

Order of Worship

* Indicates stand if you are able. Please silence cell phones.

PRELUDE *Precious Lord...arr. J. Schrader*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING OF THE PEACE

INTROIT *My Eternal King...J. Marshall*

Chancel Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP

Marcia Evans

One: Let justice roll down like a mighty stream.

All: Let peace flourish like flowering dogwood.

One: Let truth stand as a mighty oak.

All: Let hope rise like yeast in bread.

One: Let kindness reign from shore to shore.

All: Let our words and deeds dance in compassionate harmony.

One: Let our songs be sung from the mountains to the seas,

All: Songs of God's love for each one and songs of justice for all.

*HYMN # 602

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, You love this world and grieve when we cause harm to any of its people. You are saddened by hungry families, warring tribes, abused children and people lost to addiction and abuse. Forgive us, we pray, for not loving others as ourselves and failing to recognize that each human being is created in Your image. Remind us of Your desire for a world at peace, living in justice and harmony. We have wandered from Your path and take refuge behind walls that divide us. Heal our hearts and through Your grace create new beginnings of peace and justice in our lives and our world. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

HYMN # 185

Jesus Loves Me (vs. 1)

(Kindergarten-5th grade children may come forward)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*HYMN # 340

*Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus
(sing twice)*

ANTHEM

He Never Failed Me Yet...R. Ray

Chancel Choir, Dr. Lisa Elliott-director

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY

Sometimes I Feel Like a Motherless Child...H.T. Burleigh

Rob West, soloist

PRAYER

*HYMN # 815

Doxology

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

(see front inside cover of hymnal)

SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 40:1-11

SERMON

Pastor Jim Houston-Hencken

"Thanksgiving"

*HYMN # 757

Soon and Very Soon

BENEDICTION

*HYMN # 232

*God Be With You
(vs. 1)*

POSTLUDE

Turn Back, O Man, Forswear They Foolish Ways...arr. H. Hopkins

Dr. David Dorway-organ

Thank you to our guest musicians:

Jill Usry - pianist; Rob West - soloist

In Need of Prayer

Judy Aitken, Jim & Becky Aldridge, Bill Carlston, Joan Clark, Rich Crandall, Corrie Dirickson, Rosamaria Duenas, Pennie Everhart, Rosa Gonzales, Charlene Harper, Pam Kodey, Gary & Dorell Koon, Richard Lyle, Maggie O'Donnell, Stephani Martinez, Carole McKinnis, Beth More, Diane Morton, John O'Donoghue, Mary Phillips, Bob Reaney, Jerry Reeves, Marian Rogge, Dr. Bill Stephan, Karlie Stuhmer, Barbara & Marty Swartout, Betty Wagstaff, Sharon Wilson, Neal Yanchisin, and Charlene Yule

Please call the church office to let our staff and pastor know of changes or of others who are sick, in the hospital or are in need of prayer.



Come one come all every Sunday to the Fireside Room for coffee, donuts and fellowship

Weekly Activities

- **Sundays - Adult Sunday School at 9:00 a.m.** in Room 16.
- **Sundays (except 3rd Sundays)- Adult Bible Study Class with Bill Carlston 9:00 a.m.** Meet in Room 14.
- **3rd Sundays - Cancer Support Group 9:15 a.m.** Meet in Room 14
- **Sundays - Praise Team Rehearsal 9:30 a.m.** Meet in the Chapel
- **Sundays - Grace Kids Sunday School 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.** Kids will join worship and attend Sunday School returning to the classroom for fun, friendship, crafts and sharing a Bible Story.
- **Sundays - Youth In-Person 4:00 p.m.** Meet in the Knox House.
- **3rd Tuesdays - Sarah Elizabeth 10:30 a.m.** Meet in the Fireside Rm.
- **Wednesdays - Chancel Choir Rehearsal 7:15 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.** Meet in the Sanctuary.
- **Thursdays - ZOOM Bible Study with Pastor Jim 10:00 a.m.** Please email Pastor Jim at jimhh@gracepclv.org to get the link to join.
- **Thursdays - Contemporary Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.** in the Chapel
- **Fridays - Zoom GIFTS (Women's Bible Study) meeting 9:30 a.m.** Contact Tiffany Palumbo at tiffdane@juno.com for details.
- **Fridays - "It's a Guy Thing" (Men's Coffee Fellowship) 9:30 a.m.**

Epicenter on the Parkway Christ Church Episcopal

February Donations:

Food that is easy to chew or swallow
Place in the "Little House" in the
Social Hall

Amazing Grace

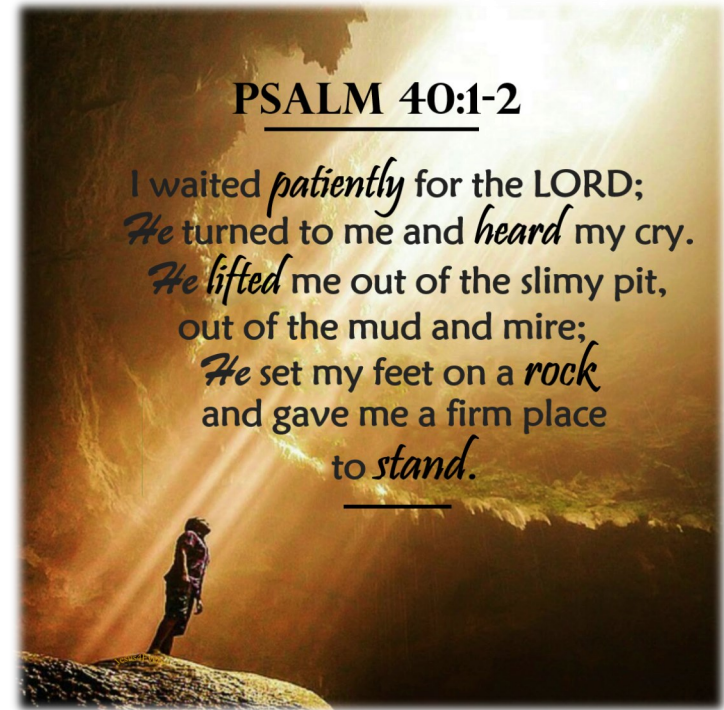
February Donations:

Razors, travel-size shaving cream
Place in the designated baskets in the
Narthex

Grace

Presbyterian Church

Central Campus



PSALM 40:1-2

I waited *patiently* for the LORD;
He turned to me and *heard* my cry.
He lifted me out of the slimy pit,
out of the mud and mire;
He set my feet on a *rock*
and gave me a firm place
to *stand*.

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