

This Week at Gilead

Today, Sunday, February 2

- 9:10 a.m. Gilead Singers rehearse.
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship.
- Following worship, join us for coffee and fellowship in the lounge.
- Called Session meeting following worship, in the lounge.
- Deacons meeting following worship, in the large classroom.

Monday, February 3

- 11:00 a.m. Stretch Exercise Class

Wednesday, February 5

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

Thursday, February 6

- 11:00 a.m. Stretch Exercise Class
- 7:00 p.m. Gilead Singers rehearsal. New members welcome!

Friday, February 7

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

Sunday, February 9

- 9:10 a.m. Gilead Singers rehearse.
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship. Paul Francis, preaching.
- Church School Valentine's Day party during worship. Please bring a snack to share!
- Joint Elders & Deacons meeting following worship. Location TBA.

Upcoming

Tuesday, February 11th- Stated Session meeting, 6:30 p.m. in the manse.

Friday, February 14th- Reports for the annual Congregational Meeting due. Send yours to Mariah Warren at gaelcat@comcast.net.

Saturday, February 22nd- "Create with Tina," 5:30 p.m. See insert for details.

Sunday, February 23rd- Annual Congregational Meeting. See insert for details.

Monthly Mission: Our January-February mission is supporting a Habitat for Humanity program near us, in either Danbury, CT or Dutchess County. Habitat's belief is that every family deserves an affordable, safe place to call home. Families chosen by Habitat participate in the building of their future homes. Please support this mission so that all of our neighbors have a home. A donation box is in the lounge.

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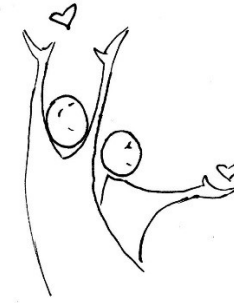
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Convinced of God's Grace, we affirm that there can be no exclusiveness in the body of Christ. We welcome all regardless of race, ethnic heritage, national origin, age, ability, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, or socioeconomic standing;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

Sunday, February 2, 2025, 10:00 a.m.

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C; Communion Sunday

We welcome Elizabeth Ojeda-Petito to the pulpit today!

OPENING MUSIC

"Adoration"

by Florence Price

Juergen Tempel, cello

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.

CALL TO WORSHIP (Matthew 22:36-40)

³⁶ "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" ³⁷ He said to him, "You **shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.**" ³⁸ This is the greatest and first commandment. ³⁹ And a second is like it: '**You shall love your neighbor as yourself.**' ⁴⁰ **On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets."**

***GRAY HYMNAL #573**

"God of Our Fathers"

(with Justin Perez & Zoe Temple, trumpet duet)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, we acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; we have not loved you with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. Deepen within us our understanding for the good we have left undone, and our commitment to one another as your kingdom of Heaven made real on Earth. 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 "How Insensitive" Antonio Carlos Jobim
Billy Petito & Zoe Temple, guitar duet

TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART "What is a Friend?"
The children are dismissed to Sunday School.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

⁹ Let love be genuine; hate what is evil; hold fast to what is good; ¹⁰ love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹ Do not lag in zeal; be ardent in spirit; serve the Lord. ¹² Rejoice in hope; be patient in affliction; persevere in prayer. ¹³ Contribute to the needs of the saints; pursue hospitality to strangers. ¹⁴ Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵ Rejoice with those who rejoice; weep with those who weep. ¹⁶ Live in harmony with one another; do not be arrogant, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. ¹⁷ Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. ¹⁸ If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. *Romans 12:9-18*

³² "If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. ³³ If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. ³⁴ If you lend to those from whom you expect to receive payment, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. ³⁵ Instead, love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. ³⁶ Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. *Luke 6:32-36*

SERMON "Love Thy Neighbor" Elizabeth Ojeda-Petito

***GRAY PURPLE HYMNAL #323 "Let Us Break Bread Together"**

THE OFFERING
OFFERTORY "He Came Down that We May Have Love" Trad. Cameroon
Gilead Singers

***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**

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

For those joining virtually, all are invited to partake of bread and wine or any substance that feels appropriate; or take in the sacrifice of the Lord symbolically. For those joining physically, the individual Communion sets contain juice; in the trays the red is wine and the yellow is juice.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

COMMUNION MUSIC

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.

CONG. RESPONSE (PURPLE HYMNAL #469) "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

***GRAY HYMNAL #66**

"To God Be the Glory"

***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL BENEDICTION**

"What Does the Lord Require of You?"

POSTLUDE

"O Worship the King"

Mary Temple, organ

by Johann M. Haydn

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

Thank you to our Lay Reader today, Mariah Warren and our videographers, Lexie Fischer and Stephanie Gould.

Our flowers today are given by the Warren Family in celebration of Ben's birthday this Thursday and in memory of his birthday twin, Joan Francis.

lounge. The cost of \$40 covers supplies and proceeds will benefit Gilead. Invite your friends for an evening of fun and fellowship!

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