

## St. Giles Presbyterian Church

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### Rev. Jennifer Fouse Sheorn

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### Jane Stelling

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### Jeanie Bryan

Organist

### Celeste Webb

Bookkeeper

### Debbie Stenzel

Director of the Weekday Preschool

## The Session

Our congregation is led by ruling elders who are called by God and elected by the congregation to serve on our Session (our governing board). They are responsible for the mission and governance of the church of Jesus Christ in this place, and gather monthly to pray for the church's ministries, members, and friends.

### Class of 2020

\*Jennifer Clark (Worship)

\*Nancy de Jong (Christian Ed)

\*Scott Drake (Admin)

Alana Hoenicke (Witness & Mission)

\*Kelly Rodriguez (Membership)

### Class of 2021

Cary Baird (Admin)

Donna Hayes (Christian Ed)

\*David Holly (Witness & Mission)

Debbie Lesley (Membership)

Dan Pascoe (Worship)

### Class of 2022

Jean Binns (Worship)

Walter Burgess (Witness & Mission)

Thad Cloer (Admin)

Helen Truesdale (Membership)

Jeannie Young (Christian Ed)

\*-denotes chair

## Welcome, Visitors!

Welcome to St. Giles! We are very pleased to have you worship with us today. We wish to greet you personally so please be sure to say "hi" to our pastor, Jennifer Fouse Sheorn, as well as to your neighbor before you depart. Also, stop by the Visitor Center, located in the lobby, to pick up a welcome bag. We hope to see you again soon!

## Worshipping with Children

Children are always welcome in worship, and there are also several other options listed below.

- **Birth-Age 2**— our nursery (located in the preschool building) is staffed during Sunday School & worship. **Staff: Barbara Meece and Sharlene Stockard**
- **Ages 3-5**— we offer extended session to enjoy age-appropriate activities. Children are dismissed to the preschool building following the Word for Children. **Staff: Kate Aust and Mackenzie Lane**
- **Ages 6-12**— children's worship bags designated by age are available in the narthex/lobby prior to the service.

*There are changing tables available in both the women's and family restrooms in this building. An usher can direct you, if needed.*

## Our Mission & Vision

St. Giles Presbyterian Church Mission and Vision Statement:

**To glorify God, serve Jesus Christ through his word, nurture and inspire hope and faith in the congregation, community, and world.**

## Worship Notes

Wireless hearing devices and large print hymnals are available in the narthex/lobby. Ask an usher to direct you.

## Those Serving Today

### Elder Duty

Dan Pascoe

### Greeters

Elaine Broderick

Jean Strickland

### Head Usher

Alex Spinks

### Liturgist

Jennifer Fouse Sheorn

### Preacher

Jennifer Fouse Sheorn

### Receiving Treasurers

Bob Billings

Freda Hergner

### Sound System

Mike Bacon

### Word for Children

Curtis Rogers

### Worship Elder

Dan Pascoe

## From the Church Register for March 15

### Worship Attendance

109

### Sunday School Attendance

21

### Operating Budget Weekly Needs

\$10,531.25

### Contributions Received

\$10,710.00

## Stewardship Moment

*Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received. 1 Peter 4:10*

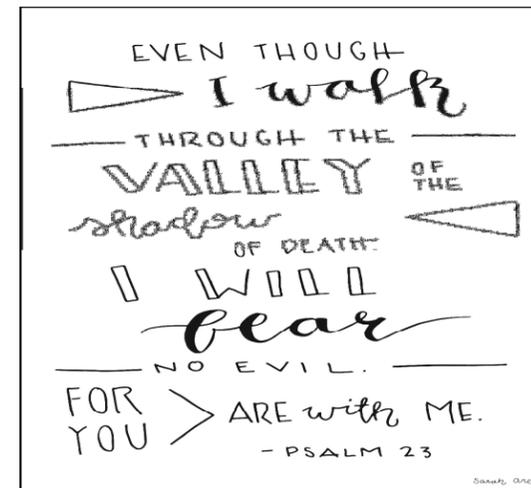


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## March 22, 2020 | 4th Sunday in Lent



Through The Valley by Rev. Sarah Are, inspired by Psalm 23

Psalm 23 is one of the most well-known scriptures in the bible. We read it at funerals, in worship, and in our own devotional practices. We read it so often that if we're not careful, this text could become nothing more than muscle memory. However, at my core, I believe that the wilderness provides an opportunity for us to declare what we believe. This declaration can be painful, and hard, but I also believe that those moments are some of the most transformative moments of our lives. For it is very different to say that we believe in a God that walks with us through the valley, as opposed to the mountain top. To do so is to make a radical declaration of faith that will not only shape our world view, but the faith of those around us.

