

Sending

* Hymn, No. 361 *My Jesus, I Love Thee* GORDON

* Charge and Benediction

* Response *May the Road Rise to Meet You* Choir

* Extinguishing the Candles, taking forth the Light of Christ

* Postlude *Rejoice, The Lord is King* arr. by Jan Sanborn

** Congregation will please stand*

Bold *Congregation will please respond*

BRENTHAVEN CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*A welcoming community of Christian disciples seeking to
love and serve God and neighbor*

March 17, 2024 † 10:45 am



We are most ready to hear these words when our own efforts are exhausted. When we are weary of our inner turmoil, we are ready to hear Jeremiah. When we are weary of broken relationships and the uncertainty of trusting others, we are ready to hear Jeremiah. When we are weary of our intermittent relationship with God, occasionally close but more likely far away, we are ready to hear Jeremiah. -- Charles L. Aaron, Jr.

Gathering

Time of Reflection Video

* Hymn, No. 183 *In the Cross of Christ I Glory* RATHBUN

* Bringing in the Light of Christ

Welcome and Prayer Concerns

Call to Worship *Breathe on Me, Breath of God* David Paxton

Time of Quiet Prayer and Prayer of Blessing

Hymn, No. 404 *I Need Thee Every Hour* (vs. 4) NEED

Confession

In spite of God's love for us and gift of love to us, we often act in destructive and hateful ways. We close our hearts to God and disobey God's law. Together let us confess our sin.

Time for Silent Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

While it is true that we have sinned, it is a greater truth that we are forgiven through God's love in Jesus Christ. To all who humbly seek the mercy of God, in Jesus Christ your sin is forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

* Response, No. 705 *Glory Be to the Father* GREATOREX

Proclaiming

Children's Time

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading *Hebrews 5:5-10* (pg. 1091, Pew Bible)

Gospel *John 12:20-33* (pg. 980, Pew Bible)

Anthem *Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God* Carl F. Mueller

Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation, restore the joy of thy salvation, restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me, uphold me with thy free spirit, thy free spirit. Then will I teach transgressors thy ways; and sinners shall be

converted unto thee. Create in me a clean heart, O God.

Second Reading *Jeremiah 31:31-34* (pg. 721, Pew Bible)

Sermon *Covenant: An Intimate Commitment* Rev. Kip J. Rush

Invitation to Discipleship

* Hymn, No. 180 *Go to Dark Gethsemane* REDHEAD

* Affirmation of Faith *from Colossians 1:15-20*

Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him.

He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything.

For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

Responding

Silent Prayers and Prayer of Intercession

Offertory Sentence

Offertory *Looking Toward the Cross Medley* Gerald Peterson

* Response, No. 706 *Praise God from Whom All Blessings* OLD HUNDREDTH

* Prayer of Thanksgiving & Lord's Prayer (*using "sins" & "those who sin against us"*)

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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us; lead us, not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

MARCH 17, 2024

10:45 am Worship Service

Nursery/Wee Worship Care: Betsy Canupp & Childcare Solutions

Holy Week begins next **Sunday, March 24** with **Palm Sunday**, so we will be celebrating the entry of Jesus into Jerusalem through the waving of palms and mourning the expected arrest and crucifixion. But it's also **Youth Sunday**, so will hear the stories of the seven high school seniors who will be preaching: **Anna Grace Wooten, Sloane Stewart, Ray Scott, Daisy Urbanowicz, James Scott, Evatt Howerton, and Josh Malloy**. They will present their reflections on the theme of the day, "This is my Story." We hope you will join us!

Safe Haven relies on donations of household items to help make families feel at home as they move into their own housing. They helped 400 families this last year, and we have been made aware of an immediate need for **new essential household items**. Please see the list of needed items in the newsletter or above the donation table in the narthex. Thank you!

We still need donations of candy or special prizes that can go into the **Easter Treat Bags** for our **Easter Egg Hunt**, coming up on **Easter Sunday, March 31**. It will follow after our service around noon for children through 6th grade, including visitors. A collection basket is outside the church office for your donations through **March 27**. Monetary donations are welcome.

