



Beulah Presbyterian Church

March 23, 2025, 9 a.m.

3rd Sunday in Lent

Traditional Worship

Prelude

Ich ruf zu dir, Herr Jesu Christ (I call to You, Lord Jesus Christ)

Bill Larson

J. S. Bach

Welcome and Announcements

This is the day the Lord has made:

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Introit

O Hear Our Cry, O Lord

The Sanctuary Choir

VINEYARD HAVEN

***Call to Worship**

Barbara K. Lundblad in

The Abingdon Women's Preaching Annual

Mothering God, you gave us birth.

In the bright morning of this world.

Mothering Christ, you took my form.

Your very body for my eternal peace.

Mothering Spirit, you hold me close.

So that my faith can root and grow.

Until I see you face to face,

Until I know as I am known.

***Hymn of Praise**

The Glory of These Forty Days

Hymn no. 87

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Barbara K. Lundblad in

The Abingdon Women's Preaching Annual

O God whose loving knows no ending, still you long to gather us under your wings.

For the words of hatred we have spoken and the words of love we have withheld:

O God, forgive us and gather us under your wings of mercy.

For the walls we have built up and the barriers we have refused to take down,

O God, forgive us and gather us under your wings of mercy.

For the greed which makes us frantic and the gifts we pass by without seeing,

O God, forgive us and gather us under your wings of mercy.

For what we have done and for what we have left undone,

O God, forgive us and gather us under your wings of mercy.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

***The Peace of Christ**

The Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

***Gloria Patri**

Hymn no. 579

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Lesson

Psalm 131

Bible, page 500 (NRSV)

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Anthem

The Sanctuary Choir

Lamb of God, What Wondrous Love

Gabriel Faure, arr. A. R. Petker

Lamb of God, what wondrous love, o my soul.

Guilty and condemned, thy death is surely mine.

Love, such love, that thou for me shouldst die.

Cross of God, I would to turn away,
Yet love it bids me stay, o my soul.

Lord of grace, what matchless love, o my soul.

Can it be the very death I fear

Son of God, thou loving sacrifice for me.

Is that which draws me near, Lord, to thee?

Here, o Lord, am I, fearful, sinful, man,

Lamb of God, thou died for me.

New Testament Lesson

Galatians 5:22-23

Bible, page 948 (NRSV)

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Children's Moment**Sermon**

Drew Perdue

"Motherly God"

***Hymn**

We Are Your People

Hymn no. 436

***Affirmation of Faith**

A Brief Statement of Faith 11.3

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, siblings of every race and people, to live as one community. Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation. In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offertory

At the Name of Jesus

KING'S WESTON, arr. Robert J. Powell

***Doxology**

Hymn no. 592

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Dedication**Sending Hymn**

Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

Hymn no. 345

Verses 1 - 4

***Charge and Benediction**

***Congregational Response**

Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

Hymn no. 345

Verse 5

Postlude

Toccata in A minor

Bill Larson

Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck

Stay in Touch with Beulah!

Office Hours

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday
12 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday

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www.BeulahPresby.org

Weekly Email Newsletter

Check out our weekly email newsletter! Email
sjohnson@beulahpresby.org
to be added to our email list!

Pray and Encourage One Another

Prayer is an expression of our dependence upon God and our interdependence on one another.

Please remember these specific people this week and consider sending an encouraging note or card.

Submit prayer requests to prayerchain@beulahpresby.org



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Today at Beulah

Join us after worship today for Education Hour classes for all ages at 10:15 am!

Adults - Fellowship Hall; Teens - 102; Children & Toddlers - 108; Mom's Group -
Fireside

Worshipping with Children



Children's Moment: Children ages 3 through 5th grade are invited to participate in an age-appropriate Bible lesson following the NT reading with Mr. Joshua. Should they choose, following the moment they will be escorted to the Library for a Knowing Place lesson with our trained facilitators. They will return to the sanctuary to worship with their families following the sermon.

Calming Corner: A parent-supervised Calming Corner is available in the back of the sanctuary for children needing a brief pause before returning to worship. This space is reserved for children (0-4 years old) with their parents. Children with neurodivergent needs or temporarily in need of behavioral or emotional support are welcome to use this space also.



Earth Day is Coming and We are Getting Ready

Here's what we have planned, so be sure you make time to join us.



