet his wife, who had survived. The tune was named for the ship that sank.

SERVICE OF GIVING

Music at the Offering

Fairest Lord Jesus

CRUSADER'S HYMN, Arr. Janet Vogt

+ **DOXOLOGY** 606

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

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Generous God, in light of your extravagant blessings-no matter what the state of the world or our imperfect lives-we offer our gifts and ourselves, and know that you transform what we plant into the produce of love.

Amen.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Instructions: *If you haven't already picked up an individual prefilled communion cup as you entered the sanctuary, you are invited to come forward, by way of the center aisle, to receive the elements when an usher indicates. Gluten-free prefilled communion cups are located in the center of the tray. Please take the elements back to your seat by way of the outside aisles.*

Please hold the elements until all are served. *When directed by the Pastor, open the bread portion of the cup and partake. Then, when directed, carefully open the juice portion of the cup and partake. Please assist children and other members of your family who may have trouble opening the prefilled communion cups. Please hold onto your trash until you exit the sanctuary and dispose of your used cups in the provided waste receptacles.*

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(Sung)*

Albert Hay Malotte

. . . 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

Music during Communion

Bread of Life from Heaven

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord God, in deep gratitude for this moment, this meal, these people, we give ourselves to you. Take us out to live as changed people because we have shared the living bread and cannot remain the same. Ask much of us, expect much from us, enable much by us, encourage many through us. So, Lord, may we live to your glory, both as inhabitants of earth and citizens of the commonwealth of heaven. Amen.

WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

- + **HYMN** *Jesus, Savior, Lord, Now to You I Come* 789
- Notes: Claimed by both Pakistanis and Indians, this is one of the most popular South Asian hymns. The text represents a Christian adaptation of Psalm 61, and the psalm's theme is reinforced by the mantra-like repetition of the word "saranam," meaning "I take refuge" or "surrender."*
- + **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**
- + **BENEDICTION RESPONSE** *Jesus, Savior, Lord, Now to You I Come (Refrain Only)* 789
- Jesus, Savior, Lord, now to you I come.
Saranam, saranam, saranam.
You're my rock, my refuge, my heavenly home.
Saranam, saranam, saranam.
- + **POSTLUDE** *Blessed Assurance* Phoebe P. Knapp, Arr. Mary McDonald
Justin Streletz, Pianist
- + *Please stand, in body or in spirit.*

Worship Notes

- * **WELCOME!** Whether you are new in the area, a resident of the community, or visiting, we are delighted you joined us in worship. Please come to the Welcome Table at the rear of the sanctuary after the service to fill out an info card and to receive a special gift. To find out more about this church, please call the Church Office at 703-670-7834 or speak with Pastor Adam, adam.bowling@fupcdc.org.
- * **BELL RINGER:** Ike Evans (8:30)
- * **WORSHIP ASSISTANTS:** Becca Anderson (8:30)
Erin Bowling (11:00)

Connect with Us

- * **WE ARE ON FACEBOOK:** If you use Facebook, become a Facebook friend, and become a fan of First United Presbyterian. Make friends with others from the church.
- * **WE ARE ON INSTAGRAM:** Find us on Instagram @fupcdc.
- * **FUPCDC WEBSITE:** For detailed news and information, visit the church website at <https://fupcdc.org>.
- * **FUPCDC YOUTUBE CHANNEL:** To view worship services and videos, visit the FUPCDC Youtube channel, <https://www.youtube.com/c/FUPCDC>. You can also find our channel by searching for "FUPCDC Video".
- * **TEXT ALERTS:** Remind is a free text messaging service that will help our church communicate quickly and efficiently. On your cell phone, start a new message to **81010**. In the message, type @fupcdc and send. You can unsubscribe at any time.

Ministry in Action

- ✝ **ATTENDANCE:** We are resuming the passing of the Friendship Registers during the worship services TODAY. Prayer/ Connect Cards are located in the Friendship Registers and at the Prayer Request Box in the Welcome Center.
- ✝ **FLOWERING OF THE CROSS FOR EASTER:** This year, we will once again be flowering the cross and we need lots of flowers! This is how you can help. On your way into church on Easter Sunday, please bring some home-grown or store-bought flowers and arrive five minutes earlier than you normally would to allow time to place them on the cross. After the second service, the cross will be moved to the lawn in the front of the church so that we can bring some joy to our neighbors. The worship team thanks you! Please note that we will be doing this instead of live flowers inside the church. In lieu of purchasing Easter flowers for the sanctuary, please consider contributing to the One Great Hour of Sharing. If you have any questions, please ask any member of the Worship Ministry Team.
- ✝ **ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING:** The season of Lent reminds us who we are, who we serve, and how we are called to live lives of faith. One Great Hour of Sharing presents us a wonderful opportunity to answer the call to Christian discipleship. When you and your family participate in One Great Hour of Sharing, you are changing lives in Christ's name through the ministries of Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People. One Great Hour of Sharing lets us come together as a Matthew 25 Church to open our door as well as our hearts to share the love of Christ through our ministries of justice, compassion, and joy. It is the church saying, "We'll be there when you need us."

