



J. J. WHITE MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Third Sunday in Lent
March 3, 2024 * 10:30 AM

Gathering

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Cassie Alston

Prelude

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

arr. Gregg Sewell

Introit

Change My Heart, O God

arr. Benjamin Harlan

Call to Worship

Psalm 19:1-4

Heaven is declaring God's glory;

the sky is proclaiming God's handiwork.

One day gushes the news to the next,

and one night informs another what needs to be known.

There is no speech; there are no words;

their voices cannot be heard by us.

Yet their sound extends throughout the world;

their words reach the ends of the earth!

*Hymn No. 21 (vv. 1, 3, 4)

How Great Thou Art

O STORE GUD

Call to Confession

This is the proof of God's great love: that while we were sinners, Christ died for us. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Anyone who is in Christ is a new Creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. **Thanks be to God.**

The Word

Anthem

Medley of the Cross

arr. Page and Shafferman

Prayer for Illumination

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy you what you say to us today.
Amen.

Scripture: Psalm 19; John 2:13-22

Sermon

The Glory of God

Rev. Cassie Alston

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

Hymnal, p. 14

*Hymn No. 805 (Gloria Patri)

Glory Be to the Father

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*Hymn No. 484

The Old Rugged Cross

OLD RUGGED CROSS

The Invitation to the Offering

The house of God is not a marketplace for buying and selling. It is a house of prayer, a place of healing and restoration, a place where we bring before God our provisions to be used for present needs. Let us bring our tithes and offerings to God.

Offertory

Ah, Holy Jesus

arr. Anna Laura Page

*Hymn No. 809 (Doxology)

Praise God from Whom All Blessings

OLD HUNDREDTH

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

O Lord our God, we want to follow all your commandments – to love only you, not worshiping the things of this world, and to love our neighbor freely. Accept these offerings, we pray, and teach us to be generous, giving freely of ourselves that we may truly be the body of Christ for this world. **Amen.**

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Sending

*Hymn No. 584 (vv. 1, 4)

Have Thine Own Way, Lord

ADELAIDE

Charge and Benediction

In the Lenten week ahead, find time and space to listen for God's glory as it is spoken in the world around you. May God shine upon you, Christ will you with true wisdom and strength, and the Holy Spirit guide you into all faithfulness, now and forever. **Amen.**

Postlude

Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life

GERMANY

*Please stand as you are able

Announcements

Welcome to Worship!

All who worship here are joyfully welcomed into our midst! To our visitors, we offer a special hand of fellowship and invite you to join us again soon. Please fill out the blue card in your pew and place in the offering plate when passed.

Record from last Sunday

Attendance: 57

Offering \$3457.38

Service of Ordination/Installation

Attendance: 108

This Week at J. J. White Memorial Presbyterian

Tuesday, 3/5	5:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal
Wednesday, 3/6	7:15 AM	Men's Prayer Breakfast (Fellowship Hall)

Upcoming Worship Events

Sunday, 3/10	10:30 AM	Fourth Sunday in Lent
Sunday, 3/17	10:30 AM	Fifth Sunday in Lent (Communion)
Palm Sunday, 3/24	10:30 AM	Liturgy of the Palms Jeremy Threlfall, tenor Oscar Leal, cello
Maundy Thursday, 3/28	6:00 PM	Holy Thursday (Communion)
Good Friday, 3/29	6:00 PM	Good Friday
Easter Sunday, 3/31	10:30 AM	Easter/Resurrection of the Lord Bridget Regan, soprano Jeremy Threlfall, tenor Dr. LaTannia Ellerbe, violin

Session

Rev. Cassie Alston – Moderator	Watkins “Noggin Wild – Clerk	Wayne Hutchison – Treasurer
Class of 2024	Class of 2025	Class of 2026
Melisa Decoux	Tommy Brock	Sarah Ross
Suzi Drummond	Linda Miller	Dr. Robbie Decoux
Whitney Rawlings	Watkins “Noggin’ Wild	Sam Daniel

Sanctuary Flowers:

The Sanctuary Flowers are given by Rusty Whittington in honor of the women of J.J. White.

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