

# The Setauket Presbyterian Church

"As active disciples of Jesus Christ, we celebrate and share the love of God among ourselves and with others."

# THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY 2nd Sunday in Lent

March 1, 2015 9:30 AM

#### PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

We use this time to make the transition between "getting here" and "being here".

Take these few minutes to find the still, deep places within you, where God's Spirit dwells.

Relax the body; quiet the mind. Focus on breathing, feeling, being. Be mindful of your center—your reservoir of inner peace, strength, love. Be aware of being together in silence with others.

Feel the spirit of the community.

Prelude

Ringing of the Steeple Bell

**Welcome and Announcements** 

Introit I Will Cry Unto God Most High

Robert Wetzler

\* Call to Worship (adapted from Psalm 34:8-9)

O taste and see that the LORD is good;

happy are those who take refuge in God.

O fear the LORD, you holy ones,

for those who fear the LORD have no want.

\* **Hymn 509** *All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly* 

HOLY MANNA

**PRAYER FOR RECONCILIATION** [a prayer of \*\*Macrina the Younger (4c)]

Lord, if out of the weakness of human nature we have fallen and sinned in word or deed or thought, forgive it of us; for you have power to forgive sins on earth. When we are divested of our bodies, may we stand before you with souls unspotted: receive them, blameless and faultless, with your own hands, for we pray in your name...(Silent self-examination and confession)

Choral Supplication Lamb of God

Paul Vasile

Assurance of God's Grace

...Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

# WITH THE CHILDREN AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

(Children should proceed to their church school class.)

# **HEARING THE WORD**

**Sung Prayer for Illumination** 

Hymn 460: Break Thou the Bread of Life (verse 1)

Break Thou the Bread of Life, dear Lord, to me: as Thou didst break the loaves beside the sea; Beyond the sacred page, I seek Thee, Lord; my spirit pants for Thee, O Living Word!

First Reading Psalm 78:17-19, 23-29

Anthem Panis Angelicus
Second Reading John 6:27-58

Cesar Franck

**THE SERMON** Bread of Angels

Bread of the World, in Mercy Broken

RENDEZ À DIEU

The Rev. Mary B. Speers

MINUTE FOR STEWARDSHIP

\* HYMN 499

Art Billadello

# THANKING GOD THROUGH OUR OFFERINGS Offertory

(Please sign the Friendship Roster found at the end of the pew, noting the name of fellow worshippers when it is returned.)

\* Offering Song, Hymn 708, verse 1 (please rise as the offering is brought forward)

We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be; all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

\* Prayer of Dedication

Gracious God, all we have comes from you, and in returning these offerings to you, we offer our lives in your service. Follow these gifts with your blessing, for you feed us all, in this life and the life to come. AMEN.

# SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Table

\* **Hymn 497** Bread of Life from Heaven (verses 1 &2 with refrain) ARGENTINE SANTO

# The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving, with Intercessions

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

**Sharing the Bread and Cup** (Please hold the elements until all are served.) **Prayer after Communion** (from Psalm 103)

Bless the Lord, O my soul:

And all that is within me, bless God's holy name!

Bless the Lord, O my soul:

And forget not all God's benefits.

God our help: we thank you for this supper shared in the Spirit with your holy child Jesus, who makes us new and strong, who brings us life eternal. We praise you for the light you have poured into our hearts, and pledge ourselves in turn to pour that light into the world you so love, through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

\* **HYMN 497** Bread of Life from Heaven (verses 3, 4, 5 with refrain)

ARGENTINE SANTO

#### \* BENEDICTION

The benediction of the God of Sarah, Hagar and Abraham,

The benediction of the Son, who was born of Mary,

The benediction of the Holy Spirit of love,

Who watches over us like a mother for her children,

Descend upon us all. Amen.

(We join with the members of our sister church in San Antonio de los Baños in Cuba in sharing this benediction on the first Sunday of each month.)

# **POSTLUDE**

\*please rise in body or in spirit; unison prayers are in bold.

Large print bulletins, Bibles, hymnals and listening devices are available; please ask a Deacon.

\*\*Macrina the Younger was the older sister of the much more famous brothers Basil the Great and Gregory of Nyssa. She was a spiritual leader of the early church, including of her own brothers.

**OURS IS AN OPEN COMMUNION**. All Christians are invited and encouraged to join us as we celebrate this Sacrament today. This includes children whose parents deem it appropriate and who have instructed their children about the meaning of Communion. Please note that all the bread being served is gluten-free.

# **NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 8**

- 9:00 Knitting at 9 in the Parlor
- 9:30 Worship Service and the Rev. Mary Speers preaching; Ordination & Installation of New Officers; Childcare (ages 1 3)
- 9:45 Church School (Preschool through 6th Grade)
- 11:00 Children's Choir in the Preschool Room
- 11:00 Adult Education Class in the Parlor
- 11:00 Parenting Workshop in the Jr./Sr. High Room
- 3:00 Three Village Clergy Education Series at All Souls Episcopal