

Sunday, February 19, 2023

GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

*PRELUDE

HYMN #380 "O Christ, the Healer"

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

People: The Lord is right here with us as we gather to offer our praise and thanks in worship.

Leader: The Spirit of the Lord is in this place. God is truly with us.

People: We have come here together with faith through Jesus the Messiah to honor God.

Leader: Be honored in our worship, Gracious Lord as we focus on you in this hour.

People: Let us worship God.

*WORDS OF BLESSING FOR EACH OTHER

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Most holy and merciful God, we are so aware of the ways we fall short of all you ask of us. We tend to turn away from what you ask and what you want. We get lazy in doing good. We are often quick to do what is wrong. We also stray from your best in our attitudes, our thoughts, our feelings and our words. You know how we waste your good gifts in all forms. We even forget your love and neglect to live it out with others. We haven't pleased you as much as we should.

[. . . in silence, we confess our own individual failings to God . . .]

Forgive us in your love. Help us to live in your light and walk in your ways more and more, today and in all days to come.

Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

SONG "Come Christians Join to Sing"
ERPC Handbell Choir

LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

After this message, all K-5th Grade students may go downstairs to Sunday School.

SERMON "Jesus Changes Everything For the Resigned"
Scripture: John 5:1-18

RESPONDING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

To share a joy or concern: Click [HERE](#) or use the QR code

OFFERING

To give online: Click [HERE](#), or use the QR code.

SONG "Be Not Afraid"

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE "When the Saints Go Marching In" Praise Band

ERPC Annual Congregational Meeting Today—This will include information on our 2023 budget and other reports and updates of a timely nature. Please plan to attend in person if at all possible. Virtual attendance will also be offered. The meeting will begin at the end of worship today.

Earthquake in Turkey and Syria:

In light of the horrendous devastation to the countries of Turkey and Syria, our Missions Committee recommends two opportunities for our financial gifts which will show our love and care as followers of Jesus. We are encouraged to give directly to these two branches of our Presbyterian mission outreach:

1. For funding that goes to PCUSA partner agencies for widest use in the regions impacted go to pma.pcusa.org and give to fund #DR999999 (or call 800-872-3283).
2. For funding that goes to specific congregations in the regions impacted go to theoutreachfoundation.org and follow pull-downs to “emergency relief” and then “Middle East Earthquake Relief.”

Some of our worship elements come from the writings of Rev Abi, and posted on RevGalBlogPals blog. <http://revgalblogpals.blogspot.ca>

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