



Starkville Presbyterian Church PC (U.S.A.)

March 26, 2023

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Lent

*Order of Worship*

Prelude *O Day of Peace* JERUSALEM

Welcome & Announcements

Introit *New Songs of Celebration Render* RENDEZ À DIEU

+Call to Worship

One: Wait for the Lord.

**All: Our souls wait and hope in God’s word.**

One: Hope in the Lord.

**All: With God there is steadfast love, and great power to redeem.**

One: Our souls wait for the Lord, more than those who watch for the morning,

**All: more than those who watch for the morning.**

+Opening Hymn #366 *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* HYFRYDOL

+Call to Confession

One: Christ is nearer to us than we can imagine. Jesus’ power is not just for a distant past and a far-off future. Jesus is here for us here and now. Because there is forgiveness with God, let us call upon the Lord.

+Prayer of Confession *Unison*

**God of resurrection, we know the power of death. We have seen its works, we have felt its sting. We have been to the valley of despair, and felt like there was no chance for life. We do not believe in Your power to resurrect. We do not believe in Your power to redeem our pain, and fashion something beautiful in this world. Forgive us. We cry from the depths — however faint our call may be, we pray You hear our voice.**

(Moment of Silence)

+Assurance of Pardon

One: Thus says the Lord, you shall know that I am the Lord when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live.

**All: We believe the good news! Thanks be to God.**

Offering *Blessing and Honor* O QUANTA QUALIA

+Doxology #606 *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD HUNDREDTH

+Prayer of Thanksgiving

Special Music *The Gift of Love* arr. Hal H. Hopson

Prayer of Illumination

+Scripture Reading John 11:1-45 (Pew Bible, p. 104)

+Affirmation of Faith (Printed sheet in hymnal rack) The Apostle’s Creed

+Gloria Patri #581 *Glory Be to the Father* GLORIA PATRI

Sermon “Let Go” Rev. Ron McDougald

Prayer of the People and Lord’s Prayer (**debts, debtors**)

+Sending Hymn #286 *Breathe On Me, Breath of God* TRENTHAM  
Cents-Ability Offering and Food Drive collection  
(Please bring your offering to the front of the sanctuary.)

+Charge and Benediction

+Choral Response *Holy Spirit, Come to Us* TUI AMORIS IGNEM

+Postlude *O Day of Joy and Wonder!* JONATHAN’S TUNE

+ **Stand if you are able**

**WELCOME** to Starkville Presbyterian Church. We are grateful for your presence in worship this morning.

**PRAYER LIST.** Please keep the following in your prayers.

Tiernan O'Rourke (awaiting surgery results)

Bill Swoope

Additional prayer concerns are listed in the Prayer Journal found in the Swoope Room.

If you would like to add a request or remove one from the list, please contact Nancy Bryson (324-6320 or nancybryson68@gmail.com) or Rev. Ron McDougald (601-942-8040 or chaplain.mcdougald@gmail.com)

**ELDER OF THE MONTH.** The Elder of the Month for March is Nancy Bryson.

**CENTS-ABILITY (2¢-A-MEAL).** The Cents-Ability Offering and Food Drive will be collected today during the last hymn.

**ROSE BUD.** The rose bud is in honor of Matthew Weston Cranford born Tuesday, March 21<sup>st</sup>, to Beth and Eric Cranford. Welcoming Matthew are his big sisters, Ellie & Caroline, and proud grandparents Lynette and Ron McDougald.

**TEJERAS MEAL PROGRAM.** The meal today, March 26<sup>th</sup>, is sponsored by Richard Mullenax in honor of Melanie's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday.

**CHOIR.** Choir rehearsal will be on Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. at the church.

**SESSION MEETING.** The Session of Starkville Presbyterian Church (USA) will meet on **Thursday, April 6<sup>th</sup>** at the church. If you have items for the Session to consider please contact Elders Nancy Bryson, Pat Colwick, Susan Kuykendall, Anne McWhorter, Richard Mullenax. You may also contact the Clerk Robert Green or Ron

**FLOWERING CROSS.** We will decorate a cross on Easter Sunday outside of the church instead of having individual Easter Lilies. If you would like to honor or memorialize someone, please complete the enclosed form and send your donation to the church (any amount).

**Session**

Rev. Ron McDougald, *Moderator*, chaplain.mcdougald@gmail.com

Robert Green, *Clerk*, robert@robertgreen.org

**CLASS of 2023**

Anne McWhorter

**CLASS of 2024**

Pat Colwick

Susan Kuykendall

**CLASS of 2025**

Nancy Bryson

Richard Mullenax

Interim Minister: Rev. Ron McDougald, chaplain.mcdougald@gmail.com

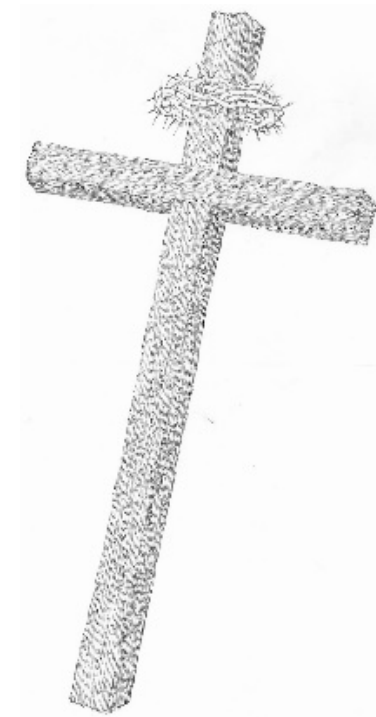
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