We welcome The Rev. Jill Patterson Tolbert back to the pulpit this morning. Rev. Tolbert was born and raised in Dublin, Georgia, and has been active in PCUSA congregations her entire life as an ordained deacon, a ruling elder, and now a teaching elder. She is graduate of Mercer University and Columbia Theological Seminary. She has served in both campus and parish ministry roles, has written for the denominational adult study curriculum, The Present Word, and for At This Point, an online journal published by Columbia Theological Seminary. Jill is currently serving in a validated ministry role as a high school math teacher at North Caroline High School in Ridgely, MD.

In her spare time, Jill enjoys cooking, travel, and exploring nature. She and her husband Joel, pastor of Presbyterian Church of Chestertown, have three sons: Adam (27), Daniel (25), and Michael (23).

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THE SESSION

Moderator: Clerk of Session: Sandra Borror Class of 2023 Class of 2024 Class of 2025 Kristin Armstrong Sandra Borror John Danzeisen Reed Coats Ed Nass Patricia Dewey Scott Firment Patrick Lannor Michael Wright

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Chair: Reed Coats Second Elder: Dave Robertson Member-at-Large: Nancy Day

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> Presbytery Delegates: Sean Kennedy Sandra Borro

In Case of emergency, an AED Unit is located in the hallway on the ground floor near the nursery



March 27, 2022 Fourth Sunday in Lent



March 27, 2022 10:00 AM

*Please stand in body or in spirit

WE APPROACH GOD

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Choral Introit Bless the Lord, My Soul

J. Berthier

* Call to Worship (Please stand and join responsively)

Adapted from Psalm 46

One: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

All: Therefore we will not fear, though the earth shakes and trembles.

One: Be still and know that God is indeed God.

All: Exalted among the nations and in the earth.

One: The Lord of hosts is with us.

All: The God of Jacob is our refuge.

* Hymn No. 373

O Day of Peace

Jerusalem

God, our rock and refuge, there are plenty of things that we allow to erode our faith in you. When life gets stormy, we let our uncertainty cloud our trust in you. We think we know better and start relying on ourselves to be able to weather the rain. Forgive our lack of hope and the disbelief that drowns us. Allow us to hold on to you, our rock, and to build our lives on the foundation of your love. In the name of Jesus Christ, our stalwart and our shelter. Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon (Please join responsively)

One: Who is in a position to condemn?

All: Only Christ. And Christ died for us. Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, and Christ prays for us. Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.

What was has been washed away, and new life begins!

One: Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel and know that in Jesus Christ, we are all forgiven!

Choral Response Lord, Have Mercy

W. A. Mozart

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination (The congregation uniting)

Open our hearts and minds God, that the words we hear this day might be the words you would have us to hear, in this place and for this time. Amen.

Scripture Readings Psalm 46 O.T. pg. 480

Colossians 1: 11-20 N.T. pg. 176

One: Holy Wisdom. All: Holy Word

Anthem Blessed Is the One C. Courtney

Parable Time Candace Smith

Sermon Be Still & Know The Rev. Jill Patterson Tolbert

WE RESPOND TO GOD

* Hymn No. 819 (v. 1, 2) Be Still, My Soul Finlandia

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer (Forgive us our sins...)

Ritual of Friendship

The Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

* Doxology No. 606 Praise God, from *Old Hundredth*

Whom All Blessings Flow

* Prayer of Dedication (*The congregation uniting*)

Eternal God, may our offerings extend the work of your church into the beautiful world which you have made. Amen.

* Hymn No. 321 (v. 1, 4, 5) The Church's One Foundation Aurelia

* Charge and Benediction

Choral Benediction May the Grace of God

H. Bright

Postlude



Participants in Today's Service:
The Rev. Jill Patterson Tolbert, Guest Pastor
Owen Coats, Liturgist
Donna Beech, Pianist/Organist

The flowers on the retable are dedicated to the Glory of God.

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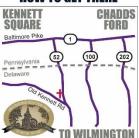


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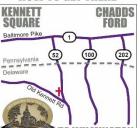
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