

# *Pebble Hill Presbyterian Church*



*Worship for February 5, 2023*

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### Prelude

### Meditation (in preparation for worship)

"The day the child realizes that all adults are imperfect he becomes an adolescent; the day he forgives them, he becomes an adult; the day he forgives himself he becomes wise."

Alden Nowlan  
in *Between Tears and Laughter*

"Unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."

Matthew 5:20

"But little by little - less by taking pains than by taking it easy - the forgiven man starts to become a forgiving man, the healed man to become a healing man, the loved man to become a loving man. God does most of it."

Frederick Buechner  
in *Wishful Thinking*

### Welcome!

*We are so glad you are here! If you are new or visiting, please sign the guest pad in the pews so that we may get to know you better and send you our e-newsletter. Please join us for refreshments during our Fellowship Hour after the service.*

*\*Please stand if you are able. **Congregation reads responses in bold print.***

**Sentence:**

I Corinthians 2:10-12

**Aminy Audi**

These things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God.

**\*Hymn #643**

*Now Thank We All Our God*

Cruger

## **Call to Confession**

### **Prayer of Confession**

God of abundance beyond our wildest dreams: in love you spread good gifts before us, more than we need or deserve. You feed, heal, teach and save us. We confess that we want more; that we never share as freely as you give. We resent what we lack and our jealous of neighbors. We misuse what you intend for joy. God, forgive our stubborn greed and our destructiveness. In mercy help us to take such pleasure in your goodness that we will always be thanking you...

### **Silent Prayer**

*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 #469**

*Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying*

*Lord, listen to your children praying.*

*Lord, send your spirit to this place.*

*Lord, listen to your children praying.*

*Send us love; send us power; send us grace.*

**Declaration of Pardon**

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

**Through Christ, God restores us to faith, hope and love.**

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

**\*Passing the Peace**

**\*Gloria (Hymn #583)**

*Glory to God*

*Glory to God, Glory to God, glory in the highest!*

*Glory to God, Glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!*

**Children's Conversation**

**Hymn #188**

*Jesus Loves Me!*

(Teacher and students leave for class.)

**Scripture:**

Matthew 5:13-20

**Aminy Audi**

“You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

**\*Hymn #169***Dear Lord and Father of Mankind*

Maker

**A Few Words about Scripture****Rev. Stuart Hayes****Offering****Anthem***Very Bread, Good Shepherd, Tend Us*

Talmudge

**\*Doxology****Prayer of Dedication**

Announcements

Joys and Concerns

Prayer

Invitation to Communion

\*Hymn #729

*Lord, I Want to Be a Christian*

Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Give thanks to God, for God is good....

**God's love is everlasting**

God of everlasting love...to pray, saying,

Prayers of the People and 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 and ever. Amen.

The Bread and Cup

Prayer

\*Hymn #649

*Amazing Grace v. 1-3*

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 Stuart or Nancy Byrne to learn more about Pebble Hill Church.*

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## *Please keep in your prayers this week*

- ❖ We pray for Pat Carroll and family, at the passing of her husband, Ed.
- ❖ We hold Shirley and Jerry Weimer's daughter, Jackie and her husband David and the Bender family in our prayers. David's mother was just diagnosed with stage 4 cancer and his father has Parkinson's. We pray for the Lord's help and mercy.
- ❖ We pray for all caregivers.
- ❖ We pray for New Jerusalem and Eastern Farmworkers as they assist those in need in our communities.
- ❖ We pray for the victims of earthquakes, floods and storms throughout the world.
- ❖ We pray for all those experiencing famine throughout the world.
- ❖ We pray for the people of Ukraine.
- ❖ We pray for this country; may it find peace from all the discord.
- ❖ We pray for the Elders and Deacons of this church. We pray for the PNC.

## **Announcements**

Our annual financial meeting of the congregation will be held after worship on Sunday, February 12. The annual report will be available for pick up this Sunday in the Lounge.

### Forum Update

There will be no Forum this Sunday, February 5. The Forum on Environmental Stewardship and Sustainability, led by Ron Cavanagh and Dan Radcliffe, will resume on Sunday, February 19.



## From the Witness to Racial Reconciliation Team

On Wed., Feb. 8th, 7 - 8:30, we will continue our study of the Civil Rights Movement. Please join us as we explore events from the late 60s. Video to watch beforehand or for independent study: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rDTYGSIZbbM&list=RDLVtfgQdCld3Fg&index=2>

Zoom

info: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89408426051?pwd=djZla2dnSkVUbkpFcTkYdklkYzZZdz09>

Meeting ID: 894 0842 6051

Passcode: 527165



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## The Week at Pebble Hill 02/05-02/11

Sunday

Monday

**6:00 pm** PNC – Forum

Tuesday

9:30 am Bluebirds – KR

5:00 pm Girl Scouts – NR

**6:00 pm** Board of Deacon’s Meeting – Zoom

6:30 pm Syracuse Chorale - FH

Wednesday

**10:30 am** Memory Café – FH

4:30 pm Bluebirds – KR

4:30 pm Alzheimer Group – Lounge, CR

**7:00 pm** Exploration of Race & Racism in USA - Zoom

Thursday

10:00 am Bluebirds – KR

4:00 pm Bluebirds – KR

5:00 pm Salt City Ukulele practice – FH

**6:00 pm** Choir Practice – Choir Loft

Friday

9:30 am Bluebirds – KR

Saturday

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10:00 am Schola Cantorum Rehearsal – Sanctuary

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**Thank you to today's ministry assistants:**

Craig and Kevin Cobb - Ushers

**Communion Servers**

*Janine Bernard, Doris Gorman*

*David Hitchcock, Andrew Trapasso,*

**Communion Preparers**

*Donna Sognefest, Lynda Wheat*

REV. STUART HAYES — BRIDGE PASTOR

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*THANKS TO THOSE WHO ARE LIVE STREAMING THIS MORNING'S SERVICE.*

