OLD NORTH CHURCH

DIVINE WORSHIP LENT I

FEBRUARY 18, 2024 9:30 A.M.

ORGAN PRELUDE "The March Of The Wise Men" Harvey Gaul

"A Lovely Rose Is Blooming" Johannes Brahms

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Scott Benell

*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 98

LEADER: Shout with joy to God, all the earth!

ALL: Say to God, how awesome are your deeds!

LEADER: Sing the glory of his name; **ALL: Make his praise glorious!**

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ALL: How awesome are you deeds!

*HYMN #21 "How Great Thou Art" O Store Gud

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Seated)

Psalm 55

LEADER: The Psalmist calls us to confession this morning.

"I call out to God, and the Lord saves me. Evening, morning, and noon, I cry out in distress, and he hears my voice. He ransoms me unharmed from the battle being waged against me."

Let us pray.

ALL: Holy Lord, who always seeks the welfare of his children, help us. We have sinned and tarnished your image in us. We are deeply sorry for hurtful words, and unkind gestures, for neglecting your law, and for following our own way. Bring us back into your light and show us the way. Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON (sung)

Lord, have mercy upon us, Christ have mercy upon us, Lord have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS:

Psalm 111

LEADER: Hear God's merciful words of forgiveness.

"Praise awaits you, O God, in Zion; to you our vows will be fulfilled. O you who hear prayer, to you all men will come. When we were overwhelmed by sins, you forgave our transgressions."

In the name of this most gracious God, I declare us a forgiven people.

ALL: Thanks be to God!

*GLORIA PATRI #805

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.

*SALUTATION AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

LEADER: Grace to you and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. May the peace of the Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

*HYMN #342 "How Blest Are They Who, Fearing God" St. Anne

A TIME FOR OUR YOUTH Children proceed to Sunday School following the message.

SCRIPTURE Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7 Romans 5:12-19

SERMON HYMN #227 "Rock of Ages" Toplady

PRAYER FOR THE INSPIRATION OF THE WORD

SERMON "Snakes In the Garden"

*APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father almighty, from thence He shall 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 life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

OFFERTORY "We Three Kings Of Orient Are" Raymond Haan

*DOXOLOGY

"Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen."

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

*HYMN #523 "Trust and Obey" Trust And Obey

PASTORAL BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Caroling, Caroling" Alfred Burt

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*Please rise, in body or in spirit. **Bold words indicate unison participation.**

Welcome to Old North. We are pleased you chose to worship with us today!

Please fill out a welcome card if you would like us to have a record of your visit, more information about Old North, or wish to be contacted by the Pastor.

Prayer Requests: If you have a prayer request this morning, please fill out the Prayer Request section of the welcome card located in the pew and place it in the offering plate.

THE CONSISTORY OF OLD NORTH

ELDERS: Jon Babicz, Scott Benell, Karen DiBella, Carol Sushko,
DEACONS: Tim Frohlich, Rene Gallagher Brianna Polbos, Richard Schmude,
Interim Minister: The Rev. Linden DeBie
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Welcome to worship at Old North Reformed Church!

If you would like to be added to our mailing list, please leave your contact information in the guest book in the entrance to the sanctuary before leaving today.

We encourage you to keep this copy of the bulletin and take it home to share with a family member or with a friend. The service can be experienced anytime online via Old North's YouTube channel or Facebook page.



Traditionally on this First Sunday of Lent the Gospel speaks of the temptations of Jesus in the desert. Jesus has just completed his forty days of preparation in the desert and he now faces one more test before he begins his mission.

Prayer Chain: If you wish to add the power of prayer in times of celebration, healing, or transitions in life, please call Pat Hooey, 201-843-4456.

Your prayer requests are uplifted by our prayer team, and confidentiality is honored.

Church Family Prayer List:

• Diana • Katie • Michael • Search Committee

Uplift those undergoing medical procedures and thanksgiving for those who are recovering, comfort for those in mourning, strength for those fighting cancer and for all caregivers, and those seeking spiritual and emotional well-being.

Scheduled to serve today with our thanks: Ushers & Greeters: Ethel Reitsema, Donair Karkkainen Thank you to Marilyn Hashway for hosting Coffee Hour today.

	Ushers & Greeters	Coffee Hour Hosts
2/25	Marianne Schmude, Nancy Gorman	The Schmude Family
3/3	Scott Benell, Karen DiBella, Ethan Cordova	Sandra Toscano
3/10	Linda Treacy, Ethel Reitsema	Maureen Van Buren
3/17	Jack & Betsy Erhard	The Frohlich Family



Congratulations to all our Church Family who are celebrating a special event! Happy Birthday!



2/1 Ed Hillermeir – 2/3 Cliff Fleck – 2/7 Alexandra Toscano 2/8 Tim Frohlich – 2/15 Charlotte Edone – 2/15 James Rodgers 2/18 Valerie Apriceno – 2/18 Gail McNeill – 2/18 Cheryl Rodgers 2/23 Mary DeBie – 2/26 Gail Anderson



CONGRATULATIONS TO JON BABICZ who was elected to serve as Elder. We also celebrate and give thanks to those members of Consistory who are continuing their service at this time: Elders Scott Benell, Karen DiBella and Carol Sushko, and Deacons Brianna Polbos, Richard Schmude, Tim Frohlich and Rene Gallagher.



Thrift Shoppe: On 2/25 there will be a Thrift Shoppe meeting in the lounge immediately following worship. Donations are accepted on Tuesday mornings from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

The Thrift Shoppe is recognized in The Record today in the Local section!

2024 SALE DATES – Mark your calendars! 3/9, 4/13, 5/11, 6/8, 9/14, 10/12, 11/9, 12/7

Bible Study: Join Pastor Linden in the Lounge on Tuesdays from 12 - 1 p.m.

Coffee Hour: Thank you to all who sign up and provide treats for Coffee Hour! The Sign-up sheet is in the Auditorium.

FOOD DRIVE & SOUPER BOWL OF CARING: Thank you to all of our volunteers and to our community for their continued support of the Dumont Food Pantry.





It is with great sadness that we inform you that Lois Anderson passed away on February 10, 2024, in Dumont, NJ. Lois was laid to rest in Cedar Grove Cemetery, Flushing, NY. Lois will be dearly missed by her family, friends, and all who knew her. May she rest in eternal peace.