

Elderton Presbyterian Church  
Fourth Sunday in Lent  
March 10, 2024

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**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

Prelude

**ACOLYTE** – Jonah Scrips

Welcome and Announcements

**GATHERING**

Choral Introit

\*Call to Worship: (**responsively**)

By grace you have been saved through faith; and this is not your own doing, it is the gift of God.

**For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.**

Let us worship God.

\*Prayer of Invocation

\*Hymn No. 101 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" HAMBURG

\***Unison** Prayer of Confession:

**O God, in Christ Jesus you proclaimed your love for all creation. Have mercy on us as we confess our sin. We have overpopulated the earth and violated its goodness. We have depleted nature of its vital resources. Pollution besets us, waters lie stagnant. We care not for ourselves as temples, nor for communities as buildings not built with hands. We plead for forgiveness and ask for your guidance. Help us to be disciplined in taking care of your gifts, lest in neglecting them we lose them forever.**

\*Silent Prayer of Confession

\*Assurance of Forgiveness

\*Gloria Patri – page 579

**THE WORD**

Anthem "Cross of Jesus Medley" PARKS

Joys, Concerns and God Sightings  
Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Children's Sermon

\*Praise Hymnal No. 214 "Wonderful, Merciful Savior" RODGERS/WYSE

Scripture Reading Hebrews 11: 1-16

Sermon "By Faith" Dr. Angel De La Cruz

**OUR RESPONSE TO GOD**

\*Sermon on the Mount (**responsively**)

Blessed are the poor in spirit,  
**for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**

Blessed are those who mourn,  
**for they shall be comforted.**

Blessed are the meek,  
**for they shall inherit the earth.**

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,  
**for they shall be satisfied.**

Blessed are the merciful,  
**for they shall obtain mercy.**

Blessed are the pure in heart,  
**for they shall see God.**

Blessed are the peacemakers,  
**for they shall be called sons of God.**

Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake,  
**for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**

Blessed are you when men revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.

Presentation of Our Offerings

Offertory

\*Doxology – page 592 blue hymnal

\*Prayer

## SENDING

\*Hymn No. 388

"O Jesus, I Have Promised"

ANGEL'S STORY

\*Benediction

\*Congregational Response: "In My Life, Lord, Be Glorified"

In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified, In my life, Lord, be glorified today.

\*Postlude

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(\*) Congregation Standing

**A warm welcome to all those visiting with us today. We pray you are blessed and encouraged as we worship together. So that we may get to know you better, please fill out the welcome card found in the pew racks and place in the offering plate.**

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A nursery is available for your convenience located in the educational complex of the building. The service is on Facebook Live and can be viewed while you are in the nursery.

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**PRAYER CHAIN REQUEST CONTACT** – Linda Prugh – 724-464-8861

