

First Presbyterian Church of Martinsville



January 23, 2022

Worship 10:00 am

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The Worship of God

Third Sunday after Epiphany

Gathering

The Call of the Carillon

May the carillon bells call us to gather in the sanctuary, entering into a time of silent preparation to encounter the Living God.

Prelude

Adagio from Sonata 4

Felix Mendelssohn

Preparing to Hear the Word

Welcome

Dr. Gary Kornell

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship (Psalm 36:5-7)

Mike Stiver

Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens,
Your faithfulness to the clouds.

Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains,

Your judgments are like the great deep.

How precious is your steadfast love, O God!

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

• Hymn of Praise

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

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Prayer of Confession

Lord, we believe in you; help our unbelief.

Lord, we love you; yet not with perfect hearts.

Lord, we long for you; yet not with our full strength.

Lord, we trust in you; yet not with our whole selves.

O Lord, our Christ, may we have your mind and your spirit.

Renew us from our sinful selves

that we might become new men and new women,

according to your will and for the sake of your glory.

Amen.

Silent Prayer

Kyrie

Lord_ have mer - cy, Christ have mer - cy, Lord have mer - cy on us.

WORDS: Kyrie eleison
MUSIC: Jacques Berthier, 1982

DOMINE DEUS



Assurance of Pardon

Who is in a position to condemn...our sins are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

♦ *Gloria Patri*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Passing of the Peace

The Word

Prayer for Illumination

Mike Stiver

First Scripture Reading

Jeremiah 17: 5-10

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Special Music

Fairest Lord Jesus

Silesian Folk Melody, arr. Martin How

Children's Message

Susie Russell

Second Scripture Reading

I Corinthians 15: 12-26

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Sermon

"A Meditation on Finitude"

Dr. Gary Kornell

Responding to the Word

♦ **Affirmation of Faith ~ The Apostles' Creed** (Ecumenical)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

**And in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,
Suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended to the dead; On the third day he rose again;
He ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
And he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic Church,
The communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
The resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Call for the Offering

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Sending

Benediction

Benediction Response

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

1 Precious Lord, take my hand; lead me on, help me stand; I am tired, I am
 weak, I am worn. Through the storm, through the night, lead me
 on to the light; take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

Postlude

Chorale Fantasy

Helmut Walcha

(During the postlude, you are invited to remain seated or to quietly make your way to Assembly Hall, allowing others to continue their worship.)

♦ All who are able, please stand



Dr. Gary Kornell, Guest Pastor
 Kira Garvie, Music Director / Organist
 Anna Ambartsumian, Joseph Canter, and Cecelia Fornuto / Soloists