This Sunday's worship service will be broadcast on FPC's YouTube Channel - "FPC Phoenixville". The recorded version will be available for "anytime" viewing.
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCrmNs7JdvZNJpsNjs0Ds8vg.

Morning Worship
March 7, 2021 ╬╬╬ 10:30 a.m.

Prelude *"Sonata in D Major, Opus 6"* Beethoven
Rebecca Barkley and Diane Legnini – 4 hand piano

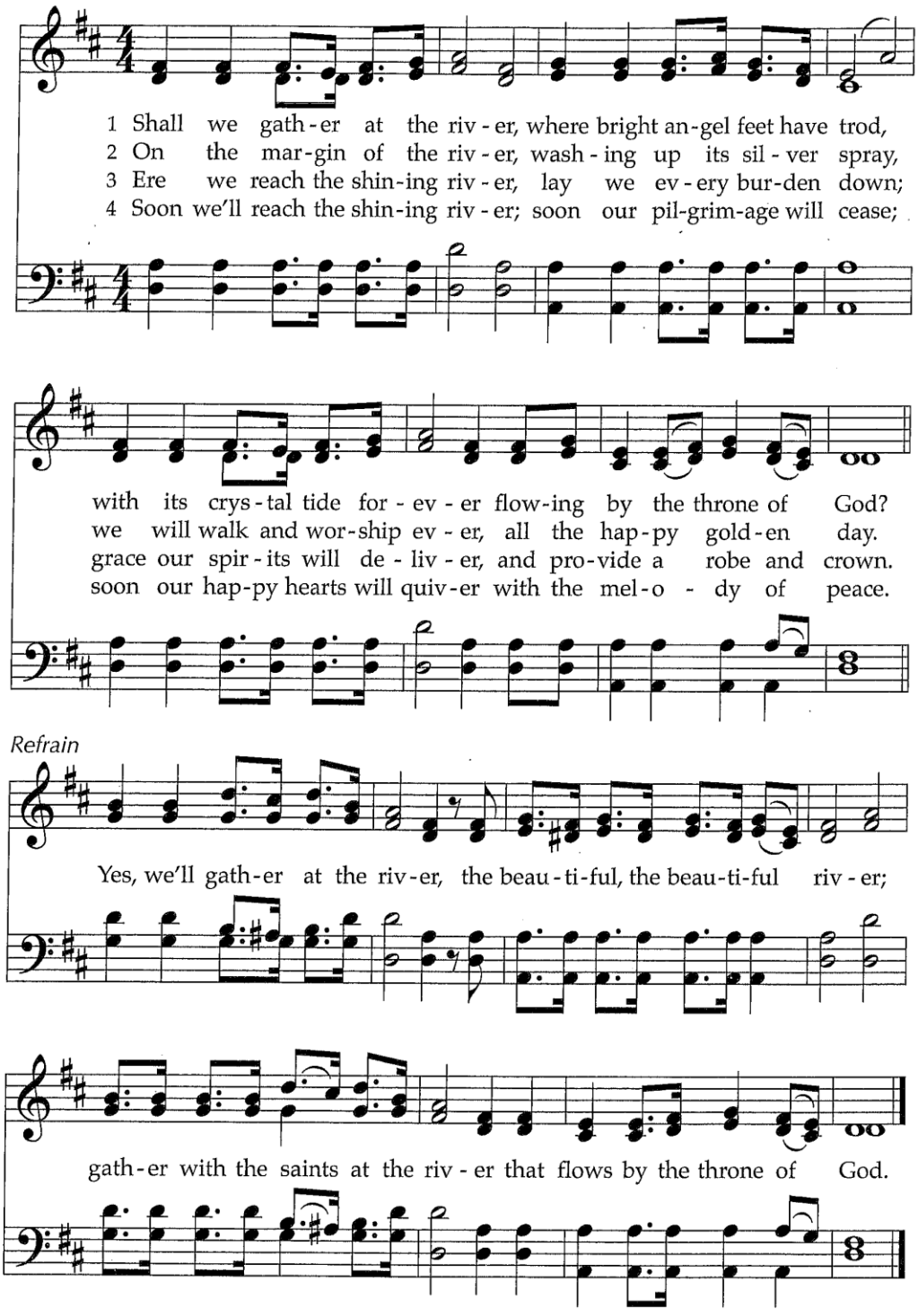
Welcome Rev. Doug Hagler

Announcements

Sharing the Peace - *Take this moment to comment on the live YouTube chat and let people know you are here, or get out your phone and text someone to say hi.*

Call to Worship *(unison) Psalm 19*

7 The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul;
the decrees of the LORD are sure,
making wise the simple;
8 the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart;
the commandment of the LORD is clear,
enlightening the eyes;
9 the fear of the LORD is pure, enduring for ever;
the ordinances of the LORD are true
and righteous altogether.
10 More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold;
sweeter also than honey,
and drippings of the honeycomb.
14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
be acceptable to you, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