- ◇ In partnership with our Preschool families we are creating a pollinator garden along the window wall across from the playground. Our children will have a great view of all the goings on in the garden and learn how pollinators do what they do and what plants they love. **Here's where you come in!** Adopt a plant (or several) for our garden, \$5 each. When the weather is conducive and the plants are ready, we'll plant them for you or you can join us on one of our planting days (probably late May). Sale dates: March 30, April 6, April 27.
- ◇ Remember that time we planted hundreds of trees on our campus?!? Each year we take inventory and give them a bit of TLC and that's what we are doing on Family Night on **April 23. No idea how to take care of a tree? NO PROBLEM!** Our dedicated Earth Care Team will be on hand to lead teams of helpers and walk you through the process. Plus, you get a delicious dinner, so it's a win/win!
- ◇ **April 27 Mary Kapral Wonders of Nature Slide Show:** Did you know our dear Mary is a talented photographer? She loves to get up close and personal and this will be a treat you do not want to miss. Who doesn't want to see a bumble bee bum covered in pollen? **MGB Fellowship Hall between services, be there!**

Special Lenten Offering



We previously announced two mission trip for 2025 but some things have changed.

We are still returning to Spruce Pine, NC for hurricane Helene relief. We have nine people who left this morning for the trip.

We had announced the trip to Malawi but due to logistical reasons we are going to delay the trip for this May for a TBD date in the future. This will still be our first trip back to visit Malawi and our sister church in Migowi since 2017.

We pray that you will continue to give for both opportunities. Please help us be the hands and feet of Jesus out in the world. When you make a donation for the Lenten offering, please mark "Lenten Offering" on the check memo line.



Discover the Joy of Easter

Get ready for an afternoon of fun and wonder at Beulah's annual Community Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 12, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. This event is packed with engaging activities for the whole family, including a unique puppet show titled "Before the Miracle: Navigating Emotions," creative face painting, and bag decorating, all leading up to the much-anticipated egg hunt for children up to 5th grade.



Doors open at 2:00 p.m. for registration, all children must be registered to participate. This event is open to the public, and we encourage everyone to bring their Easter baskets and join us for a day of celebration and community spirit. Refreshments will be provided, and each participant will leave with a swag bag filled with goodies.

For more information or to volunteer, please reach out to Joshua Brim-Simpson at jsimpson@beulahpresby.org or call 412-242-4570.

Let's Go Getaway



You all know the saying around here: Let's Go! Well, we are going to go! We're inviting the whole church to a brand new event called the Let's Go Getaway! From May 2-4, we'll be getting out in to our community with worship sessions at First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood and St. James

Episcopal in Penn Hills. On Saturday, we have a host of mission opportunities for you to plug in to, as well as some recreational fun. Then on Sunday, we'll gather back here at Beulah for a combined worship service, and if the weather plays nice we'll even do it outside! We need to have some pretty specific numbers, so we're asking that everybody sign up by *April 27* at the latest! The cost for the Friday & Saturday event is \$25/person (there is no charge if you can only attend on Sunday). You can sign up online by visiting the church website, or by filling out a form in the Narthex. If you have any questions, please see J! And then...LET'S GO!



Beulah Golf League

The Beulah Golf league announces another year of spirited, hard fought, competitive play. WAIT, WAIT, that's not us; we are just the opposite, We offer a relaxing and enjoyable 9 hole round of golf every Monday evening through the summer at 3 Lakes Golf Course in Penn Hills.



Starting April 14 through September, we tee off at 5:10, 5:20, and, if we have enough golfers, 5:30. 3 Lakes has been a very good and accommodating venue for us for the past 4 years. There are a number of payment options available.

We have some golfers who are regulars and there every week. Some who are more part time. But, all are welcome to play with the group. If you are interested in playing with us, or just want more information, please call or text Chris Longwill at 412-609-4813.



New Photo Directory

Time's running out to be included in our new directory! Photos will be taken April 3 - 5. Sign up online or at the table in the Narthex on Sunday mornings!

This Week at Beulah

Monday, March 24

3:00 pm EEYM Afterschool - 102

Tuesday, March 25

10:30 am Staff Meeting - 206

3:00 pm EEYM Afterschool - 102

5:30 pm Exceptional Friends - Fellowship Hall

6:30 pm Deacons Meeting - 209

Wednesday, March 26

1:00 pm Midweek Bible Study - Fireside

3:00 pm EEYM Afterschool - 102

5:15 pm Family Night Dinner - Fellowship Hall

6:00 pm Adult Bible Study - Fireside

6:00 pm East End Youth Group - 102

6:00 pm Children's Group - 108

Wednesday, March 26 (continued...)

6:00 pm Choir Rehearsal - 109A

6:00 pm McCrady Road - Sanctuary

7:30 pm Men's Group - 102

Thursday, March 27

9:00 am Women's Bible Study - Fireside

1:00 pm Chancel Bells - 109A

2:00 pm Embellishments - 109A

Friday, March 28

5:00 pm Skip Gillis Memorial Spaghetti Dinner

Sunday, March 30

9:00 am Traditional Worship - Sanctuary

10:15 am Education Hour

11:15 am Contemporary Worship - Sanctuary

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