

This Week at Gilead

Today, Sunday, February 16

- 8:30 a.m. Gilead Bell Chimes rehearsal for new ringers.
- 9:10 a.m. Gilead Singers rehearse.
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship.
- Following worship, join us for coffee and fellowship in the lounge.

Monday, February 17

- 11:00 a.m. Stretch Exercise Class

Wednesday, February 19

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

Thursday, February 20

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

Friday, February 21

- 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Gilead Food Pantry
- Reports for the annual Congregational Meeting due! Send yours to Mariah Warren at gaelcat@comcast.net.

Saturday, February 22

- 5:30 p.m. "Create with Tina" art & fellowship. \$40 p.p. Bring a snack to share!

Sunday, February 23

- 8:30 a.m. Gilead Bell Chimes rehearse to play in worship.
- 9:10 a.m. Gilead Singers rehearse.
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship. Elizabeth Murphy preaching.
- 11:15 a.m. Annual Congregational Meeting in the Sanctuary. 2025 budget to be presented and this year's slate of elder/deacons voted in. Please plan to stay for this brief yet important meeting.

Upcoming

Saturday, March 1st- Carmel Rotary Community Basketball Challenge, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Collect pledges for each basket made. All money raised benefits Gilead's Food Pantry. See Leslie Palmieri for a pledge form.

Sunday, March 2nd- Our Bible study, "Loved Carved in Stone," will meet following worship.

Wednesday, March 5th- Presbyterian Women's Ash Wednesday Retreat at Holmes Camp and Retreat Center, 10:00 a.m. Light breakfast will be served, courtesy of Gilead.

-Ash Wednesday service at Gilead, 7:30 p.m.

Monthly Mission: Our Jan.-Feb. mission is supporting our local Habitat for Humanity. Habitat's belief is that every family deserves an affordable, safe place to call home. Please help us to support this mission! A donation box is in the lounge.

GILEAD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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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, February 16, 2025, 10:00 a.m.

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

We welcome Ruling Elder Paul Francis to the pulpit today!

OPENING MUSIC

"My Jesus, I Love Thee" by Sharon Elery Rogers
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.

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 138)

Leader: I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods I will sing your praise.

People: All the kings of the earth will praise you, O Lord, when they have heard the words of your mouth. They will sing of the ways of the Lord, that great is the glory of the Lord.

Leader: Though the Lord be high, he cares for the lowly; he perceives the haughty from afar.

People: Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.

***GRAY HYMNAL #344**

"He's got the Whole World in His Hands"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, our protector, provider, and source of all blessings, we come to you knowing we often fail to be the people you created us to be. We focus on our own desires and ignore the needs of those around us. We are quick to react, letting our emotions guide our actions rather than following your command to love above all. We let fear speak louder than all other voices, keeping us trapped in patterns of behavior that diminish the light you call us each to be. Help us to listen to the still, small voice of your Spirit within us, guiding us and calling us to be our best selves for the good of your people. Amen.

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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

“Lord, I Want to Be a Christian”
Gilead Singers

African-American Spiritual

TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

The children are dismissed to Sunday School.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

¹ In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty, and the hem of his robe filled the temple. ² Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. ³ And one called to another and said, “Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.” ⁴ The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. ⁵ And I said, “Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips, yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!” ⁶ Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. ⁷ The seraph touched my mouth with it and said, “Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out. ⁸ Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” And I said, “Here I am; send me!” ⁹ And he said, “Go and say to this people: ‘Keep listening, but do not comprehend; keep looking, but do not understand.’ ¹⁰ Make the mind of this people dull, and stop their ears, and shut their eyes, so that they may not look with their eyes and listen with their ears and comprehend with their minds and turn and be healed.”

Isaiah 6:1-10

¹ Once while Jesus was standing beside the Lake of Gennesaret and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, ² he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gotten out of them and were washing their nets. ³ He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. ⁴ When he had finished speaking he said to Simon, “Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.” ⁵ Simon answered “Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets.” ⁶ When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to burst. ⁷ So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and

help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. ⁸ But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus’s knees, saying, “Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!” ⁹ For he and all who were with him were astounded at the catch of fish that they had taken, ¹⁰ and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, “Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.” ¹¹ When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him. *Luke 5:1-11*

SERMON

“Just Listen”

Paul Francis

*GRAY PURPLE HYMNAL #423

“There is a Balm in Gilead”

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”

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“Kumbayah”
Gilead Singers

trad. Spiritual

***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

*GRAY HYMNAL #505

“Love Lifted Me”

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

“God be with You til we Meet Again”

POSTLUDE

“Psalm XVII”
Penny Cameron, piano

by Benedetto Marcello
arr. by Denis Agay

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

*Thank you to our Lay Reader today, Roxanne Roth
and our videographers, Lexie Fischer and Stephanie Gould.*