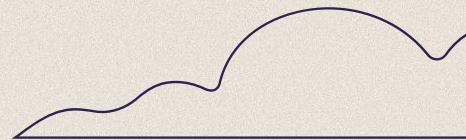


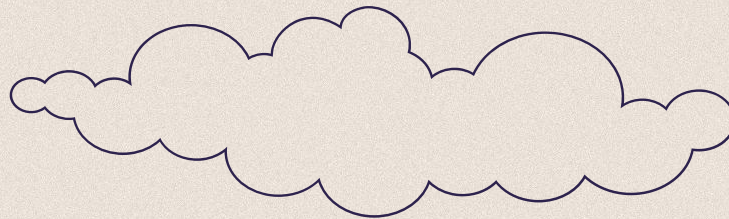
# PRELUDE

**Children's  
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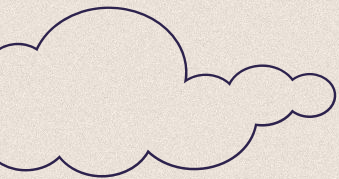
The Sound of the Shofar calls us to worship



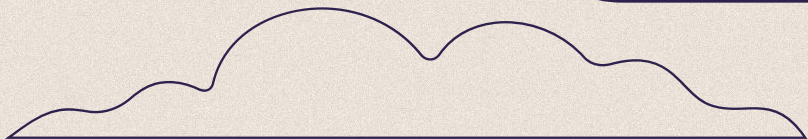




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God bless  
you

# WELCOME

Welcome to the United Presbyterian Church of  
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# OPENING PRAYER

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**Almighty God unto whom all hearts and minds are open, and from whom nothing is hidden, have mercy on creation. Grant us the grace to worship you in spirit and truth. Please cleanse us from sin and accept our thanksgiving and praise offerings. In the mighty and holy name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.**





# ANNOUNCEMENTS

<i>Task</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Date</i>
<i>Annual Meeting</i>	As many members as can are expected to be present.	Sunday, March 17
<i>Annual Reports</i>	Were due in the office by the close of business on Friday, March 8.	Friday, March 8
<i>Morning devotions</i>	Morning devotions are held Mon-Fri @ 6:00 am via Zoom.	Monday-Friday, 6 AM
<i>Midweek Service</i>	The midweek service is Thursday @ 7:30 pm via YouTube.	Thursday, 7:30 PM
<i>Annual Pledge</i>	There is still time to submit your annual pledge in person or online.	



# RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

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The Lord is good and greatly to be praised.

**He is our strength and our salvation.**

We place our trust in the Lord.

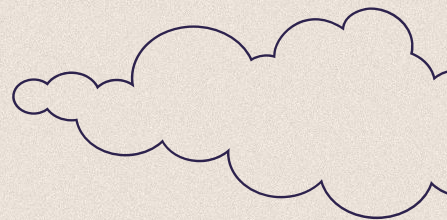
**For the Lord is faithful, from everlasting to everlasting.**

He is the Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer.

**Praise the Lord!**



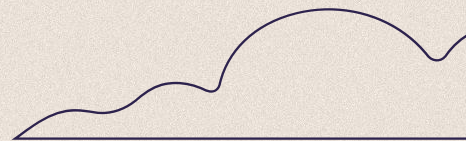




# OPENING HYMN



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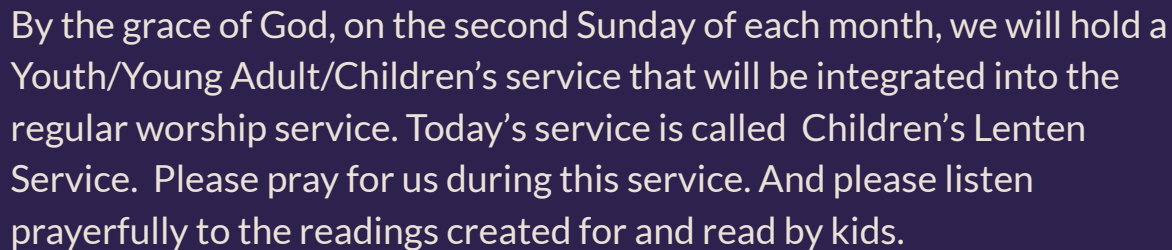


This is My Father's World



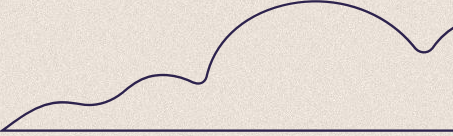




# CHILDREN'S LENTEN SERVICE



By the grace of God, on the second Sunday of each month, we will hold a Youth/Young Adult/Children's service that will be integrated into the regular worship service. Today's service is called Children's Lenten Service. Please pray for us during this service. And please listen prayerfully to the readings created for and read by kids.





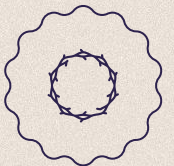
# SCRIPTURE READING

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Jesus said, “Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.”