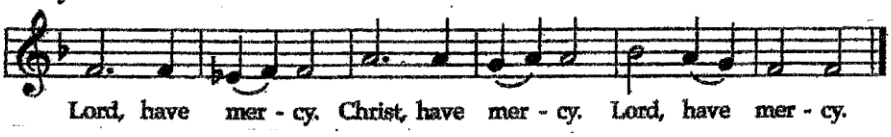
Hymn "Shall We Gather at the River"

Confession and Pardon

Leader: God our Redeemer, we confess that we are people of ashes and dust.
You have claimed us in your covenant, yet we forget your steadfast love.
You seek us out in the wilderness, yet we continue to wander in our sin.
Forgive us, God of grace. Wash us clean, once again, so that we may return to you and follow your holy way.

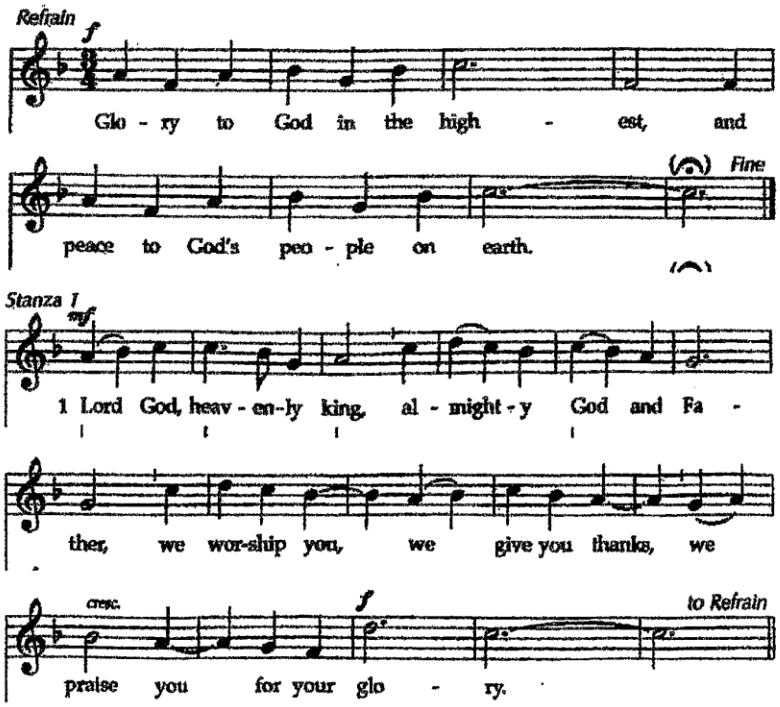
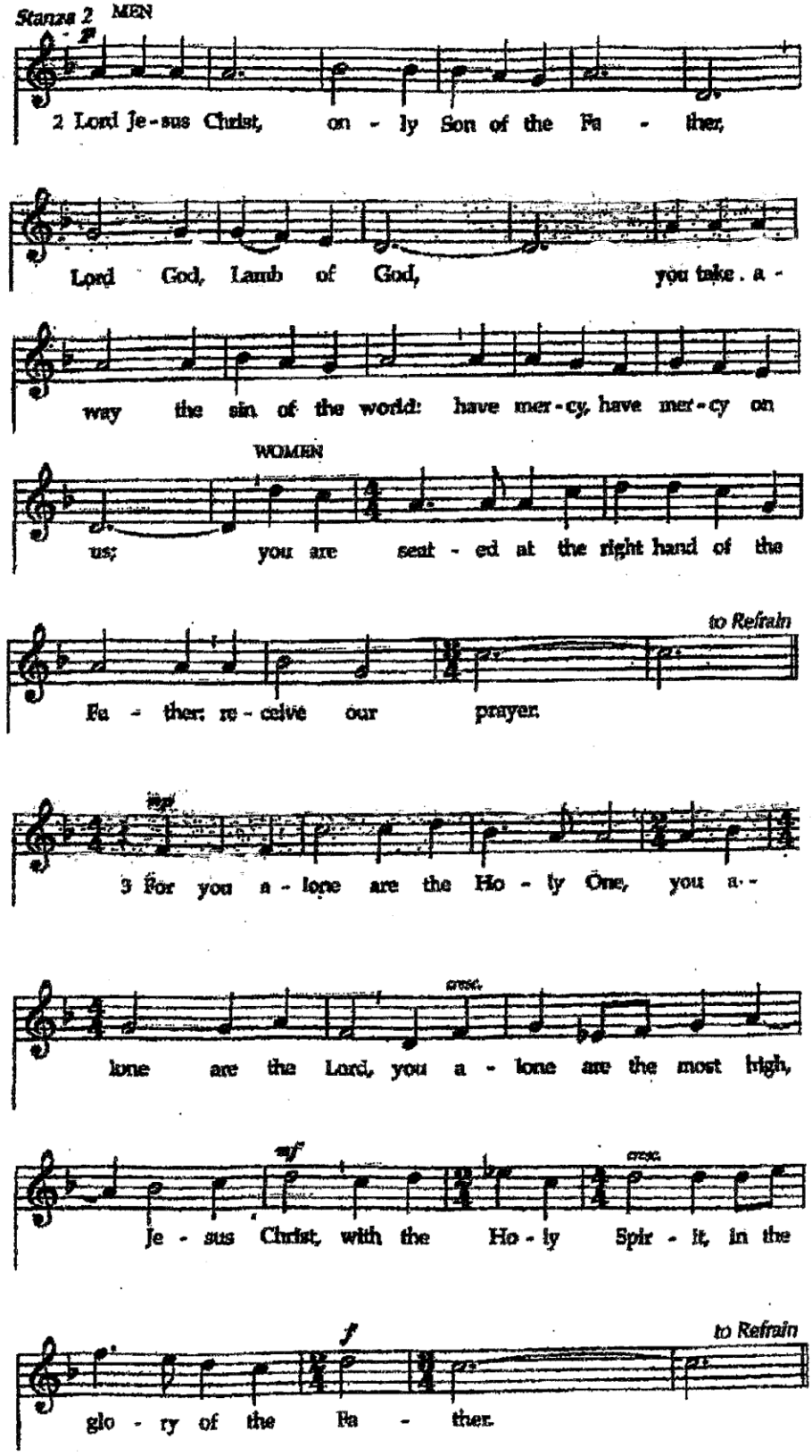
(Please join together for a time of silent prayer.)

