

POSTLUDE

*O god, Our Help in Ages Past*

W.Croft

*\*Those who are able, please stand.*

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The **Liturgist** for today is Elle Peter.

**Prayer Concerns:** Carolkay Barré; Nick Bradshaw; Ellie Catalano; Ruth Sukala; Mary Ellen Beck; those in need of comfort or healing; those in need of resources; those fighting for justice and equity for all; caretakers; our neighbors; and for us, may we hear your word and follow your ways.

**Today, after worship:**

- Coffee Hour & Fellowship (Assembly Room)
- Children's Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- Lenten Bible Study (Memorial Room)

**Tuesday -**

**12:30pm** - Women's Assoc. Manna with Marcus (Meet at CPC)

**7:00pm** - Trustees' Meeting (Memorial Room)

**Thursday 6:30pm** - Bell Choir; **7:00pm** - Alcoholics' Anonymous; and

**7:30pm** - Chancel Choir

**Lent** has begun! Upcoming events include:

- **Lenten Bible Study** series, which begins after worship today, and continues each Sunday through April 13. We will be reading a book titled *From Wilderness to Glory* (N.T.Wright) as a guide to reflect through stories of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection. All are welcome to participate, for as many sessions as you are available. The book and a light lunch will be provided.
- **Women's Association Lenten Brunch** - Saturday March 22 at 10:30am (registration form in the narthex)
- **Palm Sunday Worship and Pancake Breakfast** - Sunday, April 13
- **Easter Worship** - Sunday, April 20



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March 9, 2025                      Service for the Lord's Day                      10:30 AM

PRELUDE                      *The Heart of Worship*                      M.Redman

WELCOME

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

OPENING PRAYER

INTROIT (203)                      *Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love*                      Ghanaian folk melody

CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsively*)

Where is our home?

**Our home is in the shelter and shadow of God.**

How can this be our refuge?

**Because God's angels will guard your house and those in it from evil and threat.**

How can we flourish?

**Staying close to God's ways will bring our lives to abundance.**

Let us worship God.

\*OPENING HYMN #621 *I Will Call upon the Lord*                      M.O'Shields

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*in unison*)

**Lord Jesus, we have sinned times without number, and been guilty of pride and unbelief, and of neglect to seek you in our daily lives. Our sins and shortcomings present us with a list of accusations, but we thank you that they will not stand against us, for all have been laid on Christ. Deliver us from every evil habit, every interest of former sins, everything that dims the brightness of your grace in us, everything that prevents us taking delight in you. Amen.**

RESPONSE (211)                      *Hear, O Lord, My Plea for Justice*                      C.R.Young

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*GLORIA PATRI (#581)

H.W.Greatorex

PASSING OF PEACE

FAMILY TEACHING MOMENT

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (*in unison*)

**Gracious God, we do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from your mouth. Make us hungry for this heavenly food, that it may nourish us today in the ways of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, the bread of heaven. Amen.**

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

ANTHEM

*"Remember Me"* from *No Greater Love*

L.Larson

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 4:1-13

SERMON

*"Sticker Shock"*

Rev. Marcus C. Lambright

\*RESPONSIVE HYMN #165 *The Glory of These Forty Days*

J.S.Bach

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*in unison*)

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *There is a Green Hill Far Away*  
Kristy Boyce, Soloist

C.Gounod

\*DOXOLOGY (#606)

Old Hundredth

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*CLOSING HYMN #292 *As the Wind Song*

S.W.Lim

\*BENEDICTION

CLOSING RESPONSE (601) *Amen*

Danish melody

## IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

**As approved by Session, there will be a Special Congregational Meeting on Sunday, March 23, immediately following the worship service. The purpose of this meeting is to vote on the election of Pastor Marcus Lambright as our Called Pastor and to approve the Terms of Call.**

All members of the Community Presbyterian Church of Mountainside are eligible to vote, but must be physically present at the meeting to cast a vote. PLEASE MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO ATTEND THIS MEETING.

Recall that currently Pastor Marcus is in the third year of his 3-year Designated Pastor agreement or covenant with the Presbytery, which ends in September. After discussions among Pastor Marcus, the Personnel Committee and the Presbytery, Pastor Marcus expressed his interest in continuing his work with CPC. Subsequently, the Personnel Committee presented Pastor Marcus's nomination as Called Pastor to Session at its meeting in February.

Please contact a member of the Personnel Committee (Connie Fayen, Alison Saksena, Pat Thomas, and Susan Vice) if you have any questions or would like more information.