



PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH
OF THE ROSES

Reaching Out with Nurturing Love to All



First Sunday of Lent
March 1, 2020 | Worship 10 am

First Time Here? Thank you for coming! Please pick up a Welcome Bag in the narthex. Please join us for coffee and fellowship in Bowen Hall.

Assistance needed?

Large print bulletins and hearing devices are available from the ushers.

Tip for the Service

*Asterisk means please stand if able.

The **BOLD** is spoken by the congregation. Please sign the red friendship pad in the pews and pass.

Children with you?

Activity materials for young worshipers are in the entry way. Childcare and Sunday School are provided during the service.

Questions on where to go?

Please ask the Ushers by the doors.

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE *No. II Zehn Trios Op. 49* Joseph Rheinberger

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT FOR MISSION Spring Fling

INTROIT *Steal Away* Traditional Spiritual

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)

One: Let us start this service by reminding ourselves that we are not here to be passive observers

All: But to worship God with heart, soul, mind and strength

One: That we are not here because of our goodness

All: But rather because of God's grace

One: It is not we who choose Christ

All: But Christ who choose us

All: Let us worship God!

*HYMN #700 *I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me* African Amer. Spiritual

*CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

All: We praise You, Lord God, that Your Way is found, not by travelling an exclusive highway, or in secrets preserved only for some. But in the open fields of love and grace, where all who choose, may come and play.

We praise You, Lord God, that Your Truth is heard, not only in the words of scholars and authors, or in brittle inflexible ideas. But in honest questions and difficult conversations, in the courageous attempts of simple, imperfect people to live lives of integrity.

We praise You, Lord God, that Your Life is discovered, not just in predictable places of beauty and wealth. But in the unexpected generosity and pride of those who have nothing, and in the creativity and risk of trying new things and defending the vulnerable. Amen.

*WORDS OF AFFIRMATION

One: We open ourselves to your call, determined to do what we promise, to follow your way.

All: To embody your truth, to share your life, and to do it with thanksgiving and praise. Amen

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #581 Gloria Patri

CALL FOR OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Have A Talk With God* by Stevie Wonder
performed by Sacred Space Music Team

*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION *Led by The Spirit*
(to the tune of Hymn #13, "The Mighty God with Power Speaks")
Led by the Spirit of our God, we go to fast and pray
With Christ into the wilderness, we join His paschal way
"Rend not your garments, rend your hearts.
Turn back your lives to me."
Thus says our kind and gracious God, whose reign is liberty

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Deuteronomy 11:18-28

This is the word of the Lord! **Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM *He Will Hold Me Fast* M. Merker; arr. Dennis Allen
GATHERING OF THE CHILDREN

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 7:24-29

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word! **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON *The Gatherer* Commissioned Elder, Chris Rhodes

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord be with you

All: And also with you

One: Lift up your hearts

All: We lift them up to the Lord our God

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

One: It is right, and a good and joyful thing. Always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. You created for yourself a world filled with diversity blessed by your breath of life. As the rainbow colors of spring begin to bloom, we see the work of your paint brush upon every face and tree reflect the beauty and diversity of your grace We thank you for bringing us into a community of love, hope, and peace. And so, with all your people on earth in every place where two or more are gathered in your name we praise you saying:

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, god of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

One: Holy are you blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. Your spirit anointed him to preach good news to the poor, to proclaim releases to the captives, and to announce that the time had come when you would save your people. He healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your church, and made

with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit. He prayed that we might be one as he is one with you. Loving God, and he asked that we might be known by the love we have for one another. And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesu we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

All: Christ died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

One: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ that we, together as a new creation.

All: Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy church, all honor and glory are yours, now and forevermore.

(adapted from a prayer by Nathan Decker)

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

HYMN # 527 *Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup* Sing as the elements are passed. *(Please hold the bread until all are served so we may eat together as a church family (all the bread is gluten free.). All of the cups are filled with grape juice. You may drink the cup when it is passed symbolizing your individual relationship with our loving God.)*

COMMUNION PRAYER

All: We thank you, O God, that through Word and Sacrament you have given us your Son, who is the true bread from heaven and food of eternal life. So, strengthen us in your service that our daily living may show our thanks, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *(The Lord's Prayer)*

CHORAL RESPONSE

*HYMN #177 *I Will Come to You (You Are Mine)*

David Haas, 1991

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Postlude #6

William H. Harrison



*The flowers are in honor of Susan Jenkins,
our Rosebud Preschool Director, who will be retiring
at the end of this month.*

*We wish you many years of joy, and we thank you
for your love and dedication to generations of children.*

NEW MEMBER CLASS COMING UP!

Are you interested in becoming a member?