Reminder: **today** is the last day to order Easter lilies. Please see the insert in the bulletin.

UPCOMING EVENTS

SUN., MAR. 17	9:30 AM	Sunday School
	10:45 AM	Worship Service
	12:00 PM	DMT Meeting (<i>Adult Library</i>)
	5:00 PM	Youth ROCKS
MON., MAR. 18	10:00 AM	Young @ Heart (<i>Adult Library</i>)
	6:30 PM	Session
WED., MAR. 20	5:45 PM	WNS
	7:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal (<i>Choir Room</i>)
THURS., MAR. 21	9:30 AM	BookEnd Book Club (<i>Adult Library</i>)
	11:00 AM	Creative Crafts (<i>Adult Library</i>)
SUN., MAR. 24	9:30 AM	Sunday School
	10:45 AM	Worship Service (Palm Sunday/Youth Sunday)

PRAYER CONCERNS

Recent Additions

Mike Cecil (*brother-in-law of Scott Shepherd*)

Billy Dial

Members

Charles & Gladys Belew, Joan Bledsoe, Bill Blewett, Phyllis Burkhalter, Ben Davis, Jane Dowden, Marilyn Ewen, Ollie Faircloth, Fred Ford, Sr., Barbara Gentry, Paul Gonzales, Madge Graves, Tommy Hennesy, Linda Lipe, Barbara Loyall, Dawn & Walter McBee, Cheryl Morris, Jack Phillips, Jodi Rush, Guy Sneed, Cheryl Tabor, Don Tabor, Julie Travis

Family and Friends

Pat Allen (*mother of Greg T. Allen*), Abby Bailey and Family (*friend of Jane Dowden*), Merritt Brakebill (*brother-in-law of Joe Malloy*), Becky Brown (*friend of Becky Jones*), Michelle Burke (*daughter of Joyce Burch*), Mary Ruth Campbell (*step-mother of Barry & Darryl Campbell*), Betty Canupp (*mother of Betsy Canupp*), John Copeland (*nephew of Martha Stewart*), Steve Crawford (*friend of Carol Perryman*), Mac Crome (*cousin of Miab Faircloth*), Johnny Cunningham (*friend of Ford family*), Kevin Floyd (*son of Treva Floyd*), Seth Genes (*friend of the McCulleys*), Ann Ghianni (*sister-in-law of Tim Ghianni*), Helen James (*friend of Julie Travis*), Doug Johnson (*friend of Shali & Frank Scott*), Rex Lineberry (*brother of Pat Chesnut*), Walter McBee, Jr. (*son of Walter McBee, Sr.*), Sue McClelland (*mother of Rachel Campbell*), Martha Malloy (*mother of Joe Malloy*), Jackie Nash (*friend of Julie Travis*), Sherry Norton (*friend of Deborah Deaton*), Ayden Orr (*friend of Ollie, Baird and Miab Faircloth*), Heather Perillo (*daughter of Dawn & Walter McBee*), Melissa Pyne (*granddaughter of Doris Cantagallo*), Yvonne Reid (*aunt of Liz Strickland*), Raymond Roman (*friend of Amity Marsh*), Rev. Teresa Shauf (*CP Minister*), Brittany Spradling, Judy Smith (*friend of Janiece Redmon*), Jim Summitt (*uncle of Blair Summitt*), Forrest Sutton (*brother-in-law of Ean Taylor*), James Talley, Garry Todd (*friend of Barbara Dial and others*), Bill Turner (*brother-in-law of Cheryl Tabor*), Wilma Wade (*sister of Kaye Holland*), Philip & Isabel Ward (*parents of Heather McDonald*), Hayden White (*friend of Becky Jones*), Iza Wojcik family and father John Kavouklis (*friends of Liz Strickland*), those serving our country

Deaths

Family of Elwanda Roberts (*cousin of Cheryl Morris*)

