

Order of Worship

March 8, 2026 ~ 10:00 am

Third Sunday in Lent

Welcome

We are delighted that you have joined us for worship this morning.

Hymnals and Bibles may be found under the pew in front of you.

The asterisk (*) in the order of worship indicates
when the congregation may stand.

Mission

Pilgrim Congregational Church is an independent community of Christian faith, which glorifies God through worship and service to others, respects individual spiritual growth, and inspires compassionate fellowship.

Vision

Pilgrim is the spiritual home of our community where all people are welcomed, known, and loved.

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Rev. Heather Miner, Associate Minister

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Send your prayer request to the Band of Prayer

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“All prayer requests are kept confidential”

Prelude

“Gigue Fugue in F Major” Johann Pachelbel
 “Recitative on When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” by Bruce Jones
 Bruce Jones, organist

Hymn #127*

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah” CWM RHONDDA

Welcome

Rev. Heather Miner

Parish Concerns

Rev. Miner

Call to Worship

Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn

Introit

“This Is the Time for Worship”

Robert M. Boberg

This is the time for worship. This is the time for prayer.
 Let us seek to live by truth and faith. God is always there.

Invocation*

Mr. Jon Olson

Enduring Presence, goal and guide, You go before and await our coming. Only our thirst compels us beyond complaint to conversation, beyond rejection to relationship. Pour Your love into our hearts, that, refreshed and renewed, we may invite others to the living water given to us in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gloria Patri*

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Lesson One

Romans 5:1-11

Mr. Olson

¹Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³And not only that, but we also boast in our afflictions, knowing that affliction produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not put us to shame, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

⁶For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly.

⁷Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. ⁸But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. ⁹Much more surely, therefore, since we have now been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. ¹⁰For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. ¹¹But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation. *(New Revised Standard Version)*

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Youth Message

Mr. Olson

(The youth are invited to attend Sunday School following the Lord's Prayer.)

The Lord's Prayer

Mr. Olson

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.

Anthem

"I Am Not My Own"

Craig Courtney

Jessica Woollen, soloist

I am not my own, not in body, not in soul, in life, nor even death.

I am not my own.

His own blood has ransomed me, from evil set me free.

I am not my own.

For my salvation all things work together, in eternal life He gave me hope.

By the power of His Holy Spirit, I will live for Him.

I am not my own.

I belong unto my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ.

I belong to Him, in life, in death,, my only comfort,

I belong to Him, I will live for Him.

Forever and ever, for evermore.

Pastoral Prayer and Silent Prayer

Dr. Horn

Prayer Response

"He Gave His Life"

Spanish Folk Song

He gave His life; He died for me.

To Him be praise and glory.

Worthy is the Lord. Amen.

Offering

Rev. Miner

Offertory Solo:

"Slow Down"

Chuck Girard/arr. Martin Green

Janelle Perez, soprano

In the midst of my confusion, in the time of desperate need

When I'm thinking not too clearly, a gentle voice does intercede

Slow down, slow down

Be still, be still and wait on the spirit of the Lord

Slow down and hear His voice

And know that he is God

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Offertory Solo: (continued)

In the time of tribulation, when I'm
feeling so unsure
When things are pressing in about me
Comes a gentle voice, so still, so pure
Slow down, slow down

Be still, be still and wait on the spirit
of the Lord
Slow down and hear His voice
And know that he is God

Doxology Hymn and Dedicatory Prayer *

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures here below,
Praise God above ye heavenly host, Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Hymn #298*

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

HAMBURG

Lesson Two

Exodus 17:1-7

Mr. Olson

¹From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ²The people quarreled with Moses and said, “Give us water to drink.” Moses said to them, “Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?” ³But the people thirsted there for water, and the people complained against Moses and said, “Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?” ⁴So Moses cried out to the LORD, “What shall I do for this people? They are almost ready to stone me.” ⁵The LORD said to Moses, “Go on ahead of the people and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile and go. ⁶I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.” Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. ⁷He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the LORD, saying, “Is the LORD among us or not?” (*New Revised Standard Version*)

Sermon

“The One True Miracle Worker”

Dr. Horn

Hymn #540*

“I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord”

ST. THOMAS

Benediction*

Dr. Horn

Congregational Response*

“God Be with You”

Hymn #672

God be with you till we meet again, By His counsels guide, uphold you,
With His sheep securely fold you, God be with you till we meet again.

