

### This Week at Gilead

Today, Sunday, March 8 **Daylight Savings Time- set your clocks ahead one hour!**

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

Monday, March 9

- 11:00 a.m. Stretch Exercise Class

Tuesday, March 10

- 6:30 p.m. Stated Session meeting in the lounge.

Wednesday, March 11

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

Thursday, March 12

- 11:00 a.m. Stretch Exercise Class
- 7:00 p.m. Gilead Singers rehearse.

Friday, March 13

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

Sunday, March 15

- 8:30 a.m. Gilead Bell Chimes rehearse to play during worship.
- 9:10 a.m. Gilead Singers rehearse.
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship

### Upcoming

Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>- Maundy Thursday Seder dinner, 6:30 p.m. Please sign-up in the lounge by Sunday, March 21<sup>st</sup> and note if you can provide food (recipes provided).

Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>- Good Friday Tenebrae Service, 7:00 p.m.

Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup>- Putnam Recreation Program for Habilitation “Bowling Tournament Fundraiser.” See flyer in the lounge for more information or talk to Mary Temple if you’re interested.

Calling all public speakers! If you would like to help lead our worship as a lay reader, we have a sign-up sheet in the office. We make lay reading easy by providing a script that you can check in advance to be sure there’s no crazy names in the Scripture reading! Choose the Sunday(s) that you’d like to read and thank you in advance!

### 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, March 8, 2026, 10:00 a.m.**  
**The Third Sunday in Lent, Year A**

OPENING MUSIC

“To God Be the Glory”

by William Doane

Penny Cameron, piano, & Mary Temple, organ

arr. by A.C. Whitworth

*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 (Psalm 95:1-7a)

One: O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

**All: Let us come into God’s presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to God with songs of praise!**

One: For the Lord is a great God, and a great ruler above all gods. In God’s hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are God’s also.

**All: The sea is the Lord’s, for God made it, and the dry land, which God’s hands have formed.**

One: O come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

**All: For the Lord is our God, and we are the people of God’s pasture, and the sheep of God’s hand.**

**\*GRAY HYMNAL #2**

**“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER & INVITATION TO CONFESSION

**UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Lord, you know who we are. You know everything we have done. We thirst for things that will never satisfy us. We commit ourselves to things that will never last. We worship things that will never bring salvation. Still, you offer us the gift of living water. Still, you offer us the gift of eternal life. Forgive us, O Lord, and give us this living water, so that we may never thirst again. Amen.**

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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**\*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 (G#172)

“Tell Me the Story of Jesus”  
Gilead Singers

text by Fanny Crosby  
music by John R. Sweeney

TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

*The children are dismissed to Sunday School.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

At the LORD’s command, the whole community of Israel left the wilderness of Sin and moved from place to place. Eventually they camped at Rephidim, but there was no water there for the people to drink. So once more the people complained against Moses. “Give us water to drink!” they demanded. “Quiet!” Moses replied. “Why are you complaining against me? And why are you testing the LORD?” But tormented by thirst, they continued to argue with Moses. “Why did you bring us out of Egypt? Are you trying to kill us, our children, and our livestock with thirst?” Then Moses cried out to the LORD, “What should I do with these people? They are ready to stone me!” The LORD said to Moses, “Walk out in front of the people. Take your staff, the one you used when you struck the water of the Nile, and call some of the elders of Israel to join you. I will stand before you on the rock at Mount Sinai. Strike the rock, and water will come gushing out. Then the people will be able to drink.” So Moses struck the rock as he was told, and water gushed out as the elders looked on. Moses named the place Massah (which means “test”) and Meribah (which means “arguing”) because the people of Israel argued with Moses and tested the LORD by saying, “Is the LORD here with us or not?”

*Exodus 17:1-7, New Living Translation*

The word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

“Are You There, God? It’s Us, Your People”

Rev. Summer Sattora

**\* GRAY HYMNAL #51 “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”**

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (excerpted from the Confession of 1967)

**God’s sovereign love is a mystery beyond the reach of the human mind. Human thought ascribes to God superlatives of power, wisdom, and goodness. But God reveals divine love in Jesus Christ by showing power in the form of a servant, wisdom in the folly of the cross, and goodness in receiving sinful men and women. The power of God’s love in Christ to transform the world discloses that the Redeemer is the Lord and Creator who made all things to serve the purpose of God’s love.**

PASTORAL PRAYER

**THE LORD’S PRAYER (debts, debtors)**

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

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY (G#177)

“What Wondrous Love Is This?”

American Folk Hymn

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

**\*GRAY HYMNAL #52**

**“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”**

\*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL BENEDICTION (P#70)

“What Does the Lord Require of You?”

POSTLUDE

“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”

Penny Cameron, piano, and Mary Temple, organ

by Anthony Showalter

arr. by Albin Whitworth

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



*Thank you to our Lay Reader today  
and to our A/V team: Lexie Fischer, Stephanie Gould, and Josh Steinberg.*

*Portions of today’s service were written by Baron Mullis  
and provided for free distribution by Presbyterian Outlook*

*Our Sanctuary flowers today have been given by Mary Temple  
in loving memory of Jenny Temple  
and in honor of Lucy Temple on her 16<sup>th</sup> birthday.*