

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

IDLEWILD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 24, 2021 | 11:00 A.M.

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

HANDBELL PEAL

WELCOME

DAVID SCHNELL

ANNA KAY BELL

THE REVEREND ANNE H.K. APPLE

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

And always test the "seems" of things -Briars may lurk in dew-drenched grass And jagged glass in heaps of leaves. The toughest sole can't bear these Without a wound. Bare feet can't tease nature. So Choose your path with wary eyes And do likewise with humans too. Be wary, but run on ... Go barefoot and feel the joy And when pain comes, bind up your toe And go your way again.

PRELUDE

O Lamm Gottes, unschuldig "O Lamb of God, innocent"

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

Bruce Butler

Born in a manger, Jesus Christ comes into a world filled with uncertainties.

And God asks, "Where are you?"

Living in all time, Jesus Christ serves in God's good love. Jesus embraces the wounded and broken, the saints and the sinners.

And God summons, "Come and follow me."

Wherever we may be, the Holy Spirit leads us. God, in Christ Jesus, through the power of the Holy Spirit, is the one who makes all things new.

Praise be to God, now and forevermore! Let us worship God together.

As approved by the Session, with the Shelby County Health Directive #16, virtual worship will continue through the month of January. We especially pray you feel the welcome and embrace of Jesus Christ.

Bold text is read or sung by the congregation.

*Asterisk indicates when to stand, if able.

The Preparation for Worship words are a portion of the poem, Mother's Advice While Bandaging My Stubbed Toe, is drawn from local poet, Marilou Awiakta from her book, Abiding Appalachia. Hymn 157: This 20th-century ballad-like retelling of the life of Christ, though written for this Shaker tune, has many similarities with the pre-Reformation carol "Tomorrow shall be my dancing day." Such narrative carols were common both at Christmas and as part of medieval mystery plays.



In the presence of a holy God, we become aware of the ways we fall short of God's best hopes for us, and the ways we have hurt others. We turn to God in prayer, asking for forgiveness.

Please stand as the choir sings in thanksgiving for the gifts of forgiveness and new life.

Passing of the Peace is one of the most ancient responses in worship. Having received Christ's peace, we pass it on.

*CALL TO CONFESSION

The grace of God overflows for us through Jesus Christ who came into the world to save sinners. God sees the whole of our lives.

When we come to confess our sins, we pour out our hearts before God. We confess, this is how it is with our lives, this is how it is with my life.

In all times, we trust in God's amazing love. When we come to confess our sins, we repent and turn from our evil ways.

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But when we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Let us confess our sins together.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. The Kingdom of God has come near.

We repent and believe the Good News.

In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways. The Kingdom of God has come near.

We repent and believe the Good News.

Almighty Savior, you alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways and in wasting your gifts. The Kingdom of God has come near.

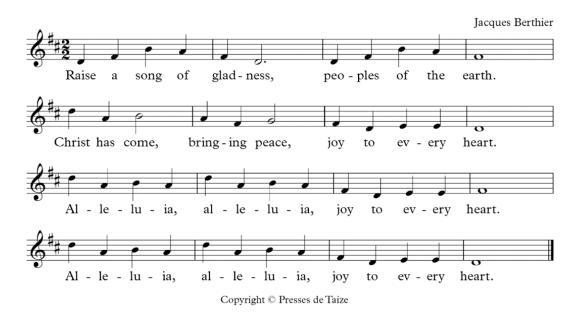
We repent and believe the Good News. By your mercy, help us to live in your light, abide in your ways and share your joy. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

For Christ's life is within us! Hear and speak the good news of the Gospel.

In Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Amen.

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE



*PASSING OF THE PEACE

EVAN GILLILAND

The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you!

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

TIME WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH JONAH 3: 1–5, 10

THE LORD'S PRAYER

MCCOVEY HENSON

MARJORIE REYNOLDS

Dylan Mulqueen

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.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON MARK 1: 14-20

THE REVEREND ASHLEY-ANNE MASTERS

ANTHEM

Do not be afraid, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by your name; you are mine.

When you walk through the waters, I'll be with you; you will never sink beneath the waves.

