



Service for the Lord's Day

February 26, 2023

Pastor deNay Kirkpatrick

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GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

**Please stand, as you are able*

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome to Worship

Lynda McLean

Prelude

Holy God, We Praise Your Name
Based on HURSLEY, from the
Katholisches Gesangbuch, 1774

Garrett Parker

* Call to Worship

Lynda McLean

Leader: Listen!

Many: There is hope to be found here.

Leader: Listen!

Many: God calls you by name here.

Leader: Listen!

Many: There is love that abides here.

Leader: This world is full of chatter, so may we do our best to listen.

Many: God is speaking.

Leader: Let us worship.

All: Amen.

*Hymn 686

God of Our Life

SANDON

* Prayer of Invocation (Unison)

Holy God,

Listening is always easier said than done.

We shuffle into this space and try to quiet our minds, but the list of distractions is long.

We need your help to listen.

So today we ask that you would marinate us in your Word.

Dust the cobwebs from our ears.

Stir our souls awake.

Crack open our hearts to make room for you.

Scoop us up.

Put us in your pocket.

Carry us with you wherever you go.

We want to hear you, really hear you, so speak to us now.

With hope we pray, amen.

A Moment with the Children

Children may choose to go to Junior Church after Children's Sermon

CONFESSING TO GOD

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Holy God, too often we treat your Word like a radio station—something we can tune in and out of when it's convenient. Our minds are full of ads, emails, news updates, and notifications. In the midst of this clutter, we tend to gravitate toward the voices that think like us—easily ignoring the voices being silenced, easily ignoring your voice. Forgive us for failing to listen. Forgive us for getting caught in distractions. Forgive us for forgetting what your voice sounds like. Drain the distractions from our minds and help us turn once again toward you. With earnest hearts we pray, amen.

Assurance of Pardon

* Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Illumination

Lynda McLean

First Reading

Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7

2:15The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it.16And the LORD God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden;17but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

3:1Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden'?" 2The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; 3but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" 4But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; 5for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." 6So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. 7Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

This is the word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

O God, you are my God, and I will ever praise you,
I will seek you in the morning, and I will learn to walk in your ways,
and step by step you'll lead me, and I will follow you all of my days.

Lead me, Lord, lead me in your righteousness;
make your way plain before my face.

Lead me, Lord, lead me in your righteousness;
make your way plain and step by step you'll lead me
and I will follow you all of my days.

I will seek you in the morning, and I will learn to walk in your ways,
and step by step you'll lead me, and I will follow you all of my days.

Lead me, Lord, and step by step you'll lead me,
and I will follow you all of my days.

Gospel Reading**Matthew 4:1-11**

1Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil.2He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished.3The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread."4But he answered, "It is written,

'One does not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

5Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, 6saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

'He will command his angels concerning you,'
and 'On their hands they will bear you up,

so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'"

7Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

8Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; 9and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me."

10Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'" 11Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

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RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE

* Affirmation of Faith (Unison)

In a world full of noise, we believe that God is speaking.

In a world full of chaos, we believe that God is singing.

In a world full of temptation, we believe that God is healing.

Church, who will you listen to?

We will listen to God—our Creator, Friend, and Guide.

Church, what will you listen for?

We will listen for water in the desert, for the wind of the Spirit, for the laughter of children,
for the sound of open doors, and for God's voice, who calls us beloved.

Amen.

Worship of God with Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Psalm

Gordon Young

* The Doxology

* Prayer of Dedication

deNay Kirkpatrick

Prayers of the People and 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.

SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

* Hymn 652

A Grateful Heart

ROCKINGHAM

* Charge and Blessing

deNay Kirkpatrick

And all God's people say:

Alleluia! Amen!

* Choral Benediction

Go with Us, Lord

TALLIS' CANON

* Postlude

Tune for the Oboe

Gilbert Martin



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February/March Happenings at Cahaba Springs

TEAM Food Collection today. We will be collecting nonperishable food items for TEAM in Trussville. Please remember those in need.

CSPC Book Club – Tuesday, February 28th at 5:30 PM in the Conference Room. This month's discussion will be on *And Then There Were None* by Agatha Christie.

PHFC Workday – Friday, March 3rd. We will meet at CSPC parking lot, leave for the Home at 8:30 and plan to return by 3. Please confirm availability with Danny Foote or George Fritsma.

Fellowship Luncheon – Sunday, March 5th immediately following worship in *Harmony Hall*. Please bring a side, salad, or dessert; meat will be provided.

First Tuesday Dinner – Tuesday, March 7th at 6:00 PM at El Patron in Trussville.

Knit Wits – Saturday, March 11th from 10 AM-noon in the *Ladies' Room*.

PW Monthly Luncheon & Study—Sunday, March 19th immediately following worship. Please bring a salad or dessert. We will study Lesson 7 of *Celebrating Sabbath* by Carol M. Bechtel led by Karen Rainwater.

XYZ March Luncheon – Tuesday, March 21st at 11:30 AM in *Harmony Hall*. This month Ron Dauphinee will have his puppets come for a visit. Please bring a side, salad, or dessert; meat will be provided.

Stated Session Meeting – Tuesday, March 21st at 6:30 PM.

TEAM Food Collection – Sunday, March 26th. We will be collecting nonperishable food items for TEAM in Trussville. Please remember those in need.

CSPC Book Club – Tuesday, March 28th at 5:30 PM in the Conference Room. This month's discussion will be on *At the Quiet Edge* by Victoria Stone led by Karen O'Brien.

Coming Soon

Easter Egg Hunt – Saturday, April 8th. Details to follow.

CSPC Yard Sale – May 26-27. Details to follow.

Weekly Classes & Events:

Adult Sunday Morning Class --Sundays at 9:30 AM in *Harmony Hall*

Relationship Enrichment Class -- Sundays at 9:30 AM in Conference Room

Adult Discussion Class -- Sundays at 9:30 AM in Pastor's Conference Room

Birmingham Youth Group -- Sundays at 4:20-7:00 meet at CSPC & traveling to Southminster PC

Thursdays Together --Thursdays at 10:00 AM in Conference Room

Chancel Choir – Thursdays at 6:30 PM

Chordmakers -- Fridays at 5:30 PM in *Harmony Hall*

PRAYER CONCERNS

For our church family...

Agnes Dauphinee	Nellie Songer	Margaret Linville	Wayne Hughins
Melissa Scholl	Jim Gillespie	Joan Lowery	Al Greenburg
Edward Giddens	Laura Reichert	Jean Camp	Carol Brown
Ed Swartz, Jr.	Cecile Floyd	Chuck Smith	Haley Crew
Janet Prevatt	Joan Creighton		

For our extended family...

Lisa Kraye Smith	Jennifer Lee	Stephen Hogger	Sonia Burrage
Louis Scholl	Heather Hawkins	Bill Wester	Leslie Speakman
Debbie Collins	Clay Charlton	Eleanor Garner	Donna Ford
Mac & Matthias	Ophelia Nichols	Ronnie Eades	Bobby Hoglund
Allison Solomon	Barry Parvin	Aaron Dailey	Cindi Wesley
Mason Ford	Pat & Vicky McCann	Perry Johnson	Susie Abbott
Laura Rainey	Joy Martin & family	Debbie Lambert	Mary Hammett
Deborah Braswell	Dan Southern	Tommy Robbins	Carol Bos

grieving the loss of loved ones . . .

the family of Wayne Thomas
the family of Patsy Means

Thank You

Thank you all so very much for the support, prayers, food, and especially the love during this difficult time. We love you all very much.

The Thomas family

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