

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Visitor’s Luncheon • Today

We would love to have you join us for a visitor luncheon being hosted downstairs immediately following the morning service today. Didn’t sign up? You are still welcome!

Concert: Dan Forrest’s Requiem for the Living • April 2

Hear Proclamation’s adult and children’s choirs with chamber orchestra perform a Palm Sunday concert of “hope for the hurting” featuring Dan Forrest’s masterwork *Requiem for the Living* as well as orchestral music by Corelli, Elgar, and Vaughan Williams. The concert is free.

Children’s Easter Book • Free

As a gift from the children’s ministry, parents, please feel free to take a copy of the Easter resource *A Jesus Easter* by Barbara Reaoch. For more information, please speak with Emily Woo.

CityTeam • Easter 2023

CityTeam Ministries in Chester, PA needs to supply Easter boxes for underprivileged families in Chester and the surrounding area. They would like monetary donations for hams, turkeys and candy for Easter baskets. Checks made payable to CityTeam not Proclamation and earmarked Easter can be given to Mike Martin, Dominic Mattioni or put in the offering plate. If you want to give a ham, turkey or candy speak to Mike or Dominic. See them if you would like to help pack the boxes or deliver them. Donations need to be here by April 4th.

Spring Youth Retreat • April 21-23

All middle school and high school students are invited to join us for this year’s Spring Youth Retreat. We will be heading to Black Rock Retreat for a fun time outdoors and edifying sessions where we will study God’s Word together. Visit proclamation.org/spring-youth-retreat to register! The cost of the trip is \$150. Sign up today!

Philadelphia Conference on Reformed Theology • April 28-30

Since the inception of the Philadelphia Conference on Reformed Theology in 1974, the spirit of Martin Luther’s stirring claim at the Diet of Worms has animated the ministry. The 2023 gathering of the PCRT will mark the fiftieth conference—half a century of joining the great Reformers by standing on God’s holy, authoritative Word. This year’s speakers include Kevin DeYoung, Geoff Thomas, Rick Phillips, and Jeff Stivason. For more information and to register, visit AllianceNet.org/Here-We-Stand-PCRT50 If you are interested in volunteering for the conference, email Annette (annette@proclamation.org). Volunteers who serve 3 or more hours will receive free attendance!

The diaconal Compassion Committee provides counseling as well as financial and material assistance to those in need, in the spirit of Christ’s compassion to his people and the world. Committee members are Chris Cooper (chair), Jeff Firges, Kathy Gates, Lauren Leisner, Tina Simon, and Virginia Spykerman. Their contact information is in the church directory. If you need help or know someone who does, contact any member of the committee. If you are interested in serving on the committee, contact Chris Cooper. Financial contributions to the Compassion Fund may be made as a designated gift; please designate “Compassion Fund” on your check or with your online donation.

HIM WE PROCLAIM

Proclamation is a Bible-centered, Christ-focused, confessional Presbyterian church serving the western suburbs of Philadelphia. We are convinced the ordinary means of grace—the Word, prayer, sacraments, and fellowship—are the primary means God uses to convert and grow His people into conformity with His Son. Toward that end, we are committed to:

- Expositional preaching of the inerrant Word of God
- Reverent and joyful worship of our glorious Triune God
- Fellowship with God in prayer as we intercede for His kingdom to come
- Redemptive community within the body of Christ
- Cultivating a heart of compassion for the lost in our community and around the world

TEACHING ELDERS

BEN FALCONER Senior Pastor
KEN WENDLAND..... Associate Pastor
JEREMY JOHNSON..... Associate Pastor
KISUP LEE Assistant Pastor of Japanese and Korean Ministry
SOONSANG MOON* Assistant Pastor of Korean Ministry

CHURCH STAFF

DAVE MONEYMAKER..... Church Administrator
HENRY OESTREICH Administrative Assistant
YOSHIE LEE..... Japanese and Korean Administrative Assistant
NATE HOOVER Evening Sexton
RYAN KELLY* Director of Music
PAT TOLBERT*..... Financial Comptroller
VIRGINIA SPYKERMAN* Director of Women’s Ministry
KELLY LEIBENSPERGER*..... Director of Children’s Music
SANDY MARTIN* Director of Handbells
EMILY WOO* Director of Children’s Ministry
JONATHAN HARNLY* Media Services
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DAWN KEMP*..... Bookkeeper
ASAKI NAKAGAWA*..... Accompanist
TOM FOUNTAIN* Daytime Sexton
MIKE SBRACCIA* Daytime Sexton

**part-time*

SESSION ELDERS

BEN FALCONER, *moderator* JEFF KIESEL
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JEREMY JOHNSON KEN WENDLAND
DAVID JOSEPHSON PAUL WIK

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PROCLAMATION

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America

Sunday, March 26th, 2023



MORNING WORSHIP
FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 26th, 2023
10:30 a.m.

