

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD'S LOVE

GREETING (ISAIAH 2:2-5)

"In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

Gary Grimes

✦CALL TO WORSHIP (PSALM 36:7-9)

Leader: How precious is your steadfast love, O God!

People: All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

Leader: They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

People: For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light.

✦SONG OF PRAISE

HERE I AM TO WORSHIP, w/m by Tim Hughes

CALL TO CONFESSION (EPHESIANS 5:6-17)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy and righteous God, you call us to live as children of light, yet we confess that we often walk in darkness. We have followed empty words and foolish paths, and we have not made the most of the time you have given us. You call us to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, bearing fruit in every good work and growing in the knowledge of you. But we often choose to live in the shadows. By your mercy, awaken us. Shine the light of Christ into every hidden place of our lives. Forgive us and lead us into what is good, right, and true. Hear now our silent prayers of confession...

PROCLAMATION OF GRACE (COLOSSIANS 1:10-14)

✦SONG OF GRACE

I SAW THE LIGHT, w/m by Hank Williams, Sr.

✦PASSING OF THE PEACE

"May the peace of Christ be with you....And, also with you"

At this time, the congregation may greet each other with peace.

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S LOVE

SCRIPTURE READING

JOB 33:28-33

Marcia Chiaudano

Leader: Blessed are those who hear and keep what is written, in the light of Jesus, the Word made flesh.

People: Thanks be to God.

✦SONG OF FAITH

HYMN # 664 - *THY WORD*

SCRIPTURE READING

JOHN 9:1-41

SERIES: SEVEN SIGNS IN THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

SERMON

"HEALING BLINDNESS"

Rev. Dr. Brad Busiek

WE EMBRACE GOD'S LOVE

OFFERING

HYMN # 656 - *OPEN THE EYES OF MY HEART*

In response to God's love, we are invited to reflect on how we might give thanks to God through the sharing of our time, talents, and treasures. (During this time, offering plates will be passed down the pews. There is no obligation to give. You may also choose to indicate your presence or desire to connect or volunteer by placing a gold connect card in the offering plate.)

After the offering plates have been passed, you are invited to come forward, light a candle as a symbol of your prayer, and/or go to the pastor or other leader to receive individual prayers with the anointing of oil and laying on of hands.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

WE ARE SENT OUT TO SHARE GOD'S LOVE IN THE WORLD

✦CHARGE AND BLESSING (MATTHEW 5:14-16)

✦SONG OF DEDICATION

AMAZING GRACE (MY CHAINS ARE GONE), w/m by Newton, Tomlin, and Giglio

✦POSTLUDE

✦Those who are able, are invited to stand.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome! We're glad you have joined us today and hope you feel welcomed and loved! Everyone is invited to gather in the Fellowship Hall after worship for refreshments and conversations. It is good to tell and hear about how God is working in our lives and community!

Membership Information Class, 11:15 - 12:45 Today, Upper Room - Church membership is a way to publicly affirm your faith in Christ and make a commitment to partner in fellowship and ministry with a local community of Christians. When you join Smith Memorial Presbyterian Church, it does not mean that you are perfect or that you understand everything about God; it means that you have a growing desire to identify yourself as a Christian. It means that you are seeking a community of faith in which your spirit can be nourished in God's love and thus be encouraged to follow Christ into the world and share that love with all. Everyone interested in learning more about joining SMPC is invited to stop briefly in the Fellowship hall for refreshments and then bring them to the class today in the Upper Room.

Free Community Dinner Wednesday, March 18. Invite your friends and neighbors to join us for dinner featuring a baked potato bar from 5:30 to 6:30 pm. Everyone is welcome, and help with preparation and clean up is appreciated! Let us know you're coming by signing up in the Fellowship Hall so we know how much food to prepare.

The Jubilant Bells Choir meets every Thursday evening between 6 and 7:30 pm, playing periodically during worship. Both beginners and seasoned bell ringers are invited to join. See Michael Day for more information.

