

The First Presbyterian Church

in the City of New York

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

Service for the Lord's Day

April 3rd, 2022 | 11:00 a.m.

The Session and members of First Church extend a sincere welcome to all persons regardless of race, nationality, gender, or sexual orientation. This includes an open invitation to membership, the sacraments of baptism and the Lord's Supper, marriage, funerals, memorial services, and service as an officer of the church.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

"Give Me Jesus"

arr. Marques L.A. Garrett

PEALING OF THE CARILLON

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Please stand in body or in spirit.

God calls to the lost, the least, and all who long for home;

**God calls when we wander from the path chosen for us
and waste the gifts we have been given.**

God calls and welcomes us back to worship this day;

**let us celebrate and rejoice in God's presence forever;
let us worship God together.**

HYMN 415

"Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy"

RESTORATION

CALL TO CONFESSION

KYRIE

Avon Gillespie

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy; have mer - cy, O Lord.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of the lost, the least,
and all who long for home,
how often we wander from your ways
and waste the gifts you have given us!
Forgive us.
Have mercy on us.
Cleanse us and restore us as your children.
Welcome us back, we pray,
so that we may serve you,
live faithfully in community,
and together celebrate and rejoice
in your presence forever;
through Jesus Christ your beloved Son.
Hear us as we open our hearts to you in silent prayer...

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE

AURELIA

Your Spir - it is our teach - er, the light that guides our search,
trans - form - ing bro - ken peo - ple in - to the ho - ly church.
For feed - ing us with mer - cy, for wis - dom you im - part:
sin - cere - ly and com - plete - ly I of - fer you my heart.

SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

CHILDREN'S PRAYER

ANTHEM

Henry Purcell

Thou knowest, Lord, the secrets of our hearts; shut not thy merciful ears unto our prayers; but spare us, Lord most holy, O God most mighty. O holy and most merciful Savior, thou most worthy Judge eternal, suffer us not, at our last hour, for any pains of death, to fall from thee. Amen.

—Book of Common Prayer

HEARING THE WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 15:1-3; 11b-32
pew Bible, New Testament page 78/large print, New Testament page 95

SERMON

“Jesus: A Heart for the Lost”

Rev. Dr. Greg Stovell

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Please stand in body or in spirit.

**This is the good news which we have received,
in which we stand,
and by which we are saved,
if we hold it fast:
that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures,
that he was buried,
that he was raised on the third day,
and that he appeared first to the women,
then to Peter, and to the Twelve,
and then to many faithful witnesses.**

**We believe that Jesus is the Christ,
the Son of the living God.
Jesus Christ is the first and the last,
the beginning and the end;
he is our Lord and our God. Amen.**

OFFERTORY

Stephen Paulus

Tell me, where is the road I can call my own, that I left, that I lost, so long ago? All these years I have wandered, oh, when will I know there's a way, there's a road that will lead me home?

After wind, after rain, when the dark is done. As I wake from a dream in the gold of day, through the air there's a calling from far away, there's a voice I can hear that will lead me home.

Rise up, follow me, come away, is the call, with the love in your heart as the only song; there is no such beauty as where you belong: rise up, follow me, I will lead you home. —Michael Dennis Browne

DOXOLOGY

OLD HUNDREDTH

Please stand in body or in spirit.



Traditional Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise Him, all crea - tures
Inclusive Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise Christ, all peo - ple



here be - low; praise Him a - bove, ye heaven - ly host;
here be - low; praise Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er - more;



praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.
praise Tri - une God, whom we a - dore.

PRAYERS OF DEDICATION

COMMUNION

INVITATION

GREAT THANKSGIVING

SANCTUS

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

**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.**

SHARING THE ELEMENTS

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING

HYMN 649

“Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound”

AMAZING GRACE

Please stand in body or in spirit.

BLESSING

CHORAL RESPONSE

Anglican Chant; George S. Talbot

O praise God in his sanctuary: praise him in the firmament of his power. Praise him in his noble acts: praise him according to his excellent greatness. Praise him in the sound of the trumpet: praise him upon the lute and harp. Praise him upon the timbrels and dances: praise him upon the strings and pipe. Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals: praise him on the loud cymbals. Let everything that hath breath: praise the Lord!

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.

POSTLUDE

“Prelude and Fugue in C minor, BWV 549” Johann Sebastian Bach

*The congregation is invited to continue worshipping through the Postlude,
which is offered in thanksgiving to God.*

The cross which leads the procession today is dedicated
"In memory of all those who died from AIDS in our church and community."
Our cross-bearer today is Christine Flouton.

LEADING THIS MORNING

Rev. Dr. Barbara Davis, *Executive Minister*

Emma Gritsch, *Seminary Intern*

Rev. Dr. Mark Hostetter, *Associate Pastor Associate Pastor for Stewardship and Mission to the Corporate*

Rev. Dr. Greg Stovell, *Pastor/Head of Staff*

The First Church Choir

Michael Shake, *Organist and Director of Music*

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