If you would like to join other Presbyterians in sharing God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the world, you can give to the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering by mailing your check to the church. Please indicate "One Great Hour of Sharing" in the memo line. If you would like to give online, please go to <https://fupcdc.org/give-online> and click on Give Now, then Designated Giving (in the note field please indicate "One Great Hour of Sharing"). Thank you! "You shall be called repairers of the breach." - Isaiah 58:12

✝ **EASTER CANDIES:** We are collecting small individually wrapped, nut free candies for our EGGstravaganza on Saturday, April 16th. Thank you for your help!

✝ **LENTEN SERVICES:** Please join us at 7:00 PM on Wednesday evening, April 6th for Lenten Worship with Communion.

✝ **MAUNDY THURSDAY:** On Maundy Thursday, April 14, 2022, 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM come to a Christian Seder Meal Worship with Communion. Please RSVP on the church website, www.fupcdc.org by Monday, April 4th. If you would like to volunteer to help or have questions, please contact Cathy Smith at cathy.l.smith@comcast.net or 571-330-7065.

✝ **GOOD FRIDAY:** On Good Friday, April 15, 2022, the church will be open for prayer, 8:30 - 2:30 PM.

✝ **WEDNESDAY NIGHT ALIVE MEAL:** Please join us for the Wednesday Night Meal at 6 PM. On April 6th the meal is Potluck: Heritage Night (Bring a dish from your ethnic background.) Please contact Gaylene Guest at 703-398-7449 with any questions.

✝ **CHILDREN'S MINISTRY:** Sunday School classes meet at 9:30 AM on Sundays. In April, our preschool classes will enjoy a picnic-themed "We Go Together" unit, where they will learn that Jesus is the one friend that not only wants to be our friend forever, but He can actually keep up His end of the promise. And, He went through a lot to make it possible. That's why, this month, we are sharing the Good News with preschoolers that Jesus wants to be their friend - and everyone's friend - forever! The best things that go together are my friend, Jesus, and me. And nothing, not even death, can come between us and His promise, because we go together forever and ever.

Our kindergarten through 6th graders will learn about hope with our "Puzzled" unit, where we will acknowledge that life can sometimes feel like a giant puzzle. All we can see is the piece we're experiencing right now, and we're not sure where it fits into the greater picture that is forming. We can't always understand why some things happen to us or those we love. Yet, despite our confusion, we can have hope. God has kept promises throughout history. We can believe that God will continue to be with us through what we face now. Even in the toughest times, we can have hope because we know God is always working and can make something good out of something bad.

✝ **EMERGENCY RESPONSE TO UKRAINE WAR:** As the violence in Ukraine continues, the number of people being displaced internally and fleeing to neighboring countries increases by the day. And in the midst of the chaos, there are sibling churches and ecumenical partners who are already providing assistance with basic items for survival. The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) first priority is to provide funding to these partners on the ground. While the scale of this crisis is new, receiving refugees from Ukraine and other countries in Central and Eastern Europe is not, which means we have trusted, established partners with the knowledge and

expertise to carry out this important work. Our response will include both financial and technical assistance as the network of faith communities providing humanitarian assistance grows in the months ahead.

You can give to the Emergency Response to the Ukraine War by mailing your check to the church. Please indicate "Ukraine War" in the memo line. If you would like to give online, please go to <https://fupcdc.org/give-now> and click on Give Now, then Designated Giving (in the note field please indicate "Ukraine War").

- * **FUPCDC'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY: 2022.** . .marks 50 years for FUPCDC! We will celebrate throughout the year with various activities. Please send a picture of yourself and/or your family from the year you joined. This picture will be featured on a timeline in the hallway. Please send it via email or place in Cathy's mailbox. If you have questions call Cathy Albrecht or email, albrennan3@aol.com.

Save the Dates

Scan to RSVP for April 16th

- **April 16th, 11 AM - 1 PM**
50th Anniversary Celebration and EGGstravaganza
 This FREE event will include Easter Egg hunts for children and youth - lunch (beef hotdogs, grilled cheese, chips, and drinks) - games - arts and crafts - a photo booth - prizes - and MORE!
- **April 17th - Easter Sunday!**
- **September 17th - Festival, 9 AM - 12 PM**
- **September 18th (Rev. Bob Edmunds will be preaching!)**



Student Ministry News

- * **YOUTH ADVISORS (ADULT VOLUNTEERS):** We are looking for Youth Advisors (Adult Volunteers). Please contact Pastor Adam if you are interested in helping with Student Ministry
- * **TEXT MESSAGES:** Sign up for Text Messages: Text @youthfupc to 81010.