One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) Special Offering - Around the world, millions of people lack access to sustainable food sources, clean water, sanitation, education, and opportunity. The work supported by OGHS—disaster, hunger, poverty, climate change, and immigration/migration and refugees— provides safety, sustenance, and hope ro individuals and communities. To help improve the lives of people in these challenging situations, look for a "Special Offering" envelope or include the amount and "OGHS" with your regular offering.

| REGULAR HAPPENINGS AT SMPC (<i>schedule changes in italics</i>) | | | | |
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| Day (next date) | Time | Event | Place | Contact |
| Sundays | 11:45 - 12:15pm | Voice Choir Rehearsal | Sanctuary | Michael Day |
| 2nd Sunday (4/12) | 11:30 - 1:00pm | Deacon's Meeting | Upper Room | Marty Strange |
| 2nd Sunday (4/12) | After worship | Family Funday | Fellowship Hall | Pastor Brad |
| Tuesdays | 10:30 - 11:30am | Gentle Exercise | Fellowship Hall | Linda Murphy |
| Wednesdays | 10:00 - 11:30am | Bible Study | Fellowship Hall | Lyn Palmer |
| Wednesdays | 10:00 - 3:00pm | Sewing Group | Upper Room | Gayle Burke |
| Wednesdays | 6:00 - 8:00pm | Youth Group | Church Campus | Pastor Brad |
| 2nd Wednesday (4/8) | 5:00pm | Grief Group | Location varies | Berni or Becky |
| 3rd Wednesday (3/18) | 5:30 - 6:30pm | Community Dinner | Fellowship Hall | Pastor Brad |
| Thursdays | 10:30 - 11:30am | Gentle Exercise | Fellowship Hall | Linda Murphy |
| Thursdays | 2:00-3:30pm | Line Dancing | Fellowship Hall | Janet Emch |
| 2nd/4th Thursday (3/26) | 12:00 - 2:00pm | Yarn & Thread | Fireside Room | Joyce Botsch |
| Thursdays | 6:00 - 7:30pm | Jubilant Bells | Sanctuary | Michael Day |
| Fridays | 9:30 - 11:30am | Food Pantry Prep | Church campus | Julie Weindel |
| Saturdays | 10:00 - 12:30pm | Food Pantry | Church campus | Julie Weindel |
| 3rd Saturday (3/21) | 1:00pm | Outriggers | Boccelli's Ristorante, Gresham | Barb Lintner |
| Last Sunday (3/29) | 9:00 - 10:00am | Poverty Book Group | Upper Room | Amy Busiek |
| 5th Sunday (3/29) | After worship | All Church Potluck | Fellowship Hall | Janet Emch |
| NEXT WEEK'S (MARCH 22) SUNDAY SERVANTS | | | | |
| Greeters | Rob Pomazi and Leesa Pomazi | Opening Prayer | Berni Mueller | |
| Ushers | Marcia Chiaudano and Sonja Flener | Scripture Reader | Brenda Haran | |
| Special Helper | Steve Marker | Recorders | Jon Bachelder and Leesa Pomazi | |
| Refreshments | Exercise Group | | | |
| To receive weekly announcements and bulletins via email, subscribe at http://eepurl.com/pNMUP | | | | |

WELCOME TO SMITH MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Seven Signs IN THE GOSPEL OF JOHN



Jesus turns water into wine.
John 2:1-11

February 8



Jesus heals the official's son.
John 4:43-54

February 15



Jesus heals the paralytic.
John 5:1-15

February 22



Jesus feeds the 5,000.
John 6:5-14

March 1



Jesus walks on water.
John 6:16-21

March 8



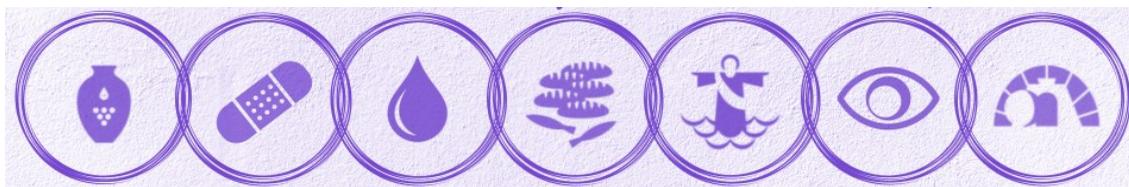
Jesus heals the man born blind.
John 9:1-41

March 15



Jesus raises Lazarus from the dead.
John 11:17-46

March 22



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