

Church on the Hill

A Congregation of the
Reformed Church in America
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Mr. Sean Cotty — Music Director

Rev. Robert A. Perless — Pastor Emeritus

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

ORDER OF WORSHIP

BOLD – Congregation responds

* – Congregation Stands

Prelude Improvisation on "What a Wonderful Savior" Sean Cotty

Welcome

Votum

Sentences of Scripture

Prayer of Invocation

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Call to Worship

(During the following hymn, Children At Worship will process to Room 2-E.)

* **Hymn No. 488**

What a Wonderful Savior

Christ has for sin atonement made

What a wonderful Savior!

We are redeemed, the price is paid

What a wonderful Savior!

What a wonderful Savior is Jesus, my Jesus!

What a wonderful Savior is Jesus, my Lord!

I praise him for the cleansing blood

What a wonderful Savior!

That reconciled my soul to God

*Answer me from Thy throne, haste Thee, Lord,
To mine aid, Thy pity show in my deep anguish!
Let not the sword of vengeance smite me,
Tho' righteous thine anger, O Lord, shield me in danger,
O regard me! One Thee, Lord alone will I call.*

*O, divine Redeemer! I pray Thee, grant me pardon,
And remember not, remember not my sins!
Forgive me, O, divine Redeemer! I pray Thee,
Grant me pardon, and remember not,
Remember not, O Lord, my sins!*

*Night gathers round my soul; fearful, I cry to Thee;
Come to mine aid, O Lord!
Haste Thee, Lord, haste to help me!
Hear my cry, hear my cry!
Save me, Lord, in Thy mercy;
hear my cry, hear my cry!
Come and save me, O, Lord!*

*O, divine Redeemer! I pray Thee, grant me pardon,
And remember not, remember not my sins!
Save, in the day of retribution,
From death shield Thou me, O my God!
O, divine Redeemer, have mercy!
Help me, my Savior!*

Prayer of Illumination

Holy Spirit, open our hearts to receive your Word, reveal to us the good news, and enable us to trust in the promise of salvation in Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Scripture Readings

Psalm 32
2 Corinthians 5:16-21

Nancy Gessner

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“The New You”

Rev. Doug Estella

* **Confession of Faith**

The Apostles' Creed (*RCA contemporary version*)

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
And born of the Virgin Mary.
He 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,
And is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again 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.**

[†] *The word "catholic" means "universal,"
referring to all followers of Christ worldwide.*

Solo

Sonata op. 1, no. 1 in e-minor (I. Larghetto)
G.F. Handel Soloist - Simon Walsh, Flute

Doxology

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

Prayers of the People

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 trespasses
As we forgive those who trespass 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.***

*** Hymn No. 534**

Draw Me Nearer

*I am thine, O Lord, I have heard thy voice,
And it told thy love to me;
But I long to rise in the arms of faith,
And be closer drawn to thee.*

*Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,
To the cross where thou hast died;
Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,
To thy precious, bleeding side.*

*Consecrate me now to thy service, Lord,
By the power of grace divine;
Let my soul look up with a steadfast hope,
And my will be lost in thine.*

*Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,
To the cross where thou hast died;
Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,*

To thy precious, bleeding side.

*O, the pure delight of a single hour
That before thy throne I spend,
When I kneel in prayer, and with thee, my God,
I commune as friend with friend!*

*Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,
To the cross where thou hast died;
Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,
To thy precious, bleeding side.*

*There are depths of love that I cannot know
'Till I cross the narrow sea;
There are heights of joy that I may not reach
'Till I rest in peace with thee.*

*Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,
to the cross where thou hast died;
draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,
to thy precious, bleeding side.*

*** Benediction**

Response *(please be seated)*

Let There Be Peace On Earth
Sy Miller and Jill Jackson
Soloist - Maureen Saepia-Chen

*Let there be peace on Earth,
And let it begin with me.
Let there be peace on Earth,
The peace that was meant to be.*

*With God as our Father,
We are family.
Let us walk with each other
In perfect harmony.*

Let peace begin with me,
Let this be the moment now.
With every step I take,
Let this be my solemn vow.

To take each moment
And live each moment
In peace eternally.
Let there be peace on Earth,
And let it begin with me.

Postlude Sonata op. 1, no. 1 in e-minor (V. Presto) G.F. Handel
Soloist - Simon Walsh, Flute

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ,



2 Corinthians 5:17

*the new creation has come: The old
has gone, the new is here!*

Announcements

Music Note

Thank you to Maureen Saepia-Chen and Simon Walsh for sharing their musical talents with us this morning!

[Actual] Coffee Hour

Following the service, **please join us downstairs in Gessner Hall** for a time of fellowship at Coffee Hour. Everyone is welcome!

New Consistory Members

In May, church members in good standing will elect new Consistory members. The current members whose terms are ending are: Dana Chan, Dorien Day, Maureen Saepia-Chen and Jeanne Sarran.

Children at Worship — COTH's Children's Ministry has begun again!

Jeanne Sarran began a six-week program for children at worship, which runs to April 10, 2022. The program is open to children, ages 5 to 12. During the service, the children will process out and be led to Room 2-E, where the focus for the lessons will be on the life of Jesus; his teaching and parables. Sharing the Good News with our children!

Join Our Email List!

Be sure to sign up for our email list to keep up with the latest Church on the Hill happenings through the weekly email and the Beacon. Add your name and email to the sign-up sheet at the back of the sanctuary or send an email to the church office at **office@churchonthehill.org**.

PRAYER LIST

Please reach out to the church office if you would like to add a name to the prayer list. Email **office@churchonthehill.org**

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Check the weekly email tomorrow for all the happenings and ministries of Church on the Hill!

BARGAIN BOUTIQUE

The Bargain Boutique is being renovated with a new coat of paint and upgraded air handling. We are not accepting donations at this time.

Prayer Requests

If you would like to add a loved one to the prayer list, or if your loved one no longer needs to be on the prayer list, please contact the church office. Thank you!

Teresa (anonymous)

Diane Blagburn

Christina Boll

Barbara Burns

Jack & Marie Collins

Lucas Ditta

Annie Jankowski

Connie McKinstry

The Family of

Charles Mendler

Jackson Pappas

Joan Petigo

Nicole Phillips

Jeni Pollack

Debi Romano

Kathleen & Robin Surujballi

Bernard & Eva Surujballi

Jennifer & Douglas Surujballi

Shelina Surujballi

Gerald Surujballi

The Thomas Family

Virginia Young



Buildings & Grounds

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Chair: Dana Chan

Worship & Music

Chair: Irma Schubert

*Chairperson is also Consistory Representative unless otherwise stated.



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