Postlude

“Postlude on DIADEM”
Susan Winckler, organist

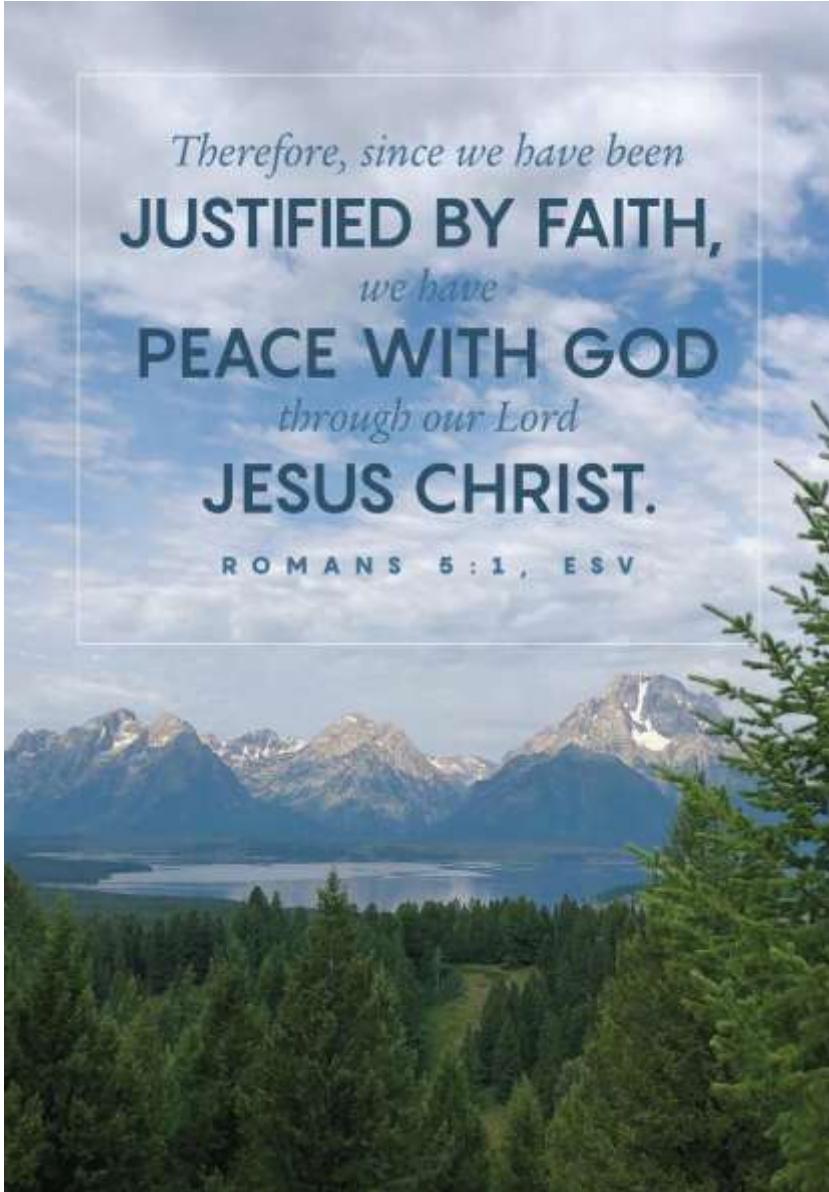
Mary McDonald

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Therefore, since we have been
JUSTIFIED BY FAITH,
we have
PEACE WITH GOD
through our Lord
JESUS CHRIST.

ROMANS 5:1, ESV



***Thank you for joining us today for worship service!
Please join us for fellowship following the service.***

Today's Theme: God is the only true provider of miracles

Color: Purple

Organists: Bruce Jones and Susan Winckler

Videographers: Bill Parnell, Andrew Olson and Dane Vose

Flower Dedications: This morning's flowers are thoughtfully and lovingly provided by Ron and Christine Vanyo: "Happy 8th Birthday to our Grandson, Harrison. From the moment you entered our lives, you have filled our hearts with so much love and happiness. Watching you grow, learn, and explore has been such a blessing. We are so proud of the kind, curious, and adventurous boy you are becoming. Your imagination inspires us all, and your smile brightens every room. Remember, you are loved beyond measure, and we will always be here to cheer you on, no matter where life takes you. Prayers for God's continued grace upon your future.

Love, Fafa & Gigi (Ron & Christine Vanyo)

Boutonnieres: Our Boutonnieres for March are provided: "In appreciation to ALL who so generously dedicate their time, talents, and treasures to Pilgrim Congregational Church."

Liturgical Notes by Dr. Patrick Horn: Purple was originally associated with royalty because it was a more expensive color to dye, and it was used to welcome the coming of a king. It also evokes pain and suffering. Purple symbolizes fasting, faith, patience, and trust. It is the liturgical color used during the seasons of penance, Advent, and Lent. For Advent, purple symbolizes the impending birth of Jesus while foreshadowing his death.

Meeting & Event Reminders

9:00 am, Morning Devotional (online M-F)

Today

Daylight-Saving Time Begins

9:00 am to 9:45 am, Bible Study in the Parlor

Monday, March 9th

6:00 pm, CE Zoom Meeting

11:30 am, Living Faith Bible Study

Tuesday, March 10th

5:45 pm, Twilight Bible Study (online and Minister's Office)

Wednesday, March 11th

9:00 am, Rummage Sorting

Thursday, March 12th

10:00 am to Noon, Joyful Endeavors

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