

Pebble Hill Presbyterian Church



March 15, 2020

PEBBLE HILL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*Service of Worship for the Lord's Day
Third Sunday in Lent*

March 15, 2020

9:30 a.m.

We Gather in God's Name

PRELUDE

MEDITATION (in preparation for worship)

"I have learned to prize holy ignorance more highly than religious certainty and to seek companions who have arrived at the same place. We are a motley crew, distinguished not only by our inability to explain ourselves to those who are more certain of their beliefs than we are but, in many cases, by our distance from the centers of our faith communities as well."

Barbara Brown Taylor
in *Leaving Church*

"He abolished the Jewish Law with its commandments and rules, in order to create out of two races one new people in union with himself."

Ephesians 2:15 TEV

"Are you a princess? I said, and she said, I'm much more than a princess, but you don't have a name for it yet here on earth."

Brian Andreas
in *Mostly True*

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 95:6-8a

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For the Lord is our God, and we are the people of God's pasture and the sheep of God's hand.

O that today you would hearken to God's voice!

Harden not your hearts, as your ancestor's did in the wilderness.

*HYMN #420

God of Grace, and God of Glory

Rhonda

Please stand if you are able. Congregation reads aloud the **bold print.*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND RECONCILIATION

God, who made us to be mirrors of your goodness: in your presence we own up to our faults and failings, especially the fault of selfishness, and the failure to love other people as much as we love ourselves. This is how cruelty starts, and greed, and envy. Help us to stop these things instead of starting them. Show us ourselves as you see we are and as you see we might become. Show us our friends and our enemies as you see them. Show us Jesus as our brother. May we stand corrected by him and forgiven for his sake...

A Time of Silence

[Please take this time in silence to offer your own prayers of confession - confessing your need for God and naming those barriers that keep you from knowing life as God's beloved child.]

Collect

Assurance of Pardon

Romans 5:6-8

In Christ Jesus God loves us unconditionally and forgives us.

In Jesus Christ, God restores us to faith and hope and love.

*Response #298

v. 2

For the love of God is broader than the measures of the mind; and the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind. If our love were but more faithful, we would gladly trust God's Word; and our lives reflect thanksgiving for the goodness of the Lord.

*Passing the Peace

Since God has made peace with us, let us make peace with each other.

The peace of Christ be with you all.

And also with you. (We greet each other: "The peace of Christ be with you.")

We Share and Proclaim God's Word

SCRIPTURE

John 4:3-42

Pew Bible p. 94

CHILDREN'S CONVERSATION

Children leave for time of instruction

Congregation response:

Jesus Loves Me!

#304 vs.1

Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so; little ones to Him belong; they are weak, but He is strong. Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

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ANTHEM

Ubi Caritas

Duruflé

A FEW WORDS ABOUT SCRIPTURE

Rev. Stuart Hayes

*HYMN #446

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken (vv.1-2)

Austrian Hymn

We Give Thanks to God

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Lord's Prayer

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Sung Response

Lord, Listen to your People Praying

Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray - ing, _____

Lord, send your Spir-it in this place; _____

Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray - ing, _____ send us

love, send us power, send us grace. _____

THE OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

Offertory

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***Doxology** *Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow* #591
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, praise Christ, all people here below:
Praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen

***Dedication**

We Go in God's Name

***SENDING HYMN#280** *Amazing Grace* Amazing Grace

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE



Welcome to our worship at Pebble Hill!

If you are with us for the first time, we hope that you find our worship meaningful and our fellowship inviting. Please reach out to Pastor Elizabeth or Nancy Byrne to learn more about Pebble Hill Church.

Please keep in your prayers this week members and friends who are not able to worship with us:

AT HOME: *Jinny Byers, Jerry Weimar, Marjorie Quaiife*

AT CARE FACILITIES: *Betsy Stone (Nottingham), Dot Downing (Brookdale E. Genesee St.), Hazel Phipps (Nottingham), Robin Batley (Maple Downs), Marilyn Dixon (McHarrie Pointe, Baldwinsville), Margaret Bowen (Nottingham)*

CAREGIVERS AND THEIR LOVED ONES

Thank you to today's ministry assistants:
Lynda Wheat, Liturgist; Kevin and Craig Cobb, Ushers

Flowers for this morning's service are given by Maggie and Roger Reid in memory of Patricia Kimm. Happy Birthday Patty.

Announcements

Forums in March will be: Caring for our Common, Sacred Home, Creation and Climate Change. The four Forums in March, preceding the 50th Anniversary of Earth Day will attempt to

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construct a Christian response to the effects of climate change. We will draw some help from Pope Francis and Protestant theologians as we make response to the most significant challenge to the human species since its inception.

Easter flower sign-up sheets are at the Deacon's table. There are Lilies, Daffodils and Tulips available at \$12 per plant. The last day to order is April 2.

The ACTS banquet is on April 21 at Drumlins! There is a sign-up sheet on the Deacon's table in the Atrium. Please contact Lennie Turner at lturner5@twcny.rr.com if you have any questions.

Pebble Hill's next chance to love and serve God and neighbor through a Samaritan Center Serving is Sunday, March 29th. We will need cooks, bakers and 18 servers. If you would like to help cook on Saturday the 28th, please contact Dixie Blackley. If you can help serve, please contact Tim Frazee or sign up on the neon green poster in the church foyer. If you would like to provide our guests with a tasty dessert, please bake cookies, brownies, pies or cakes and drop them off at the church on Friday the 27th before noon, Saturday 28th, between 9-11 or bring something to church on Sunday the 29th.

This Week at Pebble Hill Church: 3/15/20 - 3/21/20

Sunday:	11:00 a.m.	New Jerusalem Food Delivery
	11:00 a.m.	Adult Forum
	11:15 a.m.	Worship Committee Meeting
	6:30 p.m.	Sacred Circle
Monday:	6:00 p.m.	Women's Dinner
Tuesday:	10:00 a.m.	Mug n Muffin Bible Study
	3:30 p.m.	Membership Committee Meeting
	6:00 p.m.	Session Meeting
Wednesday:	9:30 a.m.	On Point Espanol Class
	5:30 p.m.	Alzheimer's Support Group
Thursday:	5:00 p.m.	Salt City Ukulele Club
	6:45 p.m.	Lenten Taize Service
	7:30 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal

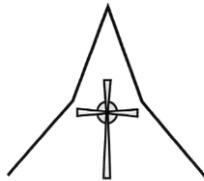
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