Leader: Goodness is stronger than evil;
love is stronger than hate;
light is stronger than darkness;
life is stronger than death;
victory is ours through him who loves us. *-Bishop Desmond Tutu*

Music: Kyrie Eleison



Leader: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.
I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
People: Amen.

Music: Gloria in Excelsis

Stanza 2
MEN
2 Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther,
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-
way the sin of the world: have mer-cy, have mer-cy on
WOMEN
us; you are seat-ed at the right hand of the
to Refrain
Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.
3 For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-
lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the most high,
Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it, in the
glo-ry of the Fa-ther.
to Refrain

Children's Message

Prayer for Illumination

Leader: 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 what you say to us today. Amen.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

Reading: Psalm 46

1 God is our refuge and strength,
a very present[a] help in trouble.
2 Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;
3 though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble with its tumult.Selah
4 There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.
5 God is in the midst of the city;[b] it shall not be moved;
God will help it when the morning dawns.
6 The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter;
he utters his voice, the earth melts.
7 The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our refuge.[c]Selah
8 Come, behold the works of the Lord;
see what desolations he has brought on the earth.
9 He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear;
he burns the shields with fire.
10 "Be still, and know that I am God!
I am exalted among the nations,
I am exalted in the earth."
11 The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Reading: Matthew 26:47-56

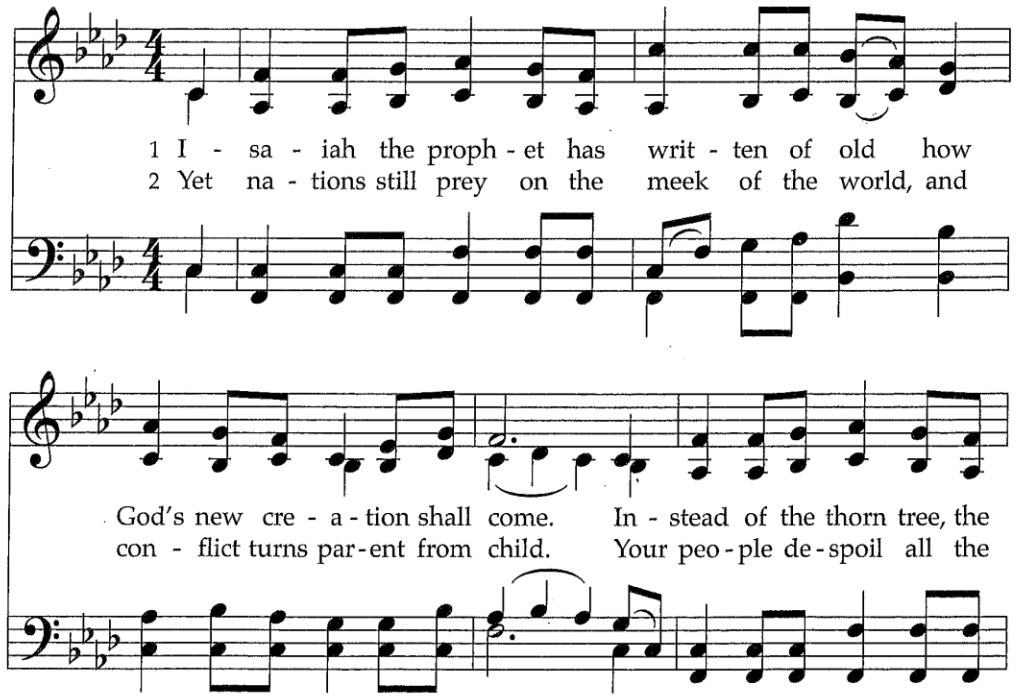
47 While he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; with him was a large crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the elders of the people.
48 Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him."
49 At once he came up to Jesus and said, "Greetings, Rabbi!" and kissed him.
50 Jesus said to him, "Friend, do what you are here to do."