When the fire is buring all around you, you will never be consumed by the flames.

SERMON

"Do Not Be Afraid"

PHILIP STOPFORD (B. 1977)

When the fear of loneliness is looming, then remember I am at your side. When you dwell in the exile of a stranger, remember you are precious in my eyes.

You are mine, O my child, I am your Father, and I love you with a perfect love.

- Gerard Markland

REV. MASTERS

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

BAPTISM

CECILIA JANE NELSON

REV. APPLE

Gabby & Stephen Nelson, parents Lola McCrarey & Susan Taylor, baptism buddies

BAPTISM HYMN

"CHILD OF BLESSING, CHILD OF PROMISE"

Child of blessing, child of promise, Baptized with the Spirit's sign, With this water God has sealed you Unto love and grace divine.

Child of God, your loving Parent, Learn to listen for God's call. Grow to laugh and sing and worship; Trust and love God more than all.

BAPTISM PRAYER

CALL FOR GIFTS, TITHES, AND OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all creatures here below.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God whom we adore.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The sermon is a reflection on the day's scriptures, suggesting implications for our faith and life.

Before we can know God,

God knows us. Baptism is one of the two sacraments of the Presbyterian Church (USA) in response to the grace of God, who calls us to be the people of God. We welcome children and adults into the fellowship of faith. The congregation promises to guide, nurture, and love the baptized person.

During this time of virtual worship, we invite you to continue your support of the

church and her mission. Online giving is available through Realm and mailing a payment is also an option.

Doxology literally means

"words of glory." Doxologies have long been used by Jews and Christians to praise God. We honor and thank God "from whom all blessings flow." *SENDING HYMN NO. 306 (verses 1, 3, 5) "BLEST BE THE TIE THAT BINDS"

Dennis



Hymn 306: Written to express a pastor's unwillingness to leave a beloved congregation, this hymn is frequently used as an expression of Christian fellowship, especially at the conclusion of the Lord's Supper. The tune is attributed to an influential Swiss musician and publisher.

WORSHIP NOTICES

The 11:00 service is live at livestream.com/idlewild and broadcast on 96.1 FM. (Livestream apps are available for Roku and mobile devices.)

Music is printed under Onelicense.net A-702280.

The Reverend Ashley-Anne Masters serves as the Director of Presbyterian Campus Ministry of Raleigh which serves college-aged students in the greater Raleigh area. As of April 2020, she also serves as Staff Chaplain for Wake Med North Hospital in response to patient and staff needs during COVID-19. She holds degrees from Columbia Theological Seminary and Presbyterian College.

VISITOR NOTICES

Welcome to our visitors! We are glad to have you join our Livestream worship.

New members are received by the Session. If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to join the Idlewild family. Please call 726-4681 during the week.

For confidential prayer requests, call the prayer chain, 487-6062.

If you have a personal emergency, hospitalization, or pastoral care need, please call the church office at 726-4681. If it is after office hours or on the weekend, you may leave a confidential message (please press one to reach the voicemail box). Messages are checked regularly so that pastoral needs can be directed to the clergy.

The Mission of Idlewild

The mission of Idlewild Presbyterian Church is to pursue, personify, and practice as Presbyterians the good news of reconciliation and salvation in Christ through worship, formation, nurture, and outreach.

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| the mighty voice of God inspires us to love; the Spirit joyfully sustains and nurtures seekers of every age, |
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| V V prayer binds our brokenness and connects us in Christ's love to God and to one another |
| music, poetry, and art flourish in gratitude to our Creatory |
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| he focus is scripture and its meaning for today; faith is formed and spirits nourished through reflection, |
| practice and shared learning |
| the wisdom of other faith traditions is respected; |
| and a diverse membership enriches and unites us. |
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| recreation and play are a wellspring for fellowship, |
| celebration, and growth; |
| the love of God guides our minds and spirits, |
| leading us to right action in our hearts, our homes, |
| our community, our nation, and our world, |
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MINISTERIAL AND PROGRAM STAFF

Ministers: All the members of Idlewild Presbyterian Church

For staff phone numbers and emails visit www.idlewildchurch.org or call the church.

Anne H.K. Apple

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