
Gathering those who fear they are not enough,
so we may experience grace, wholeness, and renewal as God's beloved.

Please note: Pastor Megan will reference incest and sexual assault in her sermon.
Please do what you need to do to take care of yourself.

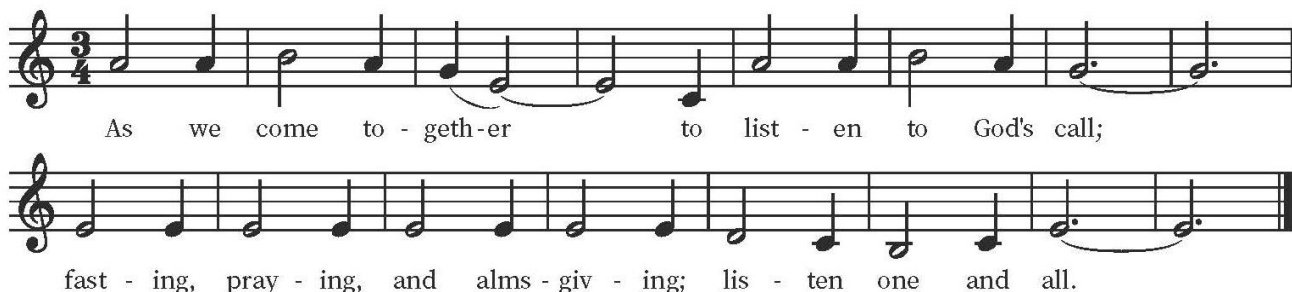


Seventy-seven Times | Rev. Lauren Wright Pittman

Preparing Our Hearts for Worship

God's Call

Lonnie Bickel



Welcome

Yena Hwang

* Opening Song #775 (v. 1)

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

1 I want Je - sus to walk with me;
I want Je - sus to walk with me;
all a - long my pil - grim jour - ney,
Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.

The musical score is written for a single melodic line on a treble clef staff in 4/4 time. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody is characterized by a steady, rhythmic pattern of eighth and quarter notes, often with ties, creating a sense of continuous movement. The lyrics are placed below the staff, aligned with the notes. The first line starts with a '1' indicating the first measure. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

The two equal phrases in each line suggest that this African American spiritual shares some characteristics of work or field songs that were used to coordinate the efforts of slaves involved in tasks (road clearing, ditch digging, etc.) that needed combined rhythmic strokes.

TEXT: African American spiritual
MUSIC: African American spiritual; arr. Nolan Williams Jr., 2000
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WALK WITH ME
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Opening Prayer

Yena Hwang

Silence

Scripture Reading

Matthew 18:15-22

Clay Warner

¹⁵ “If your brother or sister sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If you are listened to, you have regained that one. ¹⁶ But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷ If that person refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church, and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a gentile and a tax collector. ¹⁸ Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹ Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. ²⁰ For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”

* Please stand in body or spirit

²¹ Then Peter came and said to him, "Lord, if my brother or sister sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" ²² Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

ONE: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

A Place at the Table

Megan Klose

Response Song #417

Lord Jesus, Think on Me



1 Lord Je - sus, think on me, and purge a - way my sin. From
2 Lord Je - sus, think on me, a - mid the bat - tle's strife. In
3 Lord Je - sus, think on me, nor let me go a - stray. Through
4 Lord Je - sus, think on me, that, when this life is past, I



earth-born pas - sions set me free, and make me pure with - in.
all my pain and mis - er - y be thou my health and life.
dark - ness and per - plex - i - ty point thou the heaven - ly way.
may the e - ter - nal bright-ness see, and share thy joy at last.

TEXT: Synesius of Cyrene, 5th cent.; trans. Allen W. Chatfield, 1876, alt.
MUSIC: Daman's *Psalmes*, 1579, alt.

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Our Life Together as the Body of Christ

Yena Hwang

Offering

Please support the mission and ministry of the church with your financial contributions. Offerings can be placed in the offering plate, mailed to the church office, given online at fcpc.breezechms.com/give/online, texted to give at 7037751355, or scanned using the QR code.



