



The Presbyterian Church
in Morristown

March 26, 2017
The Fourth Sunday in Lent

Celebration of Worship

He answered...One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see. – John 9:25

Prelude

How Great Thou Art

arr. Dan Forrest (b. 1978)

Robert Radliff, violin

*** Call to Worship** (*responsively*)

The Rev. Dr. David Smazik

Leader: With the Good Shepherd as our guide, we shall want for nothing.

People: God leads us along peaceful paths, restoring our souls.

Leader: Even in the shadow of death, we fear no evil.

People: For the Good Shepherd walks with us day and night.

Leader: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow all the days of our lives.

People: We shall dwell in the house of the Holy God all our life long.

*** Hymn 12**

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

St. Denio

Confession and Pardon

The Rev. Sarah Green

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

God, our comforter and guide, we confess what comes between us and you. We have been blind to the faults in ourselves that we so readily detect in others: prizing appearance and credentials, and failing to see the heart; rushing headlong into temptation, without thought for what is right; keeping secret what would shame us, if it were known; denying truths voiced by people we disdain. God of

* If you are able, please stand.

light, expose to us or sin, that we may confess it and turn from it, and so live in the light of your forgiveness and love. Amen.

Kyrie: Hymn 183, v.4 Come to Me, O Weary Traveler

Austin

Silent Prayer

Assurance of Pardon (*responsively*)

Leader: For once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light.

People: **For the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true.**

All: **We celebrate the Good News of Jesus who brings the light of forgiveness into our lives.**

*** Response: Hymn 772, v.4** Live Into Hope

Truro

*** Passing of the Peace**

A Time for Young Christians

Alexandra Mead

Sacrament of Baptism

Elder Wayne Rush

Questions to the Family and the Congregation

Apostles' Creed (Hymnal, p. 35)

Thanksgiving Over the Water

The Baptism: Robert Lazar Shohen, Son of Andrew and Lauren Shohen

Welcome

Leader: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

People: **With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you into Christ's Church to share with us in his ministry for we are all one in Christ.**

Prayer for Illumination (*unison*)

Guide us, O God, by your Word and Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Scripture Reading: Psalm 95:1-7

(Old Testament, Page 520)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

Ubi caritas

Ola Gjeilo (b. 1978)

The Chancel Choir

*Where charity and love are, God is there. The love of Christ has gathered us together.
Let us rejoice and be glad in it. Let us revere and love the living God.
And from a sincere heart let us love one another. Amen.*

Second Scripture Reading:

John 9:1-41

(New Testament, page 96)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

“Finding Your Way”

Rev. Smazik

*** Hymn 817**

We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight

Dunlap's Creek

A Moment for Mission

One Great Hour of Sharing

Bev Tignor

Greeting/Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts to God

Lisa Gray

*(Please sign and pass the friendship pad, found in the pew, to the person next to you.
Offering envelopes and prayer request cards are located in the pew pockets for your convenience.
Donations may be made online through our website. Cards will be collected with the offering.)*

Offertory

My Jesus, I love thee

arr. Paul Sjolund (b. 1935)

The Chancel Choir

Robert Radliff, violin

*My Jesus, I love thee, I know thou art mine; for thee all the follies of sin I resign. My gracious Redeemer,
my Savior art thou: if ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now. I love thee because thou hast first loved me,
and purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree. I love thee for wearing the thorns on thy brow: if ever I loved
thee, my Jesus, 'tis now. In mansions of glory and endless delight I'll ever adore thee in heaven so bright;
I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow: if ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.*

*** Doxology (Hymn 608)**

Praise God (Hopson)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Christ, all people here below;
praise Holy Spirit evermore;
praise Triune God, whom we adore.**

*** Prayer of Dedication**

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (*unison*)

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.

