

Charge and Benediction

Postlude "Crown Him With Many Crowns" Robert Crane



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SUNDAY WORSHIP AT 10 A.M.
CHURCH SCHOOL FOLLOWING CHILDREN'S MESSAGE
NURSERY CARE AVAILABLE

*Faithfully Friendly For All – Always
Welcome † Include † Involve*

Third Sunday in Lent

March 23, 2025

**Please stand as able*

Please silence all cell phones

PREPARATION

Silent Meditation Luke 13:6-9

Then Jesus told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, 'See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?' He replied, 'Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good, but if not you can cut it down.'"

Prelude "When Peace Like a River" arr. D. Wagner

Greetings and Announcements

Ringling of the Bell

Introit "Wondrous Love" arr. Thiman

*Call to Worship

O God, you are our God;

our souls thirst for you,

as in a dry and weary land

where there is no water.

We have looked upon you in the sanctuary;

we have seen your power and glory.

Our lips will praise you as long as we live;

we lift up our hearts and call on your name.

Let us worship God!

*Hymn 393 "O Day of Rest and Gladness"

CONFESSION AND PARDON

*Unison Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, though you lovingly tend us, we have not put forth the good fruits of your Spirit. Our consumption poisons the earth. Our violence threatens our neighbors. Our greed

exploits the poor. We must seem a waste of time, but don't give up on us yet, O God. In your power to abundantly pardon, forgive us for the sake of Christ, and imbue us with love, peace, goodness, and faithfulness.

*Assurance of Pardon

God makes with us an everlasting covenant, the sure, steadfast love known to Moses, David, and the ancestors and revealed in Jesus upon the cross. Trust in the good news.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*Response of Praise No. 581 "Gloria Patri"

Exchange of Christ's Peace

L: The peace of Christ be with you. **P: And also with you.**

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

Children's Sermon and the Lord's Prayer

(Children are excused for Sunday School)

Anthem "My Master From a Garden Rose" E. Daley

Scripture Reading Luke 13:31-35

L: This is the Word of the Lord. **P: Thanks be to God!**

Sermon Rev. Candace Whitman

Prayer of Examen

*Hymn 415 "Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy"

Pastoral Prayer

DEDICATION AND RESPONSE

Thanking God through the Offering

*Doxology 606 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

OLD HUNDREDTH

Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn 840 "When Peace Like a River"

TODAY

Third Sunday in Lent
Rev. Candace Whitman

9:15 AM Choir Rehearsal
 10:00 AM Worship followed by Coffee Hour

WEDNESDAY

6:30-7:45 PM Lenten Bible Study - Conference Room

SUNDAY

Fourth Sunday in Lent
Rev. Candace Whitman

9:15 AM Choir Rehearsal
 10:00 AM Worship followed by Coffee Hour
 2:00 PM Sunday Afternoon Concert #2

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Rev. Candace Whitman, Pastor

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-A.A. Meetings: Sat. 10am (parking area or choir room); Wed. & Sun. 6:30pm Parish Hall; Sun. 12pm classroom

-Bulletin announcements must be received to the office by Wednesday each week to be included in the Sunday bulletin.

-Tidings Articles are due by the 20th each month to be included in the monthly newsletter. All are welcome to participate!

*We welcome you as we would welcome
 Christ Himself!*

ANNOUNCEMENTS for March 23, 2025

***Please sign the guest book so that the church can stay connected with you.**

***LARGE PRINT bulletins and hymnals are available in the rear of the sanctuary for easy reading. Please ask an usher for assistance.**

***Prayer Concerns**

Recent: Family of Raymond Hann, on his passing; Mariko Pichardo, healing prayers; Lenny Rempe, (longtime member of WPC); Susan Sullivan, friend of John and Mary Hull; Ella Carolan, leukemia (family friend to the Steven's family); Pete Seidler; Leslie Johnson, cancer (Stephanie Miller's mother); Pat Bebon; Libby Hirsch, cancer (Tom Rogers' cousin); Ralph Neubauer; Helen Fitzsimons

Long Term: Chelsey Carter Collins, Hamptons Center for Rehab; Phyllis Styrzo, Hamptons Center for Rehab; Kimberly Rogers Murawski; Ralph Downs, Florida; Dana Barrett, friend of Nancy Miller

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Sound/Audio/Visual Operator

Richard Childs, Will McDaris, Bruce Qua, Leigh Wanamaker

Ushers

Kathy Dayton and Christine Haddad

Flowers

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of my parents, Charles V. & Elma Helms.

