

## Announcements

- Children and youth are invited remain in the sanctuary for worship today as we celebrate Confirmation. We also have a hugging room at the back of the sanctuary for parents with young children to use as desired.
- Questers, Women's Bible Study meets Monday March 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. in the Common Room. We will be studying Chapter 6 entitled "Sabbath and Hospitality." We welcome any interested women to join us. Questions? Call Marilyn Gross 805-451-5879
- Coffee and Conversation with Pastor Jim. Tuesdays at 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. in Jim's office. All are welcome to come.
- GPC Outsiders: Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. in the Church backyard. Contact Ernie Tamminga for more information.
- GPC Garden Workday: Saturday, March 25, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Bring your clippers, gloves, a hat, and sunscreen. Questions? Call Deb Artz, (805) 895-8340.
- Toddler Time, every Friday in the courtyard at 10:00 a.m. for children 0-5 years and a caregiver. If you would like to volunteer, we would love your help. We will have a special Easter Toddler Time class on April 7<sup>th</sup>.
- You are invited to donate Easter candy for GPC Easter Sunday and Toddler Time Easter egg hunts! We are also collecting candy and Easter basket supplies for Transition House Easter Baskets, for children of all ages.
- Holy Week Services: Maundy Thursday Soup and Bread Supper and Worship at 6 p.m., Good Friday Worship at noon, Easter Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

## GOLETA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**MARCH 12, 2023**

**THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT**

**PRELUDE** Variations on "How Firm A Foundation" Janet Linker

**ACOLYTES** Everett Pazan & Dahlia Terebessey

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** Rev. Jim Pazan

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** *from Psalm 95* Everett Pazan

Leader: O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

**People: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;**

Leader: let us make a joyful noise to God with songs of praise!

**People: For the Lord is a great God and a great King above all gods.**

Leader: O come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

**People: For the LORD is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE #267** "All Things Bright and Beautiful"

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** Lillian Joiner

**Holy and righteous God, humbly we come to you asking for your forgiveness. Too often, we find ourselves chasing after frivolous things, worrying about tomorrow, and acting as if the promises within your Word aren't true. We place our trust in what we can touch and see, even though we know those things will not last. Give us faith and courage to put our hope and trust in you. You alone are God and provide everything we could ever need. Be glorified in our lives, we pray. Amen.**

\*please rise in body or spirit

## ASSURANCE OF GRACE

Leader: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. Hear the good news: anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life is gone; a new life has begun. When we turn from our sin and trust in the mercy of God through Jesus Christ, we are assured of the good news of the gospel that together we proclaim:

**People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen.**

**ANTHEM** "Prayer of St. Francis" Allen Pote

**PEACE OF CHRIST** Elsa Terebessy

Leader: May the Peace of Christ Be With You

**People: And also with you**

**\*HYMN OF PREPARATION #372** "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION** Angelia Pagliaro

**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.**

## SCRIPTURE READING

**Psalms 118:1-6** Ila Fails

**Romans 8:31-39** Rev. Jim Pazan

**MESSAGE** "At Home in Christ" Rev. Jim Pazan

**HYMN OF RESPONSE #356** "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

## THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Ila Fails, Orin Fails, Angelia Pagliaro, Elsa Terebessy, Dahlia Terebessy

## CONFIRMING OUR STUDENTS

Ila Fails, Lillian Joiner, Angelia Pagliaro,

Everett Pazan, Dahlia Terebessy, Elsa Terebessy

**OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD** "Wondrous Love" Michael Burkhardt

**\*DOXOLOGY** *Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;*

*Praise Him, all creatures here below;*

*Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;*

*Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.*

**\*CLOSING HYMN #525** "Here I Am, Lord"

**\*BENEDICTION** Rev. Jim Pazan

**Postlude** "How Firm A Foundation" Donald Hustad

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\*please rise in body or spirit