Then they came and laid hands on Jesus and arrested him.
[51] Suddenly, one of those with Jesus put his hand on his sword, drew it, and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear.
[52] Then Jesus said to him, "Put your sword back into its place; for all who take the sword will perish by the sword.
[53] Do you think that I cannot appeal to my Father, and he will at once send me more than twelve legions of angels?
[54] But how then would the scriptures be fulfilled, which say it must happen in this way?"
[55] At that hour Jesus said to the crowds, "Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit?
Day after day I sat in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me.
[56] But all this has taken place, so that the scriptures of the prophets may be fulfilled."
Then all the disciples deserted him and fled.

Leader: We proclaim Christ crucified – the wisdom and power of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem *"Great I Am"* Praise Team

Sermon Rev. Doug Hagler

Hymn "Isaiah the Prophet Has Written of Old"

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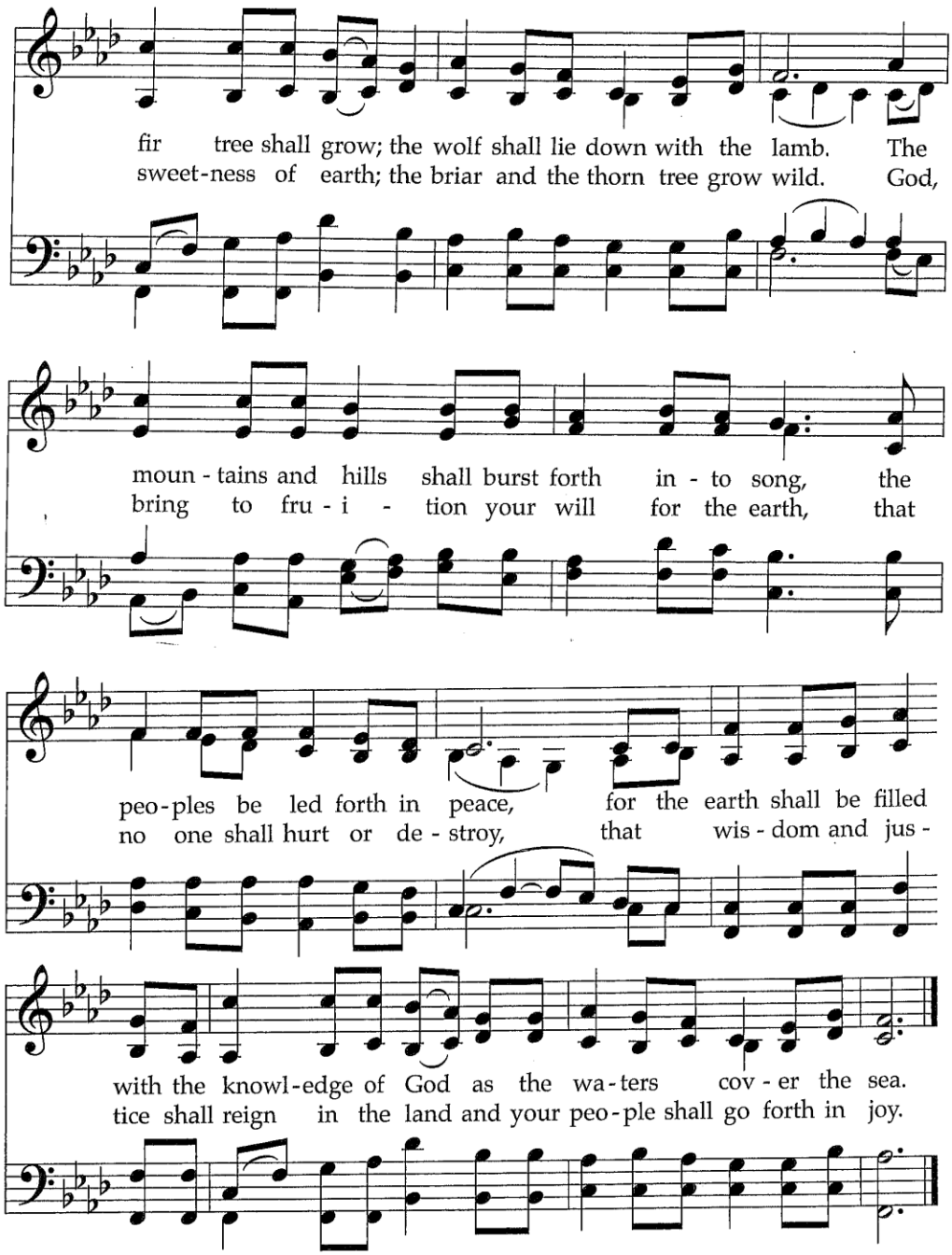
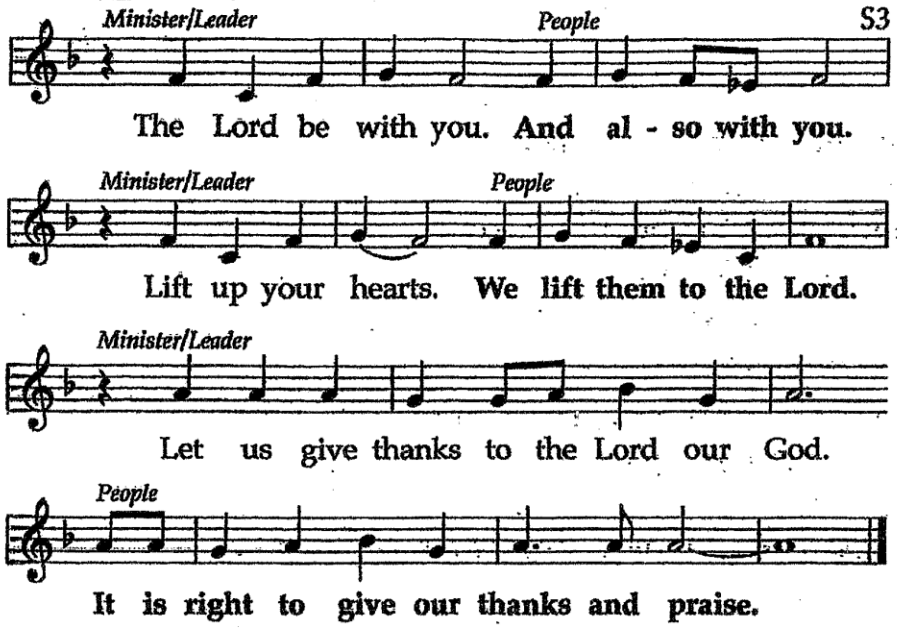