DEACONS

Class of 2022
Debbie Cornelius
Liz Goolgasian
Anne Green
Charlotte Stultz

Class of 2023
Bob Albrecht
Sandy Chamberlin
Claudia Cunningham
Pam Emert
Ellen Nuernberger
Tracy Stevens

Class of 2024
Agnes Fokwa
Deborah Folly
Helen Franchois
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Ellen Nuernberger, Ministry Team Leader..... 703-878-0009
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Joys and Concerns

All those who are ill or facing difficulties, including:

- ✝ Evelyn Crawford * Bill and Laura Parris * Amy Smith * Jeannine Menzie
- * Cherie Sankey * David and Melissa Behrens * Ann Randles * Leigh Anderson
- * Sandra D’Imperio * Jason, Adriana, Mikhail Corbin * Tanya * Linda Ford
- * Debbie Niederriter * Gary and Keith Albrecht * Amanda * Norman Cox
- * Majorie Lawrence * Lee and Giselle Watenpaugh * Susan Bennett * Nate Johnson
- * Kay Hinegardner * Baby Louisa Wolstenholme * Thomas Prinz * Grace Ofosu-Addo
- * Baby Raphael * Jeanette Barbee * Shirley Westveer
- * Nancy McDermott

* Please continue to pray for the people of Ukraine and all those affected by this tragedy.

✝ My family and I would like to thank my church family for your kind thoughts, prayers, and cards as I grieve the loss of my daughter, Cathy. - Sofie Garrett

All those serving abroad in our military, including from our church:

- ✝ Kelsey Gibson (Affiliate Member of FUPCDC)
- ✝ Elizabeth Batista, Lackland Air Force in Tech School (Ana Batista Caporaletti’s daughter)

The churches of National Capital Presbytery, especially:

- ✝ Saint Mark Presbyterian Church - North Bethesda, MD
- ✝ Sargent Memorial Presbyterian Church - Washington, DC

SESSION

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Calendar

April 3 -10, 2022

SUNDAY, April 3

- 8:30 AM Worship - Traditional - Communion
- 9:30 AM Children’s Education
- 9:45 AM Ephesians Bible Study (Adult)
- 9:45 AM Confirmation Class (Youth)
- 11:00 AM Worship - Contemporary - Communion
- 1:00 PM Peace Church

MONDAY, April 4

- 10:30 AM Holy Fitness via Zoom
- 7:00 PM Bible Buddies
- 8:30 PM Production Meeting via Google Meet

TUESDAY, April 5

- 8:30 AM TOPS
- 1:00 PM Al-Anon
- 6:30 PM Task Force Glue Stick
- 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 964
- 7:00 PM Growing in Faith Ministry Team
- 7:00 PM Troop 964 G
- 7:30 PM AA 101
- 7:30 PM Bull Run Troubadours

WEDNESDAY, April 6

- 10:30 AM Holy Fitness via Zoom
- 6:00 PM Wednesday Night Alive Meal
- 6:15 PM Girl Scout Troop 80115
- 6:25 PM Young People’s Choir
- 7:00 PM Lenten Worship Service
- 7:00 PM Peace Church Prayer Meeting
- 7:30 PM Chancel Choir
- 8:30 PM FUPCDC Praise Team

THURSDAY, April 7

- 3:00 PM Prayer and Praise Small Group
- 6:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 2279
- 7:00 PM Girl Scout Service Unit 80-5 Juliettes
- 7:00 PM Administration Ministry Team
- 7:00 PM LHP Advisory Board Meeting via Zoom
- 8:00 PM AA Support Group

FRIDAY, April 8

- 10:30 AM Holy Fitness via Zoom

SATURDAY, April 9

SUNDAY, April 10

Palm/Passion Sunday

- 8:30 AM Worship - Traditional
- 9:30 AM Children’s Education
- 9:45 AM Ephesians Bible Study (Adult)
- 9:45 AM Confirmation Class (Youth)
- 11:00 AM Worship - Contemporary
- 1:00 PM Peace Church
- 1:15 PM Property Ministry Team

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Ministers.....People of the Church
 Pastor.....Rev. Adam C. Bowling
 Chancel Choir Director..... Dana Van Slyke
 Pianist/Organist.....Justin Streletz
 Contemporary Worship Directors..... Becca and Chris Anderson
 Children’s/Youth Choir Directors..... Becca and Chris Anderson
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