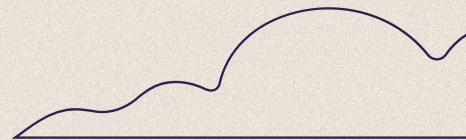


# PRELUDE

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





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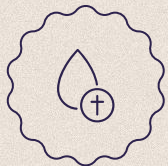
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**God bless  
you**

# WELCOME

Welcome to the United Presbyterian Church  
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# OPENING PRAYER

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Unto You, Lord, we lift our souls in praise. Our hearts sing hallelujah to Your mighty and Holy name. We come before your throne of grace with thanksgiving and praises in our mouths. Please accept our offerings as a sweet-smelling savor. May all that is said and done in this gathering glorify You and remind us of the purpose of Lent. We pray in the mighty and holy name of the Lord Jesus Christ. 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 16
<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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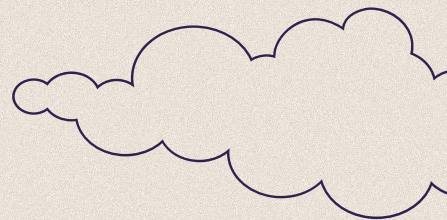
We, who believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, live in the shelter of the Most High,  
**In times of trouble, we are not afraid and shall not be moved because we trust the Lord.**

We say to the Lord, "You are my refuge and fortress; my God, whom I trust."

**According to Scripture, because we have made the Lord our refuge, the Most High our dwelling place, no evil shall befall us, no scourge come near our tent.**

For the Lord will command his angels concerning us to guard us in all our ways.

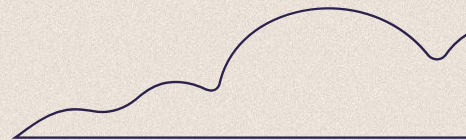
**Praise the Lord!**



# OPENING HYMN



**GTG # 275**



A Mighty Fortress is Our God



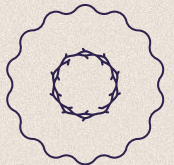
# SCRIPTURE READING

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When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey.



**Deuteronom  
y 26:6-9**

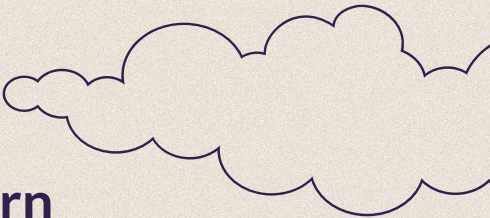




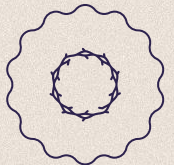
# ***THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH***

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**I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**



**The  
Apostles'  
Creed**



# CALL TO PRAYER

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LET US JOIN IN RECITING THE UNISON PRAYER





Let there  
be light

# CALL TO --- PRAY



# PRAYER OF PETITION

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Almighty God, who is everywhere present, all the time, your Son was tempted as we are. Guide us through this season so that we may not avoid struggle but open ourselves to blessing through the cleansing depths of repentance and the heaven-rending words of the Spirit. We pray in the mighty and holy name of the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.



IN UNISON



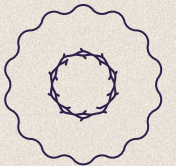
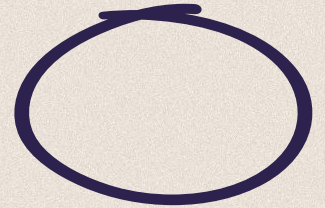


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**ASSURANCE GOD HEARS OUR PRAYERS**

**PASSING THE PEACE**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**



**PASTORAL  
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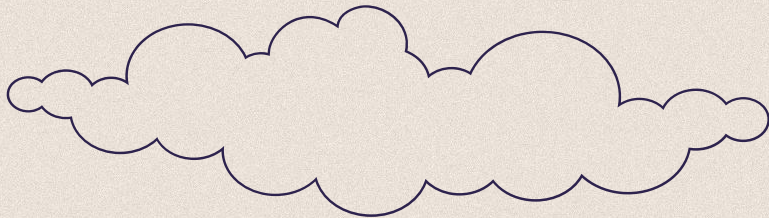
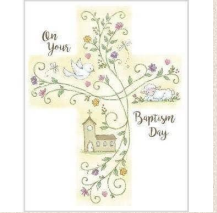
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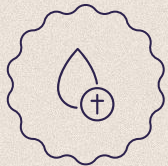




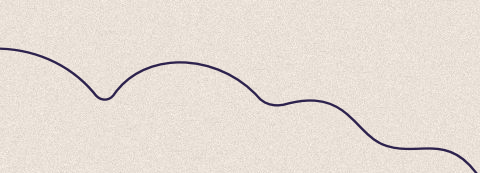
# JOYS AND CONCERNS




# PASTORAL 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 away  
from temptation and deliver us from evil.  
For  
thine is the kingdom, the power, and the  
glory, forever. Amen.**



**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

# WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING





# CLOSING HYMN

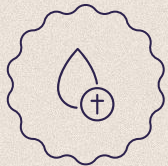
Abide With Me

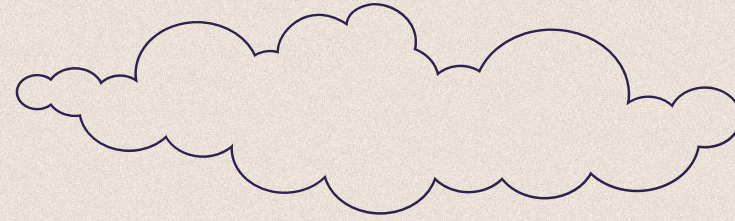


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# THE BENEDICTION





# CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Amen

**Persevering  
builds Strength**