Prayers of the People

Clay Warner

The Prayers of the People are offered on behalf of and with the congregation, usually by an elder who is currently serving or has previously served on Session. Prayer requests can be sent to Pastors Yena and Megan at prayers@fallschurchpresby.org. At the end of the prayer we will sing:



For you, O Lord, my soul in still-ness waits; tru-ly my hope is in you.

Continued Prayers

Young Hobbie, Allan Capon, Robbie Harris, Ruth Mileham, Ken Waugh

Communion of the People

Yena Hwang, Megan Klose

Invitation to the Table, Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Distribution of the Elements

Communion is by intinction. The bread is gluten-free and the cup is non-alcoholic. Receive bread into your open hand, and dip it in the cup.

Post-Communion Prayer

Megan Klose

* Sending Song #475

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing



1 Come, thou Fount of ev-ery bless-ing; tune my heart to sing thy grace;
2 Here I raise my Eb - e - ne - zer; hith-er by thy help I'm come;
3 O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con-strained to be!



streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud-est praise.
and I hope, by thy good plea-sure, safe-ly to ar - rive at home.
Let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan-dering heart to thee.



Teach me some me - lo-dious son - net, sung by flam-ing tongues a-bove;
Je - sus sought me when a strang-er, wan-dering from the fold of God;
Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;



praise the mount! I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un-chang-ing love!
he, to res - cue me from dan-ger, in - ter-posed his pre-cious blood.
here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

Sharing of the Peace

ONE: The peace of Christ be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

ONE: Go into this week, doing justice and practicing kindness, as you walk humbly with God.

ALL: Amen.

ONE: Please share the sign of peace with one another.

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Supporting Us in Worship

Worship Leader

Clay Warner

Music

Lonnie Bickel

Audio/Video

Alex Hess

A Warm Welcome

Thank you for joining us in worship this morning. If you would like to learn more about our community of faith, please talk to a pastor at the end of this service.

Children in Worship

Children are always welcome in our services. Children's bulletins and coloring sheets are available for children of all ages.

Announcements

Mid-Week Lenten Devotions, Wednesdays at noon in Lent. Join Pastor Megan to contemplate Peter's wandering heart, which made him the most relatable of the disciples. We will reflect on his experience through scripture, art, and poetry. Meets in the Conference Room or Zoom <https://bit.ly/WanderingHeartWednesday>.

Soul Food, Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. in Lent, Third Floor. Soul Food features a simple supper followed by instruction and discussion. We are studying *Witness at the Cross* by A.J. Levine. Sign up through the link in the Friday egram.

Drop & Dash, March 24. Drop off your monthly donations for the Knox Food Pantry and toiletries for Welcome Table at the cupboard in the main hallway.

Matthew 25 Group, Sundays, 9:30 a.m., Room 303. Matthew 25 will discuss Chapter 6 of Resmaa Menakem's *My Grandmother's Hands* this Sunday, March 17.

Serendipity Class, Sundays, 9:30 a.m., Conference Room. Serendipity is reading *The Great Shift: Encountering God in Biblical Times*. All are welcome.

Single Worship Service with Palm Sunday Cantata, March 24. We will have one service at 10:45 a.m. in the Sanctuary on Palm Sunday with special music from the Chancel Choir, violin, and cello. “Behold the Lamb!” is a musical and narrative journey that underscores the significant price that Jesus paid for our freedom and salvation. It recalls Israel’s release from Egyptian bondage with the Passover Lamb, a foretelling of God’s divine plan to provide the Holy Lamb as the ultimate sacrifice for our spiritual freedom. The despair of Christ’s crucifixion eventually gives way to joy in a triumphant celebration of His resurrection! Blending original melodies with timeless hymns, Molly Ijames, Lloyd Larson, and Jay Rouse combine forces to create a compelling worship experience and a dramatic reminder of God’s relentless love and grace.

Maundy Thursday, March 28. Join us for worship with communion and a soup supper at 6:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. A Tenebrae service will follow at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Please register for the soup supper through the link in the Friday egram.

