

RAMAPO REFORMED CHURCH

FEBRUARY 28TH, 2021

2ND SUNDAY IN LENT

APPROACH TO GOD

Prelude *God Of The Prophets* Genevan Psalter

Greeting: (Responsively)

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth.

People: Amen.

Call to Worship:

L: Jesus said, if any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.

P: For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for the sake of the gospel, will save it.

L: But how shall we take up our crosses and follow?

All: As we gather in this time of worship and take pause during our Lenten journey of faith, let us seek the guidance and wisdom of God so that we may discern the crosses in our lives and follow in the will of God.

Prayer

Salutation:

L: Grace to you and peace from God, who has redeemed us through the saving grace found in our Lord Jesus Christ.

P: Amen.

*Songs of Praise: "There Is a Redeemer" #833
"I'm Forever Grateful" (see insert)

Prayer of Confession:

Almighty God, we so often try relying on ourselves instead of you in times of trouble, but you are the true source of our strength. Our deepest longing is to follow you, and yet we fail to live as you command. We want to bring our whole selves, our whole hearts, to you – but we do not. You ask us to deny ourselves and follow you, but we become afraid. You ask us to share the good news of the gospel, but we do not want to take the risk. You ask us to put your concerns above our worldly desires, but we cannot seem to take that leap of faith. Forgive us for all those times when we fall short and doubt. Help us to stand before you with our whole selves – trusting that it is you who makes us whole. Amen. (Prayer of Confession Continues in Silence)

Words of Assurance

Passing of the Peace: Leader: ... The Peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Congregational Response: "Grace, Peace and Love" Justin Dimbeng

Responsive Reading: Psalm 22:23-31 (see insert)

Music Ministry: "Eli Eli" D.D. Eyango

WE EXPERIENCE THE WORD OF GOD

Welcome

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lessons: Luke 13:1-9, 31-35 p.76
Romans 5:12-21 p.156
(Response: Thanks be to God!)

Message for Children

*Hymn: "I Want Jesus to Walk with Me" #140

Sermon: "Getting There" Rev. William F. Grob, Pastor

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S LOVE

*Apostles' Creed (see back cover of hymnal)

Offering/Offertory

*Doxology #965

*Prayer of Dedication

Announcements & Prayer Concerns

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord's Prayer

*Closing Hymn: "Lift High the Cross" (vv.1-4) #264

*Benediction

Postlude: *Lift High the Cross* Sydney Nicholson
Performed by: Justin Dimbeng

*Indicates where those who are able may stand.

Grace, Peace and Love

Grace Peace and Love my sister
in the name of God.

Grace Peace and Love my brother
in the name of God.

Grace Peace and Love with all of
you who are in this place.

Together all gathered,
Let us praise the Lord.

THE APOSTLE'S CREED

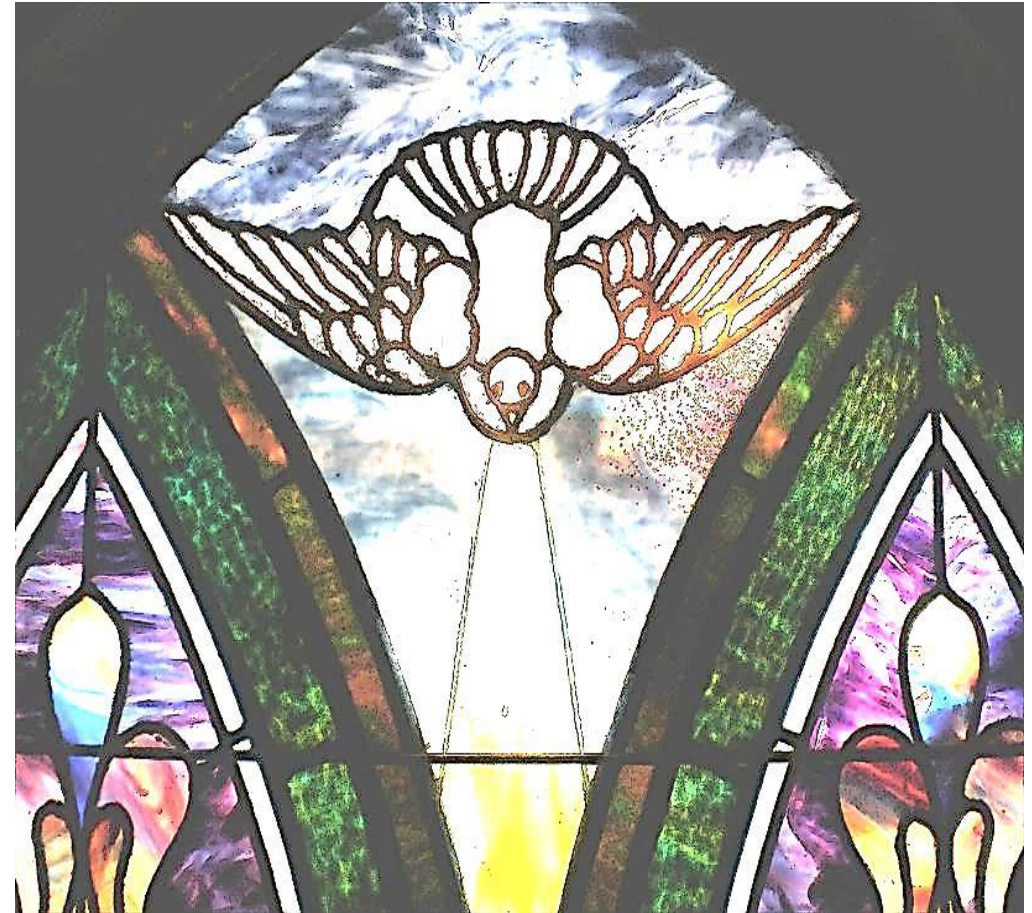
I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,

and sits on 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 the life everlasting.

Amen.



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