fir tree shall grow; the wolf shall lie down with the lamb. The
sweet-ness of earth; the briar and the thorn tree grow wild. God,
moun - tains and hills shall burst forth in - to song, the
bring to fru - i - tion your will for the earth, that
peo-ples be led forth in peace, for the earth shall be filled
no one shall hurt or de - stroy, that wis - dom and jus -
with the knowl-edge of God as the wa-ters cov - er the sea.
tice shall reign in the land and your peo-ple shall go forth in joy.

Communion

Invitation to the Lord's Table

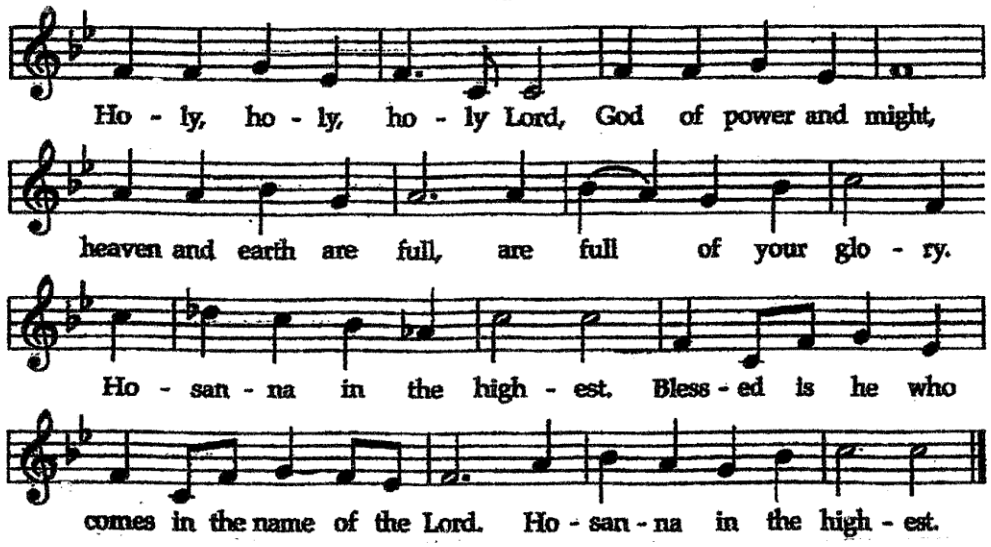
Leader: This is the joyful feast of the people of God!
People will come from north and from south and from east and from west to sit at table in the kingdom of God.

