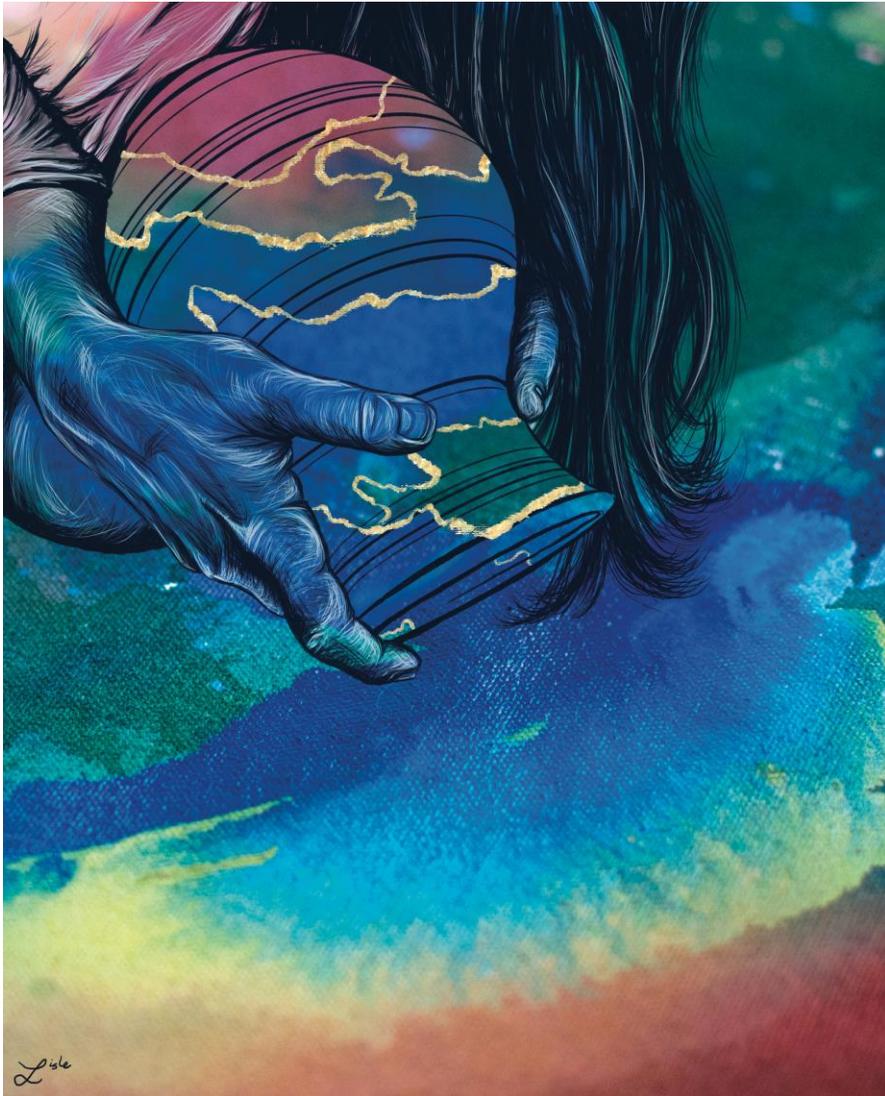


PARK CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Brazen Beauty by Rev. Lisle Gwynn Garrity | A Sanctified Art

Fifth Sunday in Lent

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT
APRIL 3, 2022 10:30 AM

Chiming of the Hour

The ringing of the bell invites us to quiet our hearts & minds as we gather for worship.

Words of Welcome & Announcements

Welcome to worship at Park Central Presbyterian Church! May you experience God's grace and love within the worship service.

Please wear a mask and maintain social distance from other household groups.

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

“Spring Comes Early”

Mark Hayes

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

As people formed by God, we gather to praise God:

Christ is among us—

God is doing a new thing!

As people restored by God, we gather to praise God:

Christ is among us—

God is doing a new thing!

As people pressing on in faith, we gather to praise God:

Christ is among us—

God is doing a new thing!

Let us worship God together.

***HYMN 85** What Wondrous Love Is This

WONDROUS LOVE

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God,

**we admit that we often tuck our faith away,
hiding in places of comfort rather than boldly declaring
who we are and whose we are.**

**We are afraid of offending others, embarrassing ourselves,
or putting ourselves at risk.**

**Forgive us when we establish rules and structures
that bind up our faith.**

Forgive us for whispering when we could be singing.

**Forgive us for staying quiet when we could be
bravely sharing what you have done in our lives.**

**Help us to proclaim your good news and
to pour out our lives in extravagant acts of love
as we follow the way of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PASSING OF THE PEACE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE 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.**

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 43:16-21

¹⁶ Thus says God,
who makes a way in the sea,
a path in the mighty waters,

¹⁷ who brings out chariot and horse,
army and warrior;
they lie down, they cannot rise,
they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:
¹⁸ Do not remember the former things,
or consider the things of old.
¹⁹ I am about to do a new thing;
now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?
I will make a way in the wilderness
and rivers in the desert.
²⁰ The wild animals will honor me,
the jackals and the ostriches;
for I give water in the wilderness,
rivers in the desert,
to give drink to my chosen people,
²¹ the people whom I formed for myself
so that they might declare my praise.

Leader: This is the word of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

MUSICAL MEDITATION

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

*When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.*

*Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ my God!
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to His blood.*

Michael Spencer, *guitar and vocals*
Dan Blumenthal, *violin*
Isaac Watts

*See from His head, His hands, His feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down!
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?*

*Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.*

THE SECOND LESSON

John 12:1-8

¹ Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. ² There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and

Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. ³ Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. ⁴ But Judas Iscariot, one of the disciples (the one who was about to betray Jesus), said, ⁵ "Why was this perfume not sold for a year's wages and the money given to those who are poor?" ⁶ (Judas said this not because he cared about those who are poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) ⁷ Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. ⁸ You always have those who are poor with you, but you do not always have me."

Leader: This is the word of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Sarah McTyre

SILENT MOMENT OF REFLECTION

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

SHARING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

The offering plate will not be passed. You may place gifts to the church in the offering plate as you exit.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***HYMN 376** Love Divine, All Loves Excelling
Stanzas 1, 2, and 4

HYFRYDOL

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

"Finale"

Stanley Vann

The congregational and corporate meeting will be held following worship.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

LiturgistsMichael and Susan Barbour

Merciful God,
as I begin each day,
place in me a spirit of generosity
so that I may freely share
love, joy, and encouragement
with those I encounter.

Portions of today's liturgy are adapted from *Feasting on the Word: Worship Companion* and from *Full to the Brim: An Expansive Lent, A Sanctified Art*.

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