Rev. Ben Falconer, *preaching*
Rev. Jeremy Johnson, *assisting*

*You have turned for me my mourning into dancing; you have loosed my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness, that my glory may sing your praise and not be silent.
O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever! — Psalm 30:11-12*

PRELUDE Dr. Ryan Kelly, *organ*

WELCOME Rev. Ben Falconer, *senior pastor*

MISSIONS MOMENT Bob Carlson, *elder*

CHORAL INTROIT Chancel Choir
O Savior of the World
Charles Callahan

O savior of the world, who by thy cross and
precious blood has redeemed us, save us and help us, O Lord.

CALL TO WORSHIP* Hebrews 4:16

INVOCATION*

HYMN N^o 508* Jesus, Lover of My Soul

DECLARATION OF FAITH* Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten
of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of
very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by
whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down
from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary,
and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he
suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the
Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of

* Please stand.

the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living
and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who
proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son
together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we
believe in one holy catholic* and apostolic church; we acknowledge one
baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the
dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen. **Universal*

CONFESSION OF SIN Lamentations 3:25

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Isaiah 43:11, 25

HYMN N^o 520* Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness

*At this time we would encourage you to record your attendance with us in the blue attendance pads.
Visitors, please consider filling out our connect card on the church app.*

OFFERTORY Chancel Choir
Noelle Kelly, *soprano* and Peter Chapin, *baritone*
Asaki Nakagawa, *piano*

Stand By Me
arr. Jewel Taylor Thompson

When the storms of life are raging, stand by me. When the world is
tossing me like a ship upon the sea, thou who rulest wind and water:
Stand by me.

In the midst of tribulation, stand by me. When the hosts of hell assail, and
my strength begins to fail, thou who never lost a battle: Stand by me.

In the midst of faults and failures, stand by me. When I do the best I can
and my friends misunderstand, thou who knowest all about me:
Stand by me.

When I'm growing old and feeble, stand by me. When my life becomes a
burden, and I'm nearing chilly Jordan, O thou Lily of the Valley:
Stand by me. — *Charles A. Tindley*

SCRIPTURE READING Matt Bonner
Matthew 20:1-19, *pg. 825*

*We offer a Children's Church curriculum designed for pre-readers ages 4-6 in Room 147.
Children are welcome to participate at this time in Room 147.*

HYMN* My Song Is Love Unknown

PASTORAL PRAYER

SERMON Rev. Ben Falconer, *senior pastor*
The Birth of Isaac
Genesis 21, *pg. 15*

HYMN N^o 88* With Grateful Heart My Thanks I Bring

BENEDICTION*

POSTLUDE Dr. Ryan Kelly, *organ*

*After the service, take a moment to greet those around you; especially those you may not know.
We want to welcome everyone with the love of Christ and the grace of the Spirit, in the name of the Lord.*

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Matt Bonner will be available to pray with you
at the front right of the sanctuary.

Kathy Gates and Betsy Kotanchik will be available to pray with women
at the front left of the sanctuary.

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Join us tonight at 5:00 p.m. for our evening service.
Prayer, Rebuilding from the Ground Up
Nehemiah 1

MY SONG IS LOVE UNKNOWN

1. My song is love un - known, my Sa - vior's love to
2. He came from his blest throne, sal - va - tion to be -
3. Some-times they strew his way, and his sweet prais-es
4. Here might I stay and sing. No sto-ry so di -

me, love to the love - less shown, that they might
stow, but men made strange, and none the longed for
sing, re - sound-ing all the way ho - san - nas
vine; ne - ver was love, dear King, ne - ver was

love - ly be. O who am I, that
Christ would know. But oh, my Friend, my
to their King. Then "Cru - ci - fy!" is
grief like thine! This is my Friend, in

for my sake my Lord should take frail flesh and die.
Friend in - deed, who at my need his life did spend!
all their breath, and for his death they thirst and cry.
whose sweet praise I all my days could glad - ly spend.