Music: "The Lord be with you."

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving *(unison)* *(Dionysius of Alexandria, died 264 CE)*

God, good beyond all that is good,
fair beyond all that is fair,
in you is calmness, peace and concord.
Heal the dissensions that divide us from one another
and bring us back to the unity of love
bearing some likeness to your divine nature.
Through the embrace of love and the bonds of godly affection,
make us one in the Spirit
by your peace which makes all things peaceful.

(unison) *(Saint Benedict, 480-547 CE)*

O gracious and holy God,
give us wisdom to perceive you, intelligence to understand you,
patience to wait for you, eyes to see you,
a heart to meditate on you, and a life to proclaim you,
through the power of the Spirit of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Music: "Holy, holy, holy"

Words of Institution

Sharing Elements - *This morning we share Communion at a distance. You are invited to partake wherever and whenever you are watching this worship service, using the elements that you have available: some basic food, and some basic drink, taken together in Jesus' name. We trust that through the Spirit, we share in holy Communion with fellow Christians in every time and place.*

Prayer After Communion

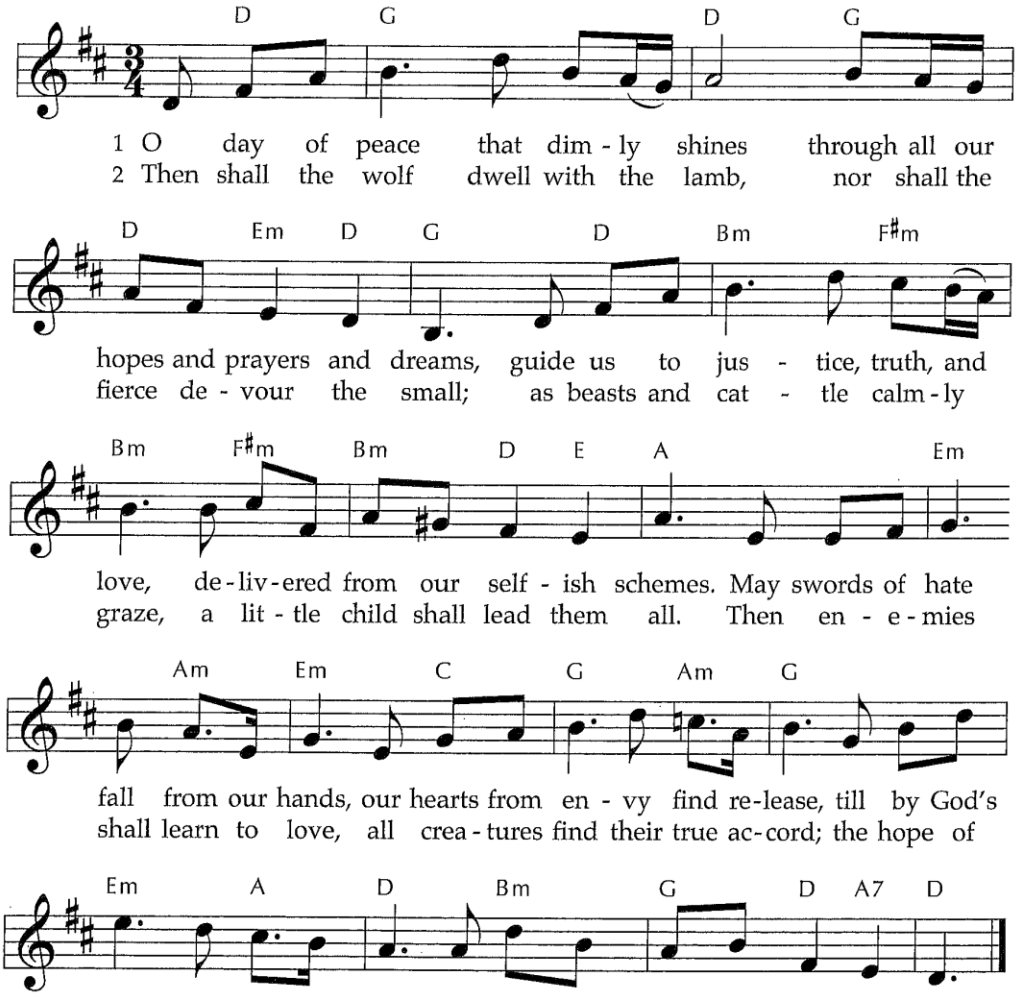
Leader: God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people in every time and place. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

Offering Reminder

Joys & Concerns

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Hymn "O Day of Peace"

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Benediction — Rev. Doug Hagler
Postlude — *"Whom Shall I Fear"* — Praise Team

Daylight Saving Time

It's time to turn your clocks ahead one hour next Saturday night before you go to bed. Daylight saving time begins on Sunday, March 14th.