By Marjorie Beckwith

THE SEASON OF LENT

Each year the church marks the 40 days before Easter as the season of Lent, a time of penitence and reflection on the forgiveness we receive through the cross of Christ. Here are some ways to make this season meaningful:

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A LENTEN BIBLE STUDY - We will meet on the following Wednesday evenings: March 26, April 2 and April 9 at 6:30 pm for a close look at the theme of forgiveness in both the Old and New Testaments. All are welcome! See flier available during Coffee Hour for details.

Interment of Joyce Reaver after worship today

Today at 11:30am Rev. Candy will offer prayers in the Memorial Garden as we inter the ashes of former member Joyce Reaver. All who remember Joyce are welcome to join in this brief burial liturgy.

Thank you!

A BIG Thank You to all of our volunteers during Maureen's Haven. From setting up cots and bedding, overnight chaperones, dinner and breakfast prep to breakdown. Without you, we would not be able to support this mission our church has been able to host for all these years. As we look forward this year, consider volunteering during our next hosting season. Contact Nalda Rothe if you are interested.

One Great Hour of Sharing

Received during the season of Lent (March 5 - April 20), our church will be collecting this special offering at our March 9th service, but donations can be made throughout the year. Each gift to OGHS helps to improve the lives of people in these challenging situations. The Offering provides us a way to share God's love with our neighbors in need. In fact, OGHS is the single, largest way Presbyterians come together every year to work for a better world. Please join in making a difference in the world!

2025 Sunday Afternoon Concert Series

The fundraising committee is pleased to announce the line-up for the 2025 Sunday Afternoon Concert Series. Our first performance on **March 30th** will feature Mezzo-Soprano Francesca Lunghi and Pianist Daniel Ragone for an afternoon of opera, art songs, and Broadway favorites. Next up on **April 27th** will be Daniel Keene performing

period music on traditional medieval instruments such as the lute and vihuela. And our season ends on **May 18th** with the New York Cello Quartet. All of the performances begin at 2PM and will be approximately an hour in length. Tickets for the concerts are \$30 and they will be available during coffee hour, in the church office, and at Lynne's Cards and Gifts. You may also purchase tickets at the door. Please make checks payable to "Westhampton Presbyterian Church". We were so grateful for the generous sponsorships from members of the congregation for the 2024 series. If you are interested in sponsoring one or more of this year's performances, please speak to Betsy Doyle during coffee hour, or you can call her at 631-495-5179.

Sunday School: Easter Candy wanted!

The Christian Ed department is seeking Easter candy donations to fill the eggs for our Annual Easter Egg hunt. All contributions are appreciated and may be dropped off to the office by April 6th.

Children's Activity Bags available during worship!

Parents: please take a moment to grab an activity bag for your child. There are multi-colored tote bags in the rear of the sanctuary that your child can explore during worship, designed just for them by our wonderful librarian and Christian Ed department. Please return them to the same space. Thank you.

Presbyterian Walkers: March Adventures with Janet Hann

Today after coffee hour! Quogue Wildlife Refuge, 3 Old Country Road, Quogue, NY. This is a local easy walk for all ages and families. Meet at the refuge at 12:15 pm; dress according to the weather and wear comfortable walking shoes or sneakers.

Saturday March 29th at 9:00 am: Trout Pond Park Trail and Morton Wildlife Refuge, Noyack Road, Noyac-Southampton, NY. We will walk the mile-long Trout Pond trail first and then head to Morton Wildlife Refuge. *For details and questions contact Janet Hann 631-871-7240 or see me at coffee hour.*

Ham Dinner update!

Mark your calendar for the new date: Friday May 2nd at 5:30pm! As we get closer, a sign-up sheet will be posted on the Parish Hall bulletin board.