

First Sunday in Lent

Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church
Classic Worship, 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.
February 26, 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 *Prelude on 'Land of Rest'* George Shearing
Sungyun Kim, organ

* **CALL TO WORSHIP** – based on John 4:24; 2 Corinthians 5:17-21

Pastor: Let us worship God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ.

**People: We are new creations;
the old has gone, the new has come!**

Pastor: Let us worship God as Christ's ambassadors.

**People: Through us and through our worship
may we announce the good news to all.**

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

People: Praise God! We are reconciled, redeemed, renewed!

* **PROCESSIONAL HYMN 269** *Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days* LAND OF REST

* **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (The Apostles' Creed) Dr. Jeffery Hampton

**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.**

SACRAMENT OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM (9:00) John Allen Cherry
(11:00) Miller David Moll, Lillian (Lily) Mary Moll, and Charlotte Langley Moll

**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 32 Bev Villines

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

ANTHEM *The Gift of Love* Hal Hopson
Chancel Choir

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Rev. Abbey Maynard
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER
**Most merciful God, whose Son, Jesus Christ, was tempted in every way,
yet was without sin, we confess before you our own sinfulness;
we have hungered after that which does not satisfy; we have doubted your power
to protect us. Forgive our lack of faith; have mercy on our weakness.
Restore in us such trust and love that we may walk in your ways
and delight in doing your will. It is in this attitude 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.**

CHORAL AMEN

GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERING Dr. Hampton

OFFERTORY *My Jesus, I Love Thee* arr. Dan Forrest
Dr. 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 377** *It Is Well with My Soul* VILLE DU HAVRE
(Verses 1 & 2)

* **SCRIPTURE LESSON** Matthew 4:1-11
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Thanks be to God.

* **GREETING**

SERMON Facing the Unavoidable Dr. Robbins

* **HYMN 377** *It Is Well with My Soul* VILLE DU HAVRE
(Verses 3 & 4)

* **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**

*** CLOSING VOLUNTARY**

Toccata on 'Hyfrydol'
Sungyun Kim, organ

J. Christopher Pardini

Communion is available immediately following this service in the Chapel.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Dr. John Robbins, *Senior Pastor*
Rev. Jay Clark, *Executive Pastor*
Dr. Jeffery Hampton, *Pastor, Caring Ministries*
Rev. Abbey Maynard, *Pastor, Community Ministries*
Dr. Frode Gundersen, *Director of Music, Arts & Worship*
Sungyun Kim, *Associate Music Director & Organist*

ACOLYTES

(9:00) Gibson Lampley
(11:00) Charlie Marks & William Marks

USHERS

(9:00) Lee Archer (Lead), Nancy Archer, Geoff Gwinn, Harryette Shue, Walker Lampley
(11:00) Jim Moody (Lead), Nancy Leonhardt, Jennie Cole, Jan Sullivan

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The Sanctuary flowers are given in loving memory of Pete Hoover on his birthday,
by Barbara Hoover and Josie, Daniel, Josephine, and Mary Eleanor Felton.

COLUMBARIUM FLOWERS

The Columbarium Garden flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory
of all interred there by the Columbarium Garden Board.