

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church
Classic Worship, 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.
March 19, 2023

*Please turn off or silence all cell phones prior to the service.
The asterisk (*) indicates to stand, as you are able.*

WELCOME Dr. John Robbins

OPENING VOLUNTARY *Near the Cross* arr. Don Hustad
Sungyun Kim, organ

* **CALL TO WORSHIP** (based on Isaiah 55:2, 11-12; John 4:24)

Pastor: Let us worship God,
for whom our souls thirst and our bodies long.

**People: Listen, listen to me,
and your soul will delight in the richest of fare.**

Pastor: We have come to hear the Word God has sent.

**People: God's Word will not return empty,
but will accomplish through us his holy purpose.**

Pastor: Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

**People: Then we will go out with joy and be led forth in peace;
the mountains and the hills will sing;
the trees of the field will clap their hands.**

* **PROCESSIONAL HYMN 100** *God, Whose Love Is Reigning o'er Us* LAUDA ANIMA

* **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (The Apostles' Creed) Rev. Abbey Maynard

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;
and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

* **GLORIA PATRI 70** MEINEKE

**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. Amen.**

(9:00) SACRAMENT OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM Hayes Cohen Hawkins

**With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you into Christ's holy church,
for we are all one in Christ Jesus, our Lord. We promise to love, encourage,
nurture and support you, and to help you know and follow Christ.**

FIRST LESSON Psalm 23 (9:00) Laura Doramus
(11:00) Terry Sharp

This is the Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

CHORAL CALL TO PRAYER *Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus* Helen Lemmel

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Rev. Daniel Curry
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

**Almighty God, you despise nothing you have made, and you forgive the sins of all
who are penitent. Create in us new and contrite hearts, that, truly repenting of our sins
and acknowledging our brokenness, we may obtain from you, the God of all mercy,
full pardon and forgiveness, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Redeemer,
and in whose name we pray:**

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 trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,
for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

ANTHEM *When Christ Comes to Die* Hal Hopson
Chancel Choir & Susan Antonetti, flute

GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERING Rev. Maynard

OFFERTORY *Near the Cross/O Sacred Head Now Wounded* arr. Craig Courtney
(in the style of Maurice Ravel)
Frode Gundersen, piano

* **DOXOLOGY 95** OLD 100th

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures here below.
Praise God above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

* **HYMN 206** *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* HOUSTON

* **SCRIPTURE LESSON** John 9:1-41 (selected verses)
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Thanks be to God.

* **GREETING**

SERMON Now I See Dr. Robbins

* **HYMN 378** *Amazing Grace* AMAZING GRACE

* **WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS**

**We rejoice to recognize you as a member of Christ's holy church, and we welcome you
to Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church. With you we renew our vows to uphold it
with our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness.**

*** BENEDICTION**

Let us go out and inspire love, embrace Christ, engage the world,
and tell somebody about Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church.

*** CLOSING VOLUNTARY**

Toccata in D Minor
Sungyun Kim, organ

Gordon Balch Nevin

Communion is available immediately following this service in the Chapel.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Dr. John Robbins, *Senior Pastor*
Rev. Abbey Maynard, *Pastor, Community Ministries*
Rev. Daniel Curry, *Caring Ministries Associate*
Dr. Frode Gundersen, *Director of Music, Arts & Worship*
Sungyun Kim, *Associate Music Director & Organist*

ACOLYTES

(9:00) Sydney Faulkner

USHERS

(9:00) Ann Bortz (*Lead*), Lee Archer, Nancy Archer, Harryette Shue
(11:00) Daniel Hines (*Lead*), Boo Jennings, John Jones, Jim Moody

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The Sanctuary flowers are given in honor of Allen Bird,
by Sherry Bird, Karen and Thomas Day, and Will Bird.

COLUMBARIUM FLOWERS

The Columbarium Garden flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Catherine Anne Todd,
by Linda and Dennis Todd.