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PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christina Fenstermacher

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Bill Rose

Cry out with joy to the Lord,
all the earth.
Worship the Lord with gladness.
Come into God's presence with singing!
**For the Lord is a gracious God,
whose mercy is everlasting;
and whose faithfulness
endures to all generations.**

*OPENING PRAYER

*OPENING HYMN

REFRAIN:

**All things bright and beautiful,
all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful,
the Lord God made them all.**

**Each little flower that opens,
each little bird that sings,
God made their glowing colors;
God made their tiny wings.**

[REFRAIN]

**The purple-headed mountain,
the river running by,
the sunset, and the morning
that brightens up the sky:**

All Things Bright and Beautiful | No. 20
[REFRAIN]

**The cold wind in the winter,
the pleasant summer sun,
the ripe fruits in the garden,
God made them every one.**

[REFRAIN]

**God gave us eyes to see them,
and lips that we might tell
how great is God Almighty,
who has made all things well.**

[REFRAIN]

"All Things Bright and Beautiful"
TEXT: Cecil Frances Alexander, 1848, alt.
MUSIC: English melody, 17th cent; adapt. Martin Shaw, 1915.
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CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ
to be our Good Shepherd.**

**He has guided us lovingly, kept us from harm,
and led us into places of wholeness.**

**Yet, we confess that we have strayed from him
and have turned away from his voice
that calls us to return to his fold.**

Have mercy, O God, and forgive our wanderings.

**Return us to your way and hold us there by your Holy Spirit, that we may
live to your honor and glory always.**

(A time for silent confession)

KYRIE ELEISON

Lord, Have Mercy | No. 579

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Glory Be to the Father | No. 581

***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.***

LENTEN MOMENT

Planting Seeds | Christina Fenstermacher

SPECIAL MUSIC

*Amazing Grace | Hand Bell Choir
arr. By Jason W. King*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

John 9:1-39 (CEB)

SERMON

In Christ's Flock | Rev. Cindy Carlisle

*HYMN

Amazing Grace How Sweet the Sound | No. 649

**Amazing grace,
how sweet the sound,
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
was blind, but now I see.
'Twas grace that taught
my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that
grace appear
the hour I first believed!
Through many dangers, toils,
and snares,
I have already come.**

**'Tis grace has brought me safe
thus far,
and grace will lead me home.
The Lord has promised good to me;
his word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.
When we've been there ten thousand
years,
bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days
to sing God's praise
than when we'd first begun.**

"Amazing Grace How Sweet the Sound"

TEXT: John Newton, 1775, alt.

MUSIC: Columbian Harmony, 1829; arr. Edwin O. Excell, 1910, alt.

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AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from *A Brief Statement of Faith* | 11.3

We trust in Jesus Christ,
Fully human, fully God.

Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

**Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified,
suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the
world.**

God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

**With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in
death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen**

**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.**

***SENDING HYMN**

Lord, the Light of Your Love is Shining | No. 192

**Lord, the light of your love is shining,
 in the midst of the darkness, shining;
 Jesus, Light of the World,
 shine upon us;
 set us free by the truth you now bring us.
 Shine on me; shine on me.**

REFRAIN:

**Shine, Jesus, shine;
 fill this land with the Father's glory.
 Blaze, Spirit, blaze; set our hearts on fire.
 Flow, river, flow;
 flood the nations with grace and mercy.
 Send forth your word, Lord,
 and let there be light.**

**Lord, I come to your awesome presence,
 from the shadows into your radiance;
 by the blood I may enter
 your brightness.
 Search me; try me;
 consume all my darkness.
 Shine on me; shine on me.**

[REFRAIN]

**As we gaze on your kingly brightness,
 so our faces display your likeness;
 Ever changing from glory to glory,
 mirrored here may our lives tell your story.
 Shine on me; shine on me.**

[REFRAIN]

"Lord, the Light of Your Love is Shining"
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***BLESSING**

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Preaching — Rev. Cindy Carlisle
 Choir Director—Brittney Williams
 Technology — Bob Jones & Jim Collins

Liturgist— Bill Rose
 Pianist—Patricia Provencio

MAR 20 - 26

Events & Celebrations

TUE 21	WED 22	THU 23
Slices of Life Zoom, 7:00PM	Zoom Bible Study, 12:00PM	Hand Bells, 5:30PM LENTEN SUPPER: Gather, 5:00PM Supper, 6:00PM Film Discussion, 6:30PM
FRI 24	SAT 25	SUN 26
Bible 365, 5:00PM BIRTHDAYS Beth Jones Lee Brownfield		Confirmation, 9:00AM Sunday Worship, 10:00AM Fellowship Hour, 11:15AM Bible 365, 11:30AM NA of EP, 3:00PM

Prayers & Concerns

Eric Regis	Frances Blankinship	Pat Bryant
Bob Hedicke	Mildred Helm	Doug Conway
Jack Sturgis	Virginia Walker	Bonnie Pyke

*Need to add or remove someone from the Prayers/Concerns list?
Give us a call at (915) 755-8206 or email us at office@epgrace.com*

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For all offerings given in any form, thank you!