~Rev. Sarah Are

## We Gather Together in God's Holy Name

### Prelude

*The Lord's My Shepherd*

arr. Wright

### Welcome & Announcements

### Trinity Chime

### Choral Introit

*Be Thou My Vision*

SLANE

### †Call to Worship

Draw near to the light of God's love; flock to the One who leads us by still waters.

**The Lord is our shepherd; we shall not want. God is light for all who are stumbling or afraid in the darkness.**

The God revealed in Jesus Christ is our host. We are the guests of One who feeds and heals us.

**We have come to worship the God of mercy. We have come to be fed and to remember who and whose we are.**

### †Hymn 187

*Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us*

BRADBURY

- v. 1 *Savior, like a shepherd lead us; much we need your tender care.  
In your pleasant pastures feed us; for our use your fold prepare.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have bought us: we are yours.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have bought us: we are yours.*

### Prayer of Confession

{silent prayer}

### Confessional Hymn 577

*Lord, Have Mercy*

KYRIE ELEISON (Reindorf)

**Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

Congregation sing through twice

Amen.

The prelude is intended to help us quietly prepare our hearts and minds for worship.

Please join in reading or singing those parts of the service printed in bold.

†When this symbol precedes an element of the service, please rise in body or spirit.

The Giving Jar offering for March is One Great Hour of Sharing, a denominational offering which supports Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA), the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and the Self-Development of People initiative.

We are invited to return God's tithes and give our offering.

\*In the Apostles' Creed "quick" means "living;" "catholic" means "universal."

## Assurance of Pardon

The psalmist assures us that God's goodness and mercy will follow us, even pursue us, all the days of our life. As God's forgiven people, receive this goodness and mercy, and live a new life in the grace of Jesus Christ.

**We will live as children of the light for Christ shines on us.**

## We Gather Around God's Holy Word

### Word for Children

Curtis Rogers

### Message Through Music

*For All My Days*

arr. Don Besig

### Offertory

*My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*

arr. Whitworth

### †Choral Response 708 vs, 1

*We Give Thee but Thine Own*

SCHUMANN

*We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be;  
all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.*

### †Prayer of Dedication

### Prayer for Illumination

### Scripture

Psalm 23 (KJV)

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Sermon

Rev. Jennifer Fouse Sheorn

## We Respond to God's Word

### †Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed (Traditional)

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father, Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the \*quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy \*catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### Song for Centering 467

*Give Us Light*

JYOTHI DHO

*Give us light; give us light; give us light, O Lord.  
Give us grace; give us grace; give us grace, O Lord.*

### 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 Go Out in God's Name

### †Hymn 687

*Our God, Our Help in Ages Past*

ST. ANNE

v. 1 *Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,  
our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home:*

v. 6 *Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,  
be thou our guard while life shall last, and our eternal home.*

### †Greeting Those Around Us

What does the Lord require of us?

**To seek justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with our God.** (Micah 6:8)

May God help us live this high calling faithfully, as we strive to be good stewards of all our gifts.

**Alleluia!**

God has richly blessed us to be a blessing to the world in Christ's name.

**Alleluia!**

As we leave this sanctuary to serve God, let us greet our mission partners:

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

*[As a sign of God's love, you are invited to greet those around you.]*

God is good, **All the time.**

All the time, **God is good.**

### †Charge & Benediction

### †Postlude

*March*

arr. Handel

This Lenten season the sanctuary is adorned with elements of the wilderness. Instead of running away from the wilderness, we have brought the wilderness in- to face it, confront it, and find our way through it, with God's help. These elements: **sand, trees, stones, and moss**, remind us of the many layers of the wilderness. In these layers we find meaning and the courage to carry on. We also learn who we are in the wilderness. We learn who God is in the wilderness and how to find comfort with the unknown. Let us journey together, trusting that God is with us every step of the way.