



## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of everlasting mercy, we confess that we have fallen away from being the people you created us to be. Our paths become comfortable and well worn. We become addicted to habits that blind us to who and what need attention. We tolerate interruption only when it's convenient for us. We panic when we lose control, we fear the challenge of change and we fail to look ahead at consequences for future generations. Forgive us Lord for not trusting you, for thinking that our way is the only way. Teach us what it means to observe a holy Lent in faith and penitence, with prayer and fasting, with reading and meditating on your Word. Heal us and restore us, O God.  
(Silence.)

## ASSURANCE OF GRACE

Jesus Christ calls us to new life and strengthens us to begin again and again and again. We are given the grace to grow and the courage to continue the journey. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, and that frees us to forgive one another. This is good news. Thanks be to God.

## RESPONSE OF PRAISE - *Behold I Make All Things New*

***Behold, behold, I make all things new, beginning with you and starting from today.  
Behold, behold, I make all things new, my promise is true, for I am Christ the way.***

## PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

## TIME WITH CHILDREN (11:00)

(Pre-k to 1<sup>st</sup> grade children may attend Children's Discovery after the message. Older children remain in worship; activity bags available from ushers.)

## CHORAL CALL TO PRAYER (11:00)

IN THE LORD I'LL BE EVER THANKFUL

*In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful*

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Prepare our hearts, O God. Pour out your Spirit and open our ears and our minds to what you would have us hear this day. Light our paths with your Word that we may receive your truth in faith and love. Amen.

## FIRST SCRIPTURE - Psalm 27

## ANTHEM (11:00)

Craig Courtney

*Be Filled With the Spirit*, Phyllis Crossen-Richardson, soloist  
Be filled with the Spirit. Speak to one another with psalms. Sing, make melody in your heart to the Lord giving thanks to God. Giving thanks in all things, in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

## SECOND SCRIPTURE - Luke 13:31-35

## SERMON - "The Journey of Lament"

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD

✠HYMN 470 - *There Is a Longing in Our Hearts*, David Hancock, leader

LONGING

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

(Concluding with the Lord's Prayer using "debts" and "debtors," *Hymnal*, page 35.)

## OFFERINGS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY - *Aria in F*

G. F. Handel

## ✠DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ all creatures here below;  
praise Holy Spirit ever more; praise Triune God whom we adore. Amen.***

✠HYMN 738 - *O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee*

MARYTON

## ✠CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE - *Allegro*

Leon Boellmann

*Your Session invites you to a listening session today in Fellowship Hall at 9:30 am and 12:15 pm regarding the Assessment Committee report.*

**HEARING AIDS, LARGE PRINT BULLETINS & BIBLES AVAILABLE FROM USHERS.  
SANCTUARY IS EQUIPPED WITH T-LOOP; SET HEARING AID TO "T" POSITION.**

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Church</b>	<b>Community</b>
<b>Sun 3/17</b>	<b>SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT</b>	
	8:30	Worship (sanctuary)
	9:30	Listening Session (FH)
	9:30	Education Hour
	10:30	Coffee Hour (FH)
	11:00	Worship (sanctuary)
	12:15	Listening Session (FH)
	5:00	Youth Fellowship (Youth room)
<b>Mon 3/18</b>		
	6:00	ETTC (KC1a)
		12:00 Noon AA (FH)
		7:15 ACOA (Music)
		8:00 Monday Night AA (FH)
<b>Tues 3/19</b>		
	7:00	Trustees (KC4a)
		12:00 Noon AA (FH)
		7:00 ACT Gun Violence (Asbury UMC)
<b>Wed 3/20</b>		
	9:30	CLAMS (Panera's)
	10:30	Staff Book Study (KC1a)
	12:00	Staff Meeting (KC1a)
	4:00	Bible Study (KC1a)
		12:00 Noon AA (FH)
<b>Thurs 3/21</b>		
	9:00	Archives (KC6a)
	7:30	Choir Rehearsal (music)
		12:00 Noon AA (FH)
<b>Fri 3/22</b>	<b>OFFICE CLOSED</b> (every other Friday in spring)	
		12:00 Noon AA (FH)
<b>Sat 3/23</b>		
		8:00 Evening AA (FH)
<b>Sun 3/24</b>	<b>THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT</b>	
	8:30	Worship (sanctuary)
	9:30	Education Hour
	10:30	Coffee Hour (FH)
	11:00	Worship (sanctuary)
	5:00	Youth Fellowship (Youth room)
		9:30 Comunidad Presbiteriana
		La Trinidad (chapel)

**CAMPUS CARE UPDATE: Save the Saturdays** - March 30 and April 6. It's time for FPC's special, spring clean-up for the campus grounds, sanctuary interior, and exterior of the ZW House. Updates will be provided with work items dependent on the weather.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SERMON COPIES** - available from the sanctuary, Conduit, volunteer office, and online.

**FISH BANKS** - available from the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor resource room and volunteer office. These fish banks will be "caught" on Palm Sunday. See Miss Good for questions.

**YOUTH FELLOWSHIP TONIGHT** - 5:00-7:00 pm. Dinner provided by the Ford family. Thank you! Youth Sunday planning continues this week and we need your voices! Only two more weeks until Youth Sunday, March 31, at 8:30 and 11:00 am.

**CZECH FRIENDS - Veronika Pomikalkova** will visit Annapolis March 28-31, before the ECCB-PC(USA) Conference (April 1-5, Atlanta). The Czech Committee is planning a potluck supper on March 29, 6:30 pm, at the Hargrove's home (2 Tolson Street, West Annapolis). Veronika will be in church March 31. Please be in touch with Kristie Lilly ([kristie\\_l@hotmail.com](mailto:kristie_l@hotmail.com)) to schedule a visit with Veronika. **Petr & Marta Slama** will be in Annapolis April 6-7. A potluck is planned (to be announced). Reach out to Betty ([cobe@comcast.net](mailto:cobe@comcast.net)) for details.

**FAITH WORKSHOP** - March 30, 9:00 am-3:00 pm, Catonsville Presbyterian Church, one-day training to equip leaders of faith communities including pastors, paid and unpaid church workers, and those passionate about ministering to those who are desperate due to any type of experience with suicide. The training includes the creation of worship resources, training congregation members in awareness and basic conversation skills, and the invitation to those who have been suicidal in the past to share their stories. \$15 includes workshop & lunch. For a link to register, email [office@annapolis-presbyterian.com](mailto:office@annapolis-presbyterian.com).

**DOOR KNOCKING WITH ACT: Affordable Housing** - March 30, 11:00 am-3:00 pm, St Philip's Episcopal Church for training and door-knocking. RSVP to [ladsmom@gmail.com](mailto:ladsmom@gmail.com).

**CUBA PARTNERSHIP VBS** - We will send four people to our partner church in Caibarién in July this summer. Application and cost available online [www.annapolis-presbyterian.com](http://www.annapolis-presbyterian.com). Applications due April 15. Questions to Alison Whitacre ([alisonwhitacre@comcast.net](mailto:alisonwhitacre@comcast.net)).

**ADULT EDUCATION** - Beginning the first Sunday after Easter, April 28, Debbie Mitchell and Martha Johnson will co-lead discussions of Carlos Wilton's excellent work *Principles of Presbyterian Polity* for those interested in further understanding what differentiates us as Presbyterians. We will emphasize those sections relating directly to transitions and leadership in the church. KC4a at 9:30 am; books available via Amazon.