

*The Service for the Lord's Day
First Sunday in Lent
February 21, 2021*

GATHERING SONG

Build My Life Lord

Worthy of ev'ry song we could ever sing
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe.
We live for You.
We Live for You.

Jesus the name above ev'ry other name
Jesus the only one who could ever save
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe.
We live for You.
We live for You.

Holy there is no one like You
There is none beside You
Open up my eyes in wonder, show me who You are
And fill me with Your heart
And lead me in Your love to those around me.

I will build my life upon Your love, it is a firm foundation.
I will put my trust in You alone, and I will not be shaken

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist

Leader: We have entered the season of Lent,
a time to examine our hearts and our lives
**People: and journey with Christ through the suffering
of the world.**

Leader: Let us lift up our souls to our merciful God

People: and humble ourselves in God's service.

Leader: God has marked us as beloved dust

All: and called us together to worship.

CONGREGATIONAL OPENING SONG

Just A Closer Walk With Thee

Verse 1
I am weak but Thou art strong
Jesus keep me from all wrong
I'll be satisfied as long
As I walk let me walk close to Thee

Chorus

Just a closer walk with thee
Grant it Jesus is my plea
Daily walking close to Thee
Let it be dear Lord let it be

Verse 2

Through this world of toil and snares
If I falter Lord who cares
Who with me my burden shares
None but Thee dear Lord none but Thee

Verse 3

When my feeble life is o'er
Time for me will be no more
Guide me gently safely o'er
To Thy kingdom shore to Thy shore

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Pastor

**In the season of Lent, O God, we say lofty words about
renewing our spiritual disciplines, journeying with you to the
cross, or denying ourselves material wants for the good of the
soul. Forgive us, O God, if our actions are in vain: if we are
concerned with the good of the soul rather than the good of your
people; if we have twisted this season of penitence into a reason
for praise or judgment; if we are so preoccupied with the sins of
the world that we cannot recognize and confess the sins of our
own lives. Forgive us, O God, and wash us in your mercy.
Forgive us, O God, and free us to try again. -Amen-**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Pastor

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Liturgist

SCRIPTURE READINGS

New Testament Reading:

Liturgist

1 Peter 3:18-22

New Testament Reading:

Pastor

Genesis 9:8-17

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Rev. Mark Hinchcliff

An Array of Colors Blest As One

TIME WITH THE YOUNG DISCIPLES

Kym Tatum

CONGREGATIONAL SONG OF RESPONSE

Great Is The Lord

Verse

Great is the Lord
He is holy and just
By His power we trust in His love
Great is the Lord
He is faithful and true
By His mercy He proves He is love

Chorus 1

Great is the Lord
And worthy of glory
Great is the Lord
And worthy of praise
Great is the Lord
Now lift up your voice
Now lift up your voice
Great is the Lord
Great is the Lord

Chorus 2

Great are You Lord
And worthy of glory
Great are You Lord
And worthy of praise
Great are You Lord
I lift up my voice
I lift up my voice
Great are You Lord
Great are You Lord

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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-

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Pastor

POSTLUDE *Take the Name of Jesus with You* William H, Doane

+Organ, Cynthia Dobrinski
*Keyboard/Vocals, Deborah Burgess
Vocals, Briana Tatum

PRAYER CONCERNS

Family of Doc Altizer, Ken Beavers (Pastor Mark's nephew), Carl and Georgette Bishop, Ernest and Marilyn Bremner (S. Ford), Jim Brunt (N. Davis' brother), Laura Buffkin, Tommy Cobb (M. Dunn), Sandra and Mark Dobrinski (brother and sister in-law of Cynthia), Daniel Handy, Betty Carol Lamm, Eddie Levi, Mary Manning, Laura Stevens Milton, Jim Murray (Judy King), Regenia Noel (M. Stevens), Anne Peterson, Jim Rothrock, Gene and Betty Stanley, Tammy Tucker Wardinski (Susan Pilson), persecuted Christians and all troops in defense of freedom throughout the world.

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, February 21 First Sunday in Lent

9:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School on Zoom
10:00 a.m. Live Worship on Facebook
12:00 p.m. Youth Meeting on Zoom

Monday –Friday Weekday School

9:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m. School in Session
12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Lunch Buddies in FH

Monday, February 22

7:00 p.m. Session Meeting on Zoom

Wednesday, February 24

7:00 p.m. Lenten Bible Study on Zoom

Sunday, February 28 Second Sunday in Lent

9:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School on Zoom
10:00 a.m. Live Worship on Facebook
12:00 p.m. Youth Meeting on Zoom

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sympathy of the congregation is extended to the family of Walter "Doc" Altizer who passed away Tuesday, February 16, 2021 at King's Grant. Doc's earthly life was 78 years and he now begins life eternal with God. The white rose at the lectern is in loving memory of Doc.

The next Session meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 22 at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom.

Lenten Bible Study, Seven Marks for Church Vitality, which began Ash Wednesday, will continue every Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m. through March 31. Look for your Zoom invite in your email in the coming week. Contact Monica Stevens at mlkstev@hotmail.com if you have further questions.

The youth will be doing a Lenten study beginning Sunday, Feb. 21 that will mirror the Wednesday evening adult study on the *Seven Marks for Congregational Vitality*. We'll think about what it means to be a vital congregation and ways to increase our vitality by

exploring scripture and questions to reflect on what it means to be The Church. **We'll continue meeting Sunday afternoons at 12 pm, still on Zoom.** If your middle or high school child would like to join us, please contact Sam at sam@peaksprebytery.org for an invite link to the Zoom meeting.

Be sure to remember GRACE NETWORK when you do your grocery shopping (canned soups). Please consider donating extra when you are able to get out and about as your donations have become more important than ever. Other needs are toilet paper, deodorant, bath soap, toothpaste, feminine products, and dish and laundry detergent.

REMINDER

In-person worship is suspended until further notice. At this time we feel it is safer to return to virtual services on Facebook. Adult Sunday School has returned to 9:00 a.m. and will continue to take place on Zoom.

The church office and facility remain closed except for essential personnel. For the safety and health of our staff, please stay home. Even though we are in Phase 3, folks aren't supposed to be in the building until notified by the church of official unrestricted opening. Guidelines will still have to be followed. Thanks for your cooperation and understanding.

Anyone entering FPC must use the back door at the portico. All other doors are to remain closed with no entry. You are required to wear a mask to enter. Please help us to maintain a COVID-19 free facility by staying home if you are sick or have been in contact with the virus in the past 14 days.

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The Session

Moderator, Rev. Mark Hinchcliff Clerk, Nancy Baker
Administration, Billy Kirby (2023) Facilities, Rob King (2021)
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David Garland (2021), Ed Linker (2021), Joan Montgomery (2022),
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Other Committee Moderators

Trustees: David Garland Early Worship: TBD

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1901 Patrick Henry Avenue
Martinsville, Virginia

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Our Mission

"Share God's love, embrace our neighbors, nurture each other."