Would you like to learn more about our church?

Contact the office 542.4272 or email ruth@churchoftheroses.org

Sunday, March 8th at 11:15 am. Lunch is provided!



VOYAGERS
MARCH MADNESS
POTATO FEST
Friday Mar. 6 @ 5pm
Bowen Hall
Food, Fun, Games!
Callers will be calling



CUB SCOUTS
PANCAKE
BREAKFAST
Saturday, March 7th



PRAYER REQUESTS: *Please include in your prayers*

- ❖ The family of Laurie Thomas, as they mourn the passing of her son, Eric, on November 11, 2019.
- ❖ The family of Neil Phillipsen, as they mourn his passing in January.
- ❖ The family of Frank Hansen, as they mourn his passing on February 23rd.

Those with health issues

Bill Beaumont	Janice Holmes	Bob Simmons
Bob Bunting	Vivian Mazeski	Jim Taylor Sr.
Patrick Butler	Luu Maxwell	Bob Weber
Peggy Call	Jessica Morse	Helen Wikle
Doreen Cowden	Jeanette Nichols	Betty Witchey-Ryer
Dick Draper	Carolyn Kenworthy	Avery Yudice
Barbara Flannery	Diane Schuler	
Marilyn Hilen	Debbie Seat	

Those serving in our military

Sgt. David A. Dickens, USAF Jason Morse, Coast Guard Lt. Ian Alloway Culver, Lt. Col. David Trowbridge, M.D. is stationed at the Joint Air Force Base Elmendorf-Richardson in Anchorage, Ak and serves as a Cardiologist with the Alaska Native Medical Center, Chris Loranger serving in Afghanistan.

Liturgist: Linda Burille

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 Althea Wright, *Accompanist*
 Chelsea Howard, *Sunday School Teacher*
 Steve Yeager, *Sacred Space Music Director*
 Bajun Mavalwalla II, *Scripter*
 Nico Wycoff, *Audio Tech*
 Eddie Seamans, *Director of Youth Activities*
 Ruth Canniff, *Office Administrator*
 Nancy Morgan, *Finance Administrator*
 Jami Knuthson, *Receptionist*
 Susan Jenkins, *Rosebud Preschool Director*
 Gia Telles, *Custodian*

March 1st - Sunday

10:00 AM Worship
11:15 AM Plan Sacred Space
11:30 AM CPR/AED
3:00 PM Sonoma Dev Ctr Worship
6:00 PM CoDA

March 2nd - World Day of Prayer

7:00 AM MHS Breakfast
9:30 AM Adult Social Club
10:00 AM SEC-K Library
10:30 AM Qi Gong
5:00 PM SEC-D Library
7:00 PM Boy Scouts #135

March 3rd - Tuesday VOTE TODAY!

7:00 AM MHS Breakfast
8:30 AM Buildings and Grounds
10:00 AM PW Coord. Meeting
11:30 AM Health Ministry
12:00 PM Rosebud in Conf. Rm.
12:30 PM Fellowship Com.
1:30 PM Membership Com.
7:00 PM Stephen Ministry

March 4th - Wednesday

7:00 AM MHS Breakfast
9:30 AM Adult Social Club
10:00 AM SEC-J in Library
4:00 PM SEC-S.Bk Library
5:00 PM SEC-D Library
5:30 PM Soup Supper
6:30 PM Lent Study
"Jesus Sees Women"
7:00 PM Women's Al-Anon

March 5th - Thursday

7:00 AM MHS Breakfast
10:15 AM Exploring God Idea RR
10:30 AM SEC-P&J.Bk Library
12:00 PM Noon Prayer
5:00 PM Worship Com.
6:10 PM Bells Practice
7:00 PM A.A.
7:15 PM Choir Practice

March 6th - Friday - Office Closed

7:00 AM MHS Breakfast
11:00 AM SEC-J Library
5 PM VOYAGERS POTATO FEST
7:00 PM Gamblers Anon.
7:00 PM Korean Youth

March 7th - Saturday

6AM Cub Scout Pancake Breakfast
4:00 PM Boomers at Sea Shantey
5:00 PM SACRED SPACE

March 8th Daylight Savings Begins

8:00 AM Korean Worship
9:00 AM Learn Ukulele
10:00 AM Worship
11:15 AM Plan Sacred Space
11:30 AM NEW MEMBER CLASS
3:00 PM Sonoma Dev Ctr Worship
6:00 PM CoDA

JOB OPENING: Council on Aging is looking to hire an energetic and creative program assistant. Mondays & Wednesdays 9:30-2pm at Church of the Roses.
Email Jamie Escoubas if interested at Jescoubas@councilonaging.com