

First Presbyterian Church

Holy Monday Service March 25, 2024

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

WELCOME

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 36

One: Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens.

**All: Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains,
O God!**

One: All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

**All: With you is the fountain of life;
in your light we see light.**

*HYMN 215

What Wondrous Love is This

see insert

PRAYER OF THE DAY

OFFERING

given to United Way of South Central Kentucky

OFFERTORY MUSIC

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

GOSPEL READING

John 12:1-11

HOMILY

Rev. Jera Tidball

CHARGE

**for portions marked with an asterisk,
you are invited to rise in body or spirit*

Thank you for joining us in worship today. Today's offering goes to United Way of South Central Kentucky.

Visit unitedway.org or facebook.com/UWSCKY

to learn more about the work this organization is doing in our community.

John 12:1-11

¹ Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. ² There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those reclining with him. ³ Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus's feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. ⁴ But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, ⁵ "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" ⁶ (He said this not because he cared about the poor but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) ⁷ Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. ⁸ You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

⁹ When the great crowd of the Jews learned that he was there, they came not only because of Jesus but also to see Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. ¹⁰ So the chief priests planned to put Lazarus to death as well, ¹¹ since it was on account of him that many of the Jews were deserting and were believing in Jesus.

*Scripture verses taken from
the New Revised Standard Version Updated Edition*

First Presbyterian Church Holy Week Services

March 28: Maundy Thursday, 6:00 PM

March 29: Seven Last Words Combined Choir Concert at First United Methodist Church, 6:00 PM

March 31: Sunrise Service, 7:30 AM
(Somerset Cemetery, 511 W Columbia St.)
Pancake Breakfast, 8:00 AM
Easter Celebration, 11:00 AM

Lake Cumberland Church of the Nazarene Holy Week Services

March 31: Easter Celebration, 10:45 AM

Holy Week Ecumenical Services

March 25th to March 29th, 2024 at Noon
Lunch at 12:30 PM

MONDAY MARCH 25th

First Presbyterian Church - 200 North Vine Street
Rev. Jera Tidball of Lake Cumberland Church of the Nazarene speaking
Offering given to United Way of South Central Kentucky

TUESDAY, MARCH 26th

First Christian Church - 1115 KY 39
Rev. Yusef Franklin of South Maple Street Baptist Church speaking
Offering given to Bethany House

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27th

Saint Mildred Catholic Church - 203 South Central Avenue
Mo. Chris Brannock of Saint Patrick Episcopal Church speaking
Offering given to Help the Homeless

THURSDAY, MARCH 28th

New Beginnings Worship Center - 1335 Thurman Road
Pastor Danny Rowland of Pleasant Hill Baptist Church speaking
Offering given to God's Food Pantry

FRIDAY, MARCH 29th

First United Methodist Church - 99 South Central Avenue
Pastor Eric Barnes of Trinity Fellowship Church speaking
Offering given to Pulaski Emergency Relief Ministry

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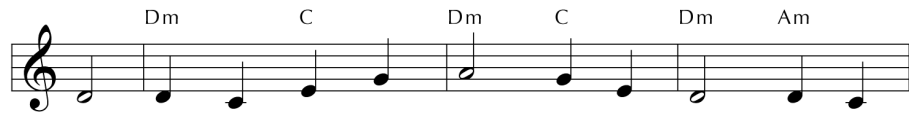
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People of God, Welcome!

May Christ's peace and presence fill your heart as you worship this day, and may you go forth with the light and love of God shining within you.

We welcome you to worship, and ask that any electronic devices be placed on silent so that all may hear what God has to say.

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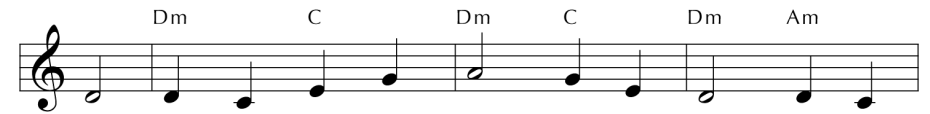
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