

This Week at Gilead

Today Sunday, March 31 – **Easter Sunday**

- 8:25 a.m. Gilead Bell Chimes rehearse.
- 9:20 a.m. Gilead Singers rehearse.
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship.
- Following worship, join us for coffee/fellowship in the lounge.

Monday, April 1

- 11:00 a.m. Stretch Exercise Class.

Wednesday, April 3

- 8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer on Zoom; the link is in the weekly email.

Thursday, April 4

- 11:00 a.m. Stretch Exercise Class.
- 6:30 p.m. Gilead Singers rehearse.

Friday, April 5

- 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Gilead Food Pantry

Sunday, April 7- **Communion Sunday** John F. Temple III, preaching.

- 9:15 a.m. Gilead Singers rehearse.
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship

Upcoming:

Our March mission is the Mahopac Women's Resource Center. See the flyer posted in the lounge for a list of needed items.

It's time for the annual Mother's Day plant sale to benefit Putnam Recreation Programs and Habilitation! Order forms are in the lounge.

*Thank you to our Lay Reader today, Julie Temple Stan
and our videographers, Lexie Fischer and Stephanie Gould.*

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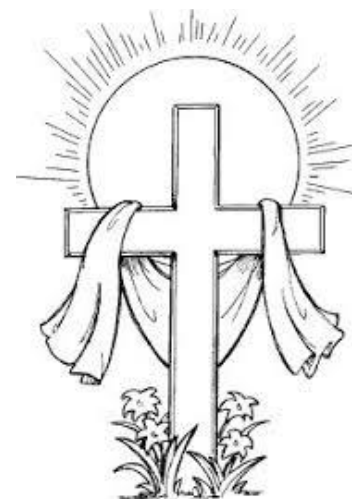
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Christ is Risen! Alleluia!



GILEAD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Convinced of God's Grace, we affirm that there can be no exclusiveness in the body of Christ. We welcome all regardless of race, ethnic heritage, national origin, age, ability, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, or socioeconomic standing; and we encourage the full participation of all in the life of our congregation.

Sunday, March 31, 2024, 10:00 a.m.
Easter Sunday, Year B

We welcome Tim Stan to the pulpit today!

OPENING MUSIC

"Come Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain"

by Todd Kendall

Penny Cameron, piano & Mary Temple, organ

During the opening music, let us quiet the noise from outside, cease our conversation with the world, and begin listening for the music of God's voice.

OPENING SCRIPTURE

Psalm 118: 24, 29

*PURPLE HYMNAL #232

"Jesus Christ is Risen Today"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We overlook the poor and hungry, and pass by those who mourn. We are deaf to the cries of the oppressed, and indifferent to cries for peace. We despise the weak, while we lift up strength, status, security, and earthly power as gods. And continue to abuse the earth you created. Forgive us, O God of mercy, help us to trust your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant, given in Jesus Christ, risen this morning. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***THE GLORIA: Glory to the Creator, and to the Christ, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.**

*THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Leader: Peace be with you. **People: And also with you.**

ANTHEM

"Christ is Risen"
Gilead Bell Chimes

by Sharon Elery Rogers

TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

The children are dismissed to Sunday School.

SCRIPTURE

²⁰ Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. ² So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him!"³ So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb. ⁴ Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵ He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in. ⁶ Then Simon Peter came along behind him and went straight into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there, ⁷ as well as the cloth that had been wrapped around Jesus' head. The cloth was still lying in its place, separate from the linen. ⁸ Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. ⁹ (They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.) ¹⁰ Then the disciples went back to where they were staying. ¹¹ Now Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb ¹² and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus' body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot. ¹³ They asked her,

"Woman, why are you crying?" "They have taken my Lord away," she said, "and I don't know where they have put him." ¹⁴ At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus. ¹⁵ He asked her, "Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?" Thinking he was the gardener, she said, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him." ¹⁶ Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means "Teacher"). ¹⁷ Jesus said, "Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" ¹⁸ Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: "I have seen the Lord!" And she told them that he had said these things to her. *John 20:1-18*

SERMON

"Seeing Through Tears"

Tim Stan

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"The Day of Resurrection"

PASTORAL PRAYER

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, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"Look, Ye Saints, the Sight is Glorious"
Gilead Singers

by Timothy Mayfield

***DOXOLOGY: 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.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*PURPLE HYMNAL #236

"The Strife is O'er"

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

"Alleluia"
Gilead Singers

Iona Community

POSTLUDE

"Eastertide"
Mary Temple, organ

by Ludwig van Beethoven/*Lyrical Davidica*
arr. by Gail Leven Pollock

*The congregation is invited to stand. **BOLD:** Congregation responds/sings