**Matthew  
19:14**

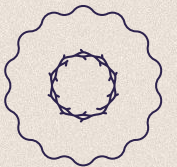
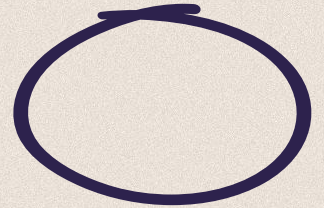




# *The Mission of Jesus*

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**This poem is borrowed from the book: *Twas the Season of Lent Devotions and Stories for the Lenten and Easter Seasons*, written by Glenys Nellist and illustrated by Elena Selivanova**





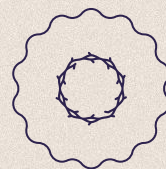
# SCRIPTURE READING

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Jesus got into the boat again and went back to the other side of the lake, where a large crowd gathered around him on the shore. Then a leader of the local synagogue, whose name was Jairus, arrived. When he saw Jesus, he fell at his feet, pleading fervently with him. “My little daughter is dying,” he said. “Please come and lay your hands on her; heal her so she can live.” Jesus went with him, and all the people followed, crowding around him. A woman in the crowd had suffered for twelve years with constant bleeding. She had suffered a great deal from many doctors, and over the years she had spent everything she had to pay them, but she had gotten no better. She had gotten worse. She had heard about Jesus, so she came up behind him through the crowd and touched his robe. For she thought to herself, “If I can just touch his robe, I will be healed.” Immediately the bleeding stopped, and she could feel in her body that she had been healed of her terrible condition. Jesus realized at once that healing power had gone out from him, so he turned around in the crowd and asked, “Who touched my robe?” His disciples said to him, “Look at this crowd pressing around you. How can you ask, ‘Who touched me?’”



**Mark 5:  
21-31**



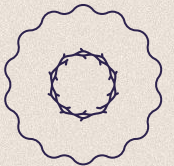


# SCRIPTURE READING

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But he kept on looking around to see who had done it. Then the frightened woman, trembling at the realization of what had happened to her, came and fell to her knees in front of him and told him what she had done. And he said to her, “Daughter, your faith has made you well. Go in peace. Your suffering is over.” While he was still speaking to her, messengers arrived from the home of Jairus, the leader of the synagogue. They told him, “Your daughter is dead. There’s no use troubling the Teacher now.” But Jesus overheard them and said to Jairus, “Don’t be afraid. Just have faith.” Then Jesus stopped the crowd and wouldn’t let anyone go with him except Peter, James, and John (the brother of James). When they came to the home of the synagogue leader, Jesus saw much commotion and weeping and wailing. He went inside and asked, “Why all this commotion and weeping? The child isn’t dead; she’s only asleep.” The crowd laughed at him. But he made them all leave, and he took the girl’s father and mother and his three disciples into the room where the girl was lying. Holding her hand, he said to her, “Little girl, get up!” And the girl, who was twelve years old, immediately stood up and walked around! They were overwhelmed and amazed.

**Mark 5:  
32-42**





# THE CHILDREN'S STORY TIME

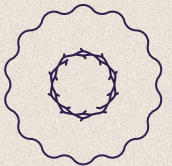
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## *David Slays Goliath*

A story of courage, hope, and faith in God



1 Samuel 17





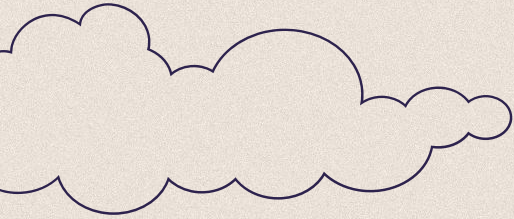
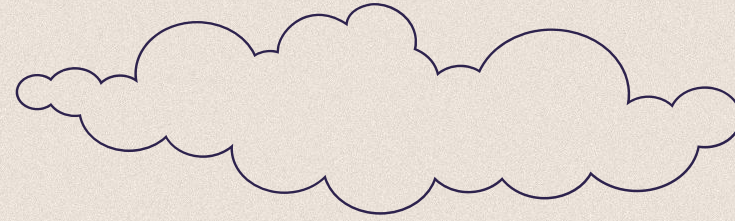
# THE JELLY BEAN PRAYER

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The Jelly bean Prayer is borrowed from the book *Beyond Giving Something Up, Lenten Activities for Children and Families* by Dana Michaels



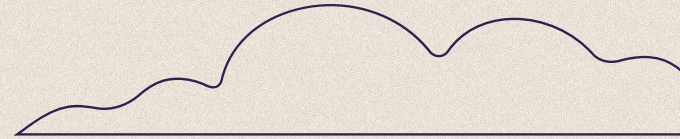




# HYMN

Jesus Loves Me

**GTG # 188**





# AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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We trust God because God cares about us.

**1 Peter 5:7**







Let there  
be light

# CALL TO --- CONFESSIO*N*







Dear God, thank you for loving and caring for and about all people. Thank you for all things good and beautiful. Help us be more like Jesus. Grant us grace to show compassion and mercy and to treat all people the way we want to be treated. Help those who are unable to help themselves. In the mighty and holy name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

— PRAYER OF CONFESSION





# PASSING THE PEACE





**PASTORAL  
REFLECTIONS**  

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**AND CALL TO  
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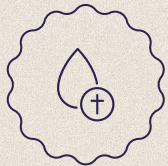


**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in  
heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us  
our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us away  
from temptation and deliver us from evil. For thine art  
the kingdom, the power, and  
the glory forever. Amen.**

**— THE LORD'S  
PRAYER**



# WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING







# CLOSING HYMN

Be Thou My Vision

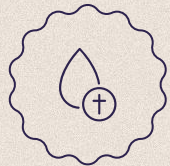


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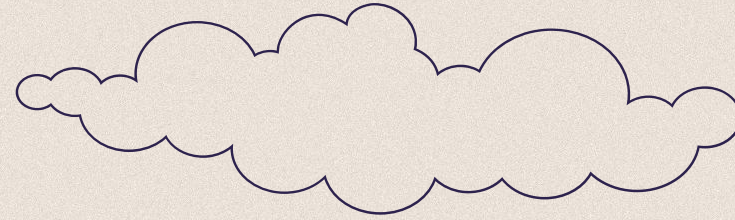




# THE BENEDICTION







# CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Amen

**Faith can move  
mountains**

