



The Celebration of Worship

Feb 21, 2021 First Sunday of Lent

Interim Pastor: Rev. Dr. Pamela Anderson
Pastoral Resident: Veronica Gould
Worship Leader: Megan Toyama
Pianist: Janet Hill
Japanese Reader: Miyo Uchida
Zoom Moderator: Lori Hart

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Dr. Pamela Anderson

Please join in lighting a candle at home.

Introit

All: Make us one, Lord, make us one. Holy Spirit make us one. Let Your love flow so the world will know, we are one in You.

Call to Worship

Megan Toyama

Leader: Welcome this day to the beginning of a journey.

People: Where will this journey take us?

Leader: It will take you to the Cross of Christ and beyond.

People: How much time do we have to get ready?

Leader: The time is now at hand for this journey.

People: Help us to be ready for this, O Lord. Amen.

Confession Prayer

Megan Toyama

Leader: Eternal God, we have lists of things to do, for all the areas of our lives. Our lives are so time bound and duty bound that we feel imprisoned in them. Now we are challenged by Christ to take a journey of discipleship. We don't feel ready for this journey. We need more time. And we complain and cry about how much we have to do.

All: Forgive us, Lord, when we place so many "duties" in the path to serving You. Reset our priorities so that we will be ready to commit our lives in Your service. Lord, help us to be ready when You call us. Help us to courageously answer the summons You bring. Let us place our trust in You in all things. Amen.

Assurance of God's Grace

Megan Toyama

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

All: Amen!

Response to God's Forgiveness (spoken)

Megan Toyama

All: Glory be to Creator, and to the Christ, and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end, Amen, Amen.

Passing of the Peace

Megan Toyama

Leader: The peace of Lord be with you always.

All: And also with you.

Children's Message

Veronica Gould

Hymn

"Take My Life and Let It Be"

Unison Prayer Of Guidance

Megan Toyama

All: Now may the words of our mouth, the meditation of our hearts, the interpretation of our minds, and the response of our hands be acceptable to You, our Lord and our Redeemer. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Japanese Psalm Reading: Psalm 42:7-8

Miyo Uchida

Deep calls to deep
in the roar of your waterfalls;
all your waves and breakers
have swept over me.
By day the Lord directs his love,
at night his song is with me—
a prayer to the God of my life.

1st Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Megan Toyama

I mean, brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

2nd Scripture Reading: Mark 1:14-20

Rev. Dr. Pamela Anderson

After John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, “Follow me and I will make you fish for people.” And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

Sermon Rev. Dr. Pamela Anderson
“Getting Ready for the Journey”

Musical Offering Janet Hill
Time for silent reflection.

Holy Communion Rev. Dr. Pamela Anderson

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: O Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.

People: Have mercy upon us.

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People: Have mercy upon us.

Leader: O Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.

People: Grant us Your peace.

Opportunity To Present Offerings Megan Toyama

Doxology (spoken) Megan Toyama

All: Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication Megan Toyama

Joys & Concerns/Pastoral Prayer Veronica Gould

The Lord’s Prayer

All: Our Parent Who art in heaven, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come, Your 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 Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Hymn
“Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah”

Benediction Rev. Dr. Pamela Anderson

Response: “Shalom”

Sha rom, sha rom, mata a u hi ma de. Sha rom, sha rom, Kami no mi megumi. (Peace, peace, until we meet again. Peace, peace, may we be blessed with grace from God.)

Sha rom, sha rom, mata a u hi ma de. Sha rom, sha rom, yuta kani, yuta kani, yuta kani. (Peace, peace, until we meet again. Peace, peace, abundantly, abundantly, abundantly.)

In Appreciation:

Coffee Time Hosts

Parkview Presbyterian Women