

Welcome to the
Setauket Presbyterian Church
of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)



3rd Sunday in Lent
March 19, 2017

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The Setauket Presbyterian Church

Order for Worship

3rd Sunday in Lent, March 19, 2017

LOVE GOD WITH ALL OUR HEART

GATHERING MUSIC

ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT: Light Enters *Jesus, Kind and True*
SPC Children's Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP *(adapted from Psalm 107)*

O tell of the glorious deeds of the Lord, of the mighty wonders God has done.

Tell how God divided the sea and let them pass through it.

God led them with a cloud by day, and a pillar of fire by night.

God split rocks open in the wilderness, and gave them drink abundantly, as from the deep.

For God made streams come out of the rock,

and caused waters to flow down like rivers.

* **HYMN 81** *Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken*

PRAYER FOR RECONCILIATION

Like the children of Israel, O God, we wander in a wilderness; we murmur and complain. We can recite a litany of woes, but find it hard to count our blessings. We are more apt to find fault than build bridges. We are more likely to walk away than work it out. We mean to do good, but wind up in deeper trouble than before. We need your Word to light our way. We need your grace to wash us clean. We need your love to make us whole. We need your reconciling Spirit to make us new.

Through the waters of the Red Sea, you led your people from enslavement to liberation. We need your Spirit to help us let go of the past we know, and follow you into an uncertain future. Pour out your Spirit among us. Be among us this day. Lead your children still, even in a pillar of fire or a cloud of smoke, for we pray in the name of the One who leads us through death to Resurrection, your beloved child Jesus, Christ our Lord...

(Silent Prayer)

Sung Supplication *Lamb of God* Paul Vasile
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: Have mercy, have mercy on us. (2x)
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: Grant us, O grant us your peace.

Assurance of God's Grace

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

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN and THE LORD'S PRAYER

(Children should proceed to their church school class.)

LOVE GOD WITH ALL OUR MIND

SUNG PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Hymn 451 v. 1, Clara H. Scott

*Open my eyes, that I may see visions of truth thou hast for me.
Place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free.
Silently now I wait for thee: ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my eyes: illumine me, Spirit divine!*

FIRST LESSON John 4:1-15

ANTHEM *Desert Wind, find us Again*

Thurlow Weed

SECOND LESSON John 4:16-30, 39a

SERMON In All the Wrong Places

Rev. Mary Speers

HYMN 450 (seated) *Be Thou My Vision* English version: Mary E. Byrne & Eleanor Hull

ORDINATION and INSTALLATION OF DEACON

Deacon: Joan Kahnhauser

Questions to Officers-elect and to the Congregation

Prayer of Ordination and Installation

Congregational Unison Prayer of Commitment and Support

God of grace, who called us to common ministry as ambassadors of Christ, trusting us with the message of reconciliation: give us courage and discipline to follow where your servant rightly lead us; that together we may declare your wonderful deeds and show your love to the world; through Jesus Christ the Lord of all. Amen.

* **HYMN 481** *I Believe in God the Father*

this sung version of the Apostles' Creed is set to the traditional Reformed tune for Psalm 42:

“As a deer longs for flowing streams...”

LOVE GOD WITH ALL OUR STRENGTH

MINUTE FOR STEWARDSHIP

OFFERTORY

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

* **DOXOLOGY no. 592** (alt)

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Merciful God, we dedicate these gifts as an expression of our trust in you. You alone know our hearts, and you more than any human being love us. As our giving draws us closer to one another, may it draw us closer to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

LOVE OUR NEIGHBOR AS OURSELF

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING and INTERCESSION

* **HYMN 65** *Guide Me, O thou Great Jehovah*

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE *Jesus, Remember Me*

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MUSIC FOR GOING FORTH

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.

NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 26

9:00 Knitting at 9 in the Parlor

9:30 Worship Service with the Rev. Dr. Craig Malbon preaching; Childcare (ages 1 - 3);

9:45 Church School (Preschool through 6th Grade); Middle School Program (7th-8th Grade)

11:00 Children's Choir in the Choir Room

11:00 Adult Education Class in the Parlor

1:00 9:00 Music Lessons in lower Preschool Room
