

WORSHIP SERVICE

Northampton Presbyterian Church



Eighth Sunday After the Epiphany
March 2, 2025
10:00 AM

PRELUDE Lenten Supplication

D. Lasky

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Andy Chen

• THERE WILL BE NO ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE MARCH 5 AT NPC. PLEASE CONSIDER VISITING ANOTHER AREA CHURCH THAT EVENING.

UNISON CALL TO WORSHIP

Reveal your presence to us this day, O God of light, love, and glory. As you did to your servants at the foot of the mountain, send your Spirit to show us your story. May the brilliance of your face illumine this place as we dare to proclaim your Word and may we, your people, be never unable to tell all of what we have heard.

Hymn #630: Fairest Lord Jesus

1. Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature, O thou of God to earth
come down, thee will I cherish, thee will I honor, thou, my soul's
glory, joy, and crown.

2. Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands, robed in the blooming garb of spring. Jesus is fairer; Jesus is purer, who makes the woeful heart to sing.

3. Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight, and all the twinkling, starry host. Jesus shines brighter; Jesus shines purer, than all the angels heaven can boast.

4. Beautiful Savior, Ruler of the nations, Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine!

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, when you call us to hope and to act with great boldness, we tremble at your presence and cover our eyes. We are afraid of what we will see, for your greatness unveils our weakness, your justice unveils our brokenness, and your holiness unveils our stained past. O Lord, hear our prayer. Giver of all grace, forgive us our sins. Give us the strength to renounce that which hides you from us. Give us the wisdom to execute justice and righteousness. Give us the courage to uncover our hearts that we might see the grace of your Son and not lose heart. Amen.

We pause for a moment of silent, personal confession.

RESPONSIVE ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

ONE: Friends, hear the Good News of the Gospel: the brilliance of Christ's presence before us outshines the darkness of our sin. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

MANY: Alleluia! Amen!

Hymn #582: Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

1. Glory to God whose goodness shines on me
And to the Son whose grace has pardoned me
And to the Spirit whose love has set me free
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, Amen!

2. World without end, without end, Amen! (x3)
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, Amen!

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Exodus 34:29-35

NEW TESTAMENT READING: Luke 9:28-36

SERMON: Rev. Megan LeCluyse

Hymn #288: Spirit of the Living God (sing two times)

Spirit of the Living God, Fall afresh on me,
Spirit of the Living God, Fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the Living God, Fall afresh on me.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

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OFFERATORY ANTHEM:

From the Ashes



Stewart / Larson

SERVICE OF COMMUNION

Invitation

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Elements

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Sung)

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 #12: Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

1. Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

2. Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might:
thy justice, like mountains high soaring above;
thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

3. To all, life thou givest, to both great and small.
In all life thou livest, the true life of all.
We blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree,
then wither and perish; but naught changeth thee.

4. Thou reignest in glory; thou dwellest in light.
Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight.
All praise we would render; O help us to see
'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee!

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: God, the Almighty

G. Davidson

WORSHIP NOTES:

Reverend Megan LeCluyse serves as the Campus Minister and Director of the Christian Association at the University of Pennsylvania. She began working there in August 2012, and has enjoyed getting to work with many student over the past 13 years. She is also excited to have her first book being published later this year, which is a book to help college students process the college experience through a faith lens. She lives near the Italian Market with her sister and their dog, Penny, and enjoys running, reading, and going on adventures big and small!

WORSHIP NOTES (cont'd):

We thank **Andy Chen** for serving as our liturgist this morning.

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