Ives House: Did You Know?

In 2013, the Mission and Social Concerns Committee of FCPC entered into an agreement with Shelter House to provide housing for three small families at Ives House. Each family shared an individual bedroom. The common areas were used by all parties. The joint-tenancy model was difficult to administer and was terminated. The last of the families left the property in the fall of 2016.

In 2017, FCPC welcomed the Benitez family to Ives House. The 12-member family had previously escaped gang violence in Honduras. Originally housed in separate shelters, the Ives House provided a home where the entire family could be together for the first time since their arrival in the U.S. Members of the family included five adults, two of them elderly and two others disabled, and seven children between the ages of 6 and 14. Only one adult was of an age and ability to earn an income for the family. Over the time of their lease and with support from FCPC, the family made great progress. Four children graduated from George Mason (now Meridian) High School. Family members were able to relocate in 2023 after their needs and circumstances improved.

Church Calendar

Sunday, March 17 - 5th Sunday in Lent

Informal Worship Service, 8:30 a.m., Fellowship Hall. In person or online.

Matthew 25 Book Discussion, 9:30 a.m., Room 303

Serendipity Class, 9:30 a.m., Conference Room

Waffle Church, 9:30 a.m., Third Floor

Traditional Worship Service, 10:45 a.m., Sanctuary. In person or online.

Worship Ministry Team, noon, Conference Room & Zoom

Monday, March 18

Personnel, 6:30 p.m., Zoom

Tuesday, March 19

Tuesday Morning Prayer Group, 8:45 a.m., Zoom

Sarah Circle, 7:00 p.m., Parlor

Wednesday, March 20

Third Wednesday Welcome Table Preparation, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Wandering Heart Mid-Week Devotions, noon, Conference Room and Zoom:

<https://bit.ly/WanderingHeartWednesday>

Third Wednesday Welcome Table Meal Distribution, 4-6 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Soul Food, 6:30 p.m., Third Floor. Register in advance through the egram link.

Pastor Nominating Committee, 7:30 p.m., Library and Zoom

Thursday, March 21

Chancel Choir, 7:30 p.m., Choir Room

Friday, March 22 - *No scheduled events*

Saturday, March 23

Bible Study & Fellowship Group, 8:00 a.m., Parlor.

Sunday, March 24 - Palm/Passion Sunday - Holy Week Begins

Drop & Dash Sunday

Matthew 25 Book Discussion, 9:30 a.m., Room 303

Serendipity Class, 9:30 a.m., Conference Room

Youth Sunday School (grades 6-12), 9:30 a.m., Third Floor

Single Worship Service with Palm Sunday Cantata, 10:45 a.m., Sanctuary. In person or online.

If you need to talk to someone about trauma, contact Pastor Yena at 703-532-6518 or Pastor Megan at 571-217-3602.

Local crisis intervention and mental health resources:

The Women's Center thewomenscenter.org, 703-281-2657 (TTY: 711)
8230 Old Courthouse Road, Suite 310, Vienna, VA 22182

CrisisLink prsinc.org/crisislink, 703-527-4077

DC Rape Crisis Center dcrcc.org, 202-333-7273

RAINN National Sexual Assault Hotline RAINN.org, 800-656-4673

National Helpline for Male Survivors 1in6.org

Domestic and Dating Violence thehotline.org, 800-799-SAFE (800-799-7233)

National Center for Victims of Crime victimsofcrime.org, 855-4VICTIM (855-484-2846)

National Human Trafficking Hotline humantraffickinghotline.org
888-373-7888

National Center for Missing and Exploited Children missingkids.org
800-THE-LOST (800-843-5678)

Falls Church Presbyterian belongs to the Covenant Network of Presbyterians, "working for the unity of the church, furthering the inclusion of LGBTQ persons, seeking understanding and reconciliation, and joining with others seeking a still more just and inclusive church."

Falls Church Presbyterian is also a Matthew 25 church seeking to build congregational vitality, dismantle structural racism, and eradicate systemic poverty.

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