**GREETERS TODAY** – Loretta Coleman and Breanna Coleman

**GREETERS NEXT WEEK** – Cheryl Hankey and Jeff Schrecengost

**ACOLYTE NEXT WEEK** – Cooper Grantz

**VISITATION TEAMS FOR MARCH**

Elders: John and Dee Craig

Deacons: Tyler Keith and Amber Pinkerton

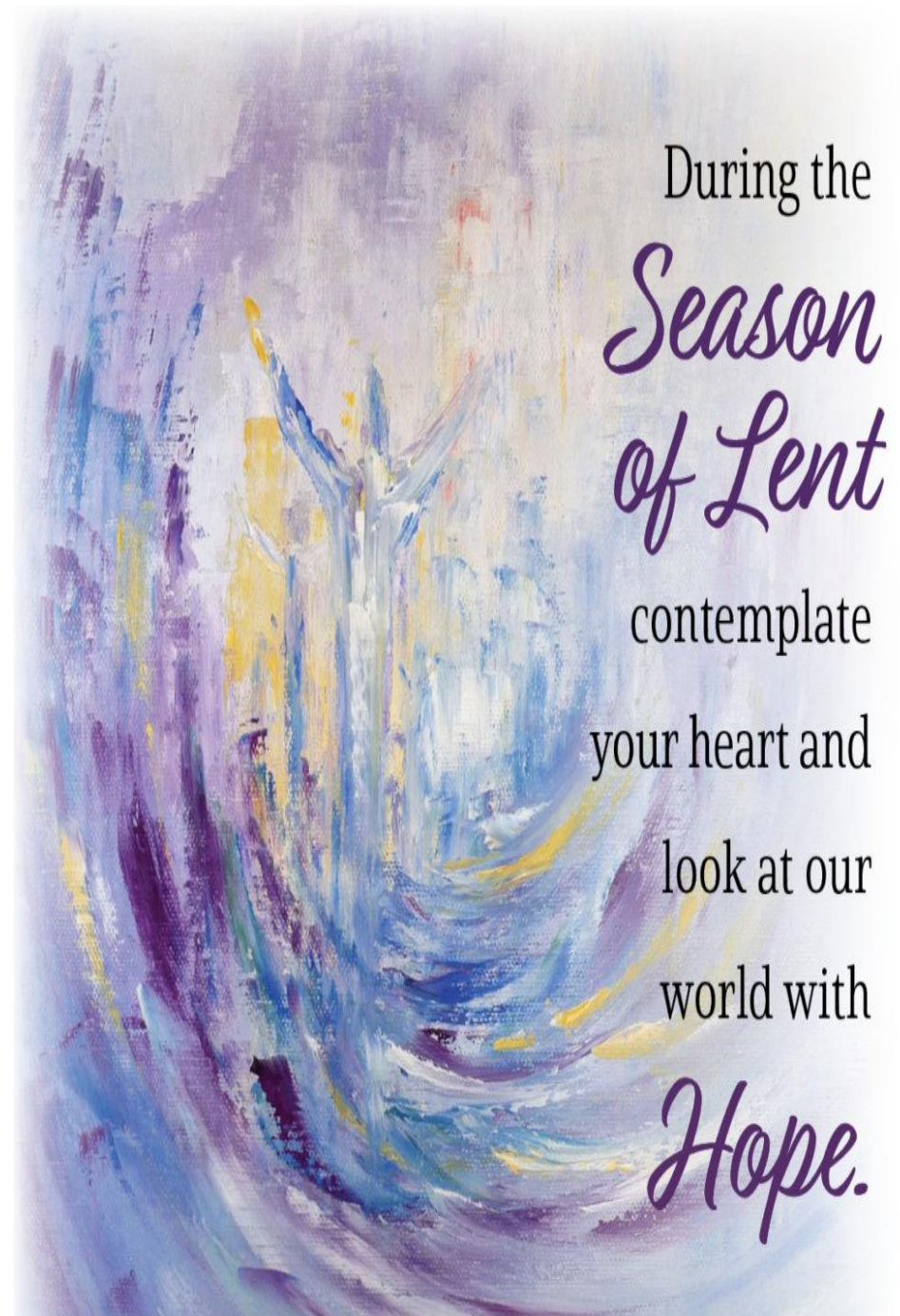
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We would like to extend our sincere sympathy to Paul and Marilyn Meyers on the death of Paul's sister, Maxine Prugh.

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The Christian Education committee is collecting donations for our children's Easter Egg Hunt, if you would like give a monetary donation or candy donation, please give to Susan Schrecengost.

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## **THIS WEEK**

**March 13 – 1:00** – Circle Meeting at Nancy Schrecengost's home.

**March 14 – 10:00-3:00** – Helping Hand, if you would like to help with this mission, please see Sheila Brumbaugh.

**March 14 – 6:00** – Session Meeting

**6:00** – Deacons Meeting

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## **NEXT WEEK**

**March 17** - We will receive new members during worship service. If you are interested in becoming a member of Elderton Presbyterian Church, please contact the church office before March 13.

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## **COMING UP**

**March 24 – Palm Sunday** – The Confirmation Class will join the church during worship service. Palms will be distributed as you leave the sanctuary.

**March 28 – 7:00 PM** - Maundy Thursday Service – Communion will be served.

**March 29** – Good Friday – The church office will be closed.

**March 31– 8:00 AM** - Easter morning breakfast in Fellowship Hall, please bring a covered dish.

**March 31- 9:30 AM** – Easter Egg Hunt for Sunday School children. Weather permitting, we will be outside. Donations for candy are needed, please give monetary or candy donations to Susan.

**March 31 – 10:30 AM** - Easter worship service

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## **In Our Prayers**

Laney Brown asks for prayers; she has a heart health concern and is wearing a heart monitor.

Blythe Johns asks for travel mercies for family, Shari and family traveling home to Ohio, Kirsten and Gabriella traveling home from Texas.

Shari Finn asks for continued prayers for her husband, Huck, as he proceeds with his chemo treatments.

Linda Prugh asks for prayers for Pete and Sandy Peterman, they are not feeling well. Travel mercies for her son and daughter-in-law as they go on vacation.

Bob Griffin asks for prayers for the Alex Rodriguez family, their daughter is struggling with her faith.

## **In Our Prayers Continued**

Iris Reese asks for continued prayers for her coworker, Terri, as she continues treatment for lung cancer.

Loretta Coleman asks for prayers for the DiFilippo family on the loss of their son, Bubba.

Pam Gaff asks for prayers for her Uncle Gene, he had a stroke, and prayers of strength for her mom, Eileen.

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