The Date Is Almost Here!
Popup Fundraiser with Fajitas!

We are hosting a Moe's Neighborhood Popup on Sunday March 14th! The popup will benefit our church. This means you can take a night off from cooking while supporting us! For every kit sold, $10 will be donated to First Presbyterian Church of Phoenixville.

We are offering a **Moe's Family Fajita Kit** with your choice of chicken, ground beef, ½ chicken & ½ ground beef or vegetarian (enough food for 4-6 people). It's a DEAL @ $41.99+tax.

This is a fun, convenient way to have dinner ready to pick up right in the church parking lot and see (from a safe distance) your church family and friends you maybe haven't seen for a while, even if it's just for a minute. Take a much-deserved night off from cooking and order a family night of Fajitas! Show your support!

How to Order:

1. Place your order by 10:00am on Sunday March 14th. Fill out this form to submit your order and payment. https://form.jotform.com/210424757493156

***Be sure to choose "First Pres. Church of Phoenixville 3/14" when choosing the neighborhood you are picking up from.**

2. Pick up will be at 145 Main St, Phoenixville, in the church parking lot, 5:30-6:00pm on Sunday, March 14th. When picking up your order, just stay in your vehicle, give us your name, we will bring your order right to your vehicle and you are on your way.

Lenten Devotional

This year's suggested Lenten Devotional is ***"The Way to Shalom"*** from Presbyterians Today. Engage in this journey to peace and wholeness. Each week will have a new theme covering one of the many definitions of shalom. Discover how to receive this gift and to give it back to the world. Click here to view, download, or print a copy. Hard copies are available in the church office and can be picked up on Wednesdays.

Text Messaging

FPC's **text messaging** service is a great way to get notifications and links for church events sent right to your smart phone. If interested, please text your first and last name to **484-302- 8168**.

March Mission- 31 days of giving- Let's Help Refill PACS Pantry

Phoenixville Area Community Services PACS, aspires to be the lead source for food insecurity in the community and FPC wants to help. During the entire month of March, you can donate nonperishable items to the FPC container in the church office. Questions? Ask Chris Wittrock (610-662-1412)

Here is a list of the most needed food items:

Peanut butter, canned pasta, mac & cheese, jelly/jam, cooking oil, canned meat pasta sauce, syrup, pancake mix, condiments, oatmeal (not instant), butter and margarine, rice, snack foods, baking mixes (with icing), spices/seasonings.

Here are the non-food items needed that CANNOT be purchased with SNAP dollars:

Deodorant, Feminine Products, Pet Food (Cats & Dogs), Dish Soap, Toothpaste, Toilet Paper, Baby Diapers (Sizes 4, 5, 6), Laundry Soap, Shampoo/Conditioner, Paper Towels, Baby Wipes, and cleaning supplies.

Prayer Requests

Joys:

Concerns: Family and friends of Marge Jaques

Prayer Chain & Prayer Requests

To request prayers, you can fill out a card in the worship service, drop a note off in the church office or email Amy at fpcprayerchain1@gmail.com and members will be lifting you up in prayer. You may also call Sue Smith at (610) 933-8816 and she will forward your requests on to Amy. Anyone interested in being a Prayer Warrior should email Amy.

Save the Date

Zoom "Painting with Jackie" Event

Mark your calendars for March 21 for our second "Painting With Jackie" event. Many enjoyed painting with each other several years ago in Fellowship Hall, while Jackie helped us discover talents many of us never knew we had.

We are planning another fun time painting together on Sunday, March 21st at 2:00 pm, only this time Jackie will be guiding us via zoom. This is free event for church members only. All painting supplies will be provided.

To sign up, please use the link emailed to you or contact the church office at 610-933-8816.

Scrip Gift Card Orders

We will be placing orders for gift cards every other Wednesday in March. (March 3 and March 17).
If you would like to place an order, please call Lynne Williams at:
610-415-1581 (home) or 610-955-4749 (cell).
You may mail your check to Lynne or drop it off at her home, (14 Schofield Road, Phoenixville, PA 19460). We will complete the order forms for you.

Orders and checks must be received by the day before the orders are placed (March 2 & March 16). Please make checks payable to "First Presbyterian Church DR". Thank you…Thank you for continuing to support this program!