*** Hymn 377**

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

Houston

*** Benediction**

Postlude

Aus der Tiefe rufe ich

C.P.E Bach (1714-1788)

Kevin Graf, organ

WORSHIP LEADERS

The Reverends Dr. David Smazik and Sarah Green
Alexandra Mead, Director of Christian Education
Dr. Matthew Webb, Director of Music
Kevin Graf, Organ Scholar
The Chancel Choir
Daniel Alessio and Danielle Redgate, Acolytes

GREETERS

Robin Ballard, Craig Dodd
Cathie and John Eyre

USHERS

Bob Davies, Head Usher; Barbara King; Shirley and Dave Mutchler;
Karen and Ethan May; Nancy Niemann

FLOWERS

Given in loving memory of Mr. & Mrs. Lewis Burroughs Thompson
by their family

FELLOWSHIP HOSTS

The Dinner Cabaret Cooking Committee

THANK YOU to our Sound Team that faithfully works every Sunday.

OPEN MEETINGS THIS WEEK

For a full schedule of meetings, please visit www.pcmorristown.org

Sunday, Mar 26

- 7:45 a.m. Worship with Communion (Chapel)
- 8:30 a.m. Sunday Morning Seminar (Parish House)
- 8:45 a.m. Men's Lenten Study (Parish House)
- 8:45 a.m. Sunday School (Parish House)
- 10:00 a.m. Worship and Baptism (Sanctuary)
- 11:15 a.m. Inquirers' Class (Howard House)
- 5:00 p.m. Jazz Vespers (Sanctuary)

Monday, Mar 27

- 4:00 p.m. Tax Prep Assistance (Church)

Tuesday, Mar 28

- 8:30 a.m. Tax Prep Assistance (Church)
- 10:00 a.m. Tai Chi (Parish House)
- 11:00 a.m. Lenten Study (Parish House)
- 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, Mar 29

- 10:30 a.m. Bible Study (Church)
- 12:00 p.m. Worship (Chapel)
- 4:15 p.m. Middle School Youth Group
- 4:15 p.m. Midweek (Parish House)
- 5:00 p.m. Lenten Study (Parish House)
- 6:00 p.m. Midweek Family Dinner (Parish House)
- 6:05 p.m. Tower (Parish House)
- 7:00 p.m. High School Youth Group
- 7:00 p.m. Lenten Study (Parish House)

Thursday, Mar 30

- 8:30 a.m. Tax Prep Assistance (Church)
- 9:15 a.m. Christian Yoga (Parish House)
- 1:00 p.m. JAM (Parish House)
- 7:00 p.m. Young Adult Lenten Study (Parish House)

Friday, Mar 31 – *Office closes at noon*

- 9:00 a.m. AAA (Parish House)
- 9:30 a.m. Bulletin/Tower Tidings Volunteers (Parish House)

Saturday, Apr 1

- 8:30 a.m. Whippany River Clean-Up (59 Spring Street behind Bethel AME Church)

Sunday, Apr 2

- 7:45 a.m. Worship with Communion (Chapel)
- 8:30 a.m. Sunday Morning Seminar (Parish House)
- 8:45 a.m. Men's Lenten Study (Parish House)
- 8:45 a.m. Sunday School (Parish House)
- 10:00 a.m. Worship with Communion (Sanctuary)
- 5:00 p.m. Jazz Vespers (Sanctuary)

Wel come

We are a historic church, part of a historic denomination, and we celebrate this history while exploring ways to bring passion and freshness to our worship and congregational life. Join us as we seek to discover Fresh Traditional ways to **proclaim, gather, and nurture**, all toward continuing Jesus Christ's earthly ministry of building God's Kingdom.

Visitor's Information brochures are in the stands at the entrances to assist you in finding your way around our campus.

VISITING WITH CHILDREN?

- **Activity materials** for young worshippers are in the drawers of the literature chests in both vestibules.
- **Infant and child care** is provided during the service in Howard House, the building to the right of the sanctuary.
- **Restrooms:** Please accompany children (under age 10) to the restrooms. (Located through the left door by the bell tables.)

SPECIAL NEEDS?

- **Feel free to ask** ushers and greeters for assistance if you have any questions or special needs. **Large print bulletins and hearing assistance devices** are available from the ushers in the narthex at the back of the church.

PLEASE COME AGAIN

- **Sunday Worship Schedule:**
7:45 a.m. Worship with Communion
10:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary
- **Wednesday Bible Study & Worship Schedule:**
10:30 a.m. Bible Study in the Choir Room
Noon Worship Service in the Chapel (followed by a light lunch)

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