Joys and Concerns Live

Join Pastor Doug virtually on Sundays at 11:45 a.m. to share some happiness, heartache, or anything in between and lift up each other in spirit. Join Zoom meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87345268002
Meeting ID: 873 4526 8002 One tap mobile +13017158592

Palm Sunday Worship
March 28th at 10:30 am
Maundy Thursday Communion Service
April 1st at 7:30 pm
Easter Sunday Worship
April 4th at 10:30 am

Parish Life Zoom Recap – "Caption This" Night

Garfield, Beatle Bailey and The Peanuts have nothing to fear. It's hard to write cartoons. There were 16 who tried their best to put captions to photos that Maggie had gathered over the years. There were laughs of course, and it was nice to look at pictures of people actually in the church building. Highlights…. who knew we had a synchronized swimming team in the congregation and that we played Simon Says in the sanctuary.

Next week, along with viewing our cartoon creations, it will be joke night, mad libs and brain teasers. We need someone to out joke Jack. Thursday, March 18th is our next installment of FPC Coffee House and there might just be some Irish music.
Ann Miller, Becky Sinapius and Lynne Williams the for Parish Life Committee

Easter Flowers

Now is the time to start thinking about decorating for Easter --- and everyone has a chance to share in it. The Worship and Music Committee would like to encourage everyone to think about ordering a lily or tulip plant that will be used to beautify our worship service on Easter Sunday.

As in the past, you may give an Easter flower in memory of a loved one, to honor a person, or to express appreciation for someone who has played a special part in your life or in the life of the church. Or you may just want to help to make our worship space beautiful for Easter!

The cost for each plant is $8.50.

Please drop off, mail or email your order to the Church office **by March 21st.**
Thank you for your participation! We look forward to seeing a beautiful display on Easter Sunday.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Number of lilies (4 blooms) ordered ($8.50 each) _____

Number of tulips (5 blooms) ordered ($8.50 each) _____

Total cost: $_____

Flowers may be picked up on:
Easter Sunday, April 4th from 12:00n - 1:00pm; or
Wed., April 7th from 9am - 4pm in the office; or
call Ken Brown to make other arrangements. (610-209-1947).
Acknowledgment for bulletin:

Given by: _____

In memory of: _____

_____

In honor of: _____

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In appreciation for: _____

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Appalachia Service Project (ASP)

Did you know FPC is going on a mission trip next summer? We'll be traveling to Appalachia in July to serve families in need of home repair. All are welcome to join! To learn more, contact Sarah Shulman at: sarahsjs14@gmail.com.

Good Works Volunteers

If anyone is interested in volunteering with Good Works, please contact Chris Wittrock to learn about the program and ways you can make a difference in Phoenixville and the surrounding areas. (cwittrock22@gmail.com)
http://www.goodworksinc.org/

One Great Hour of Sharing

As Christians we are called to love one another more deeply by sharing what we have with those in need. One way to answer this call is through our gifts to "One Great Hour of Sharing". This is the single, largest way that Presbyterians come together every year to help our neighbors in need around the world.
A gift to this offering enables the church to share God's love by providing relief to those affected by natural disasters, by providing food to the hungry, and by helping to empower the poor and the oppressed.

During the season of Lent we invite you to give generously to "One Great Hour of Sharing". Envelopes are available in your offering envelope boxes, or you may send a check with OGHS noted in the memo line.

Offerings will be received throughout Lent, with a special dedication on Palm Sunday, March 28.

We may not be together in the sanctuary or in Sunday School, but together we can once again help change the lives of many.
Thank you for your life changing offering.

"We Are" Vigils

Pastor Doug and other community leaders will be hosting vigils in support of Black Lives Matter via Zoom on the first Thursday of the month and 'live' at the corner of Main and Bridge on the third Thursday of the month, both at 7:00 pm. If you would like to join the Zoom vigil, you can contact Pastor Doug or click on the link that is in The Beat.

This Week in the Life of the Church

Sunday, March 7th
11:45 a.m. Joys & Concerns via Zoom link
12:30 p.m. Deacons meeting via Zoom link
Monday, March 8th No events scheduled.
Tuesday, March 9th
6:00 p.m. Staff meeting via Zoom link
7:00 p.m. Personnel Committee meeting via Zoom link
7:00 p.m. Parish Life Committee meeting via Zoom link
Wednesday, March 10th
7:30 p.m. Parish Life Zoom Event
Thursday, March 11th
10:00 a.m. Food ministry (kitchen)
7:30 p.m. Compassionate Friends meeting (parlor)
Friday, March 12th No events scheduled.

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Saturday, March 13th No events scheduled.

Sunday, March 14th

8:30 a.m. Bible study via Zoom link
10:30 a.m. WORSHIP SERVICE – via Youtube channel
11:45 a.m. Joys & Concerns via Zoom link
12:30 p.m. Worship & Music Committee meeting via Zoom link
5:30 p.m. Moe's Dinner Pick Up (Main Street parking lot)
7:00 p.m. Antiracism Book Club via Zoom link

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