









EXPLORING FAITH. CHANGING LIVES.

Sardis Presbyterian Church is an inclusive congregation called to equip disciples of Jesus Christ to impact the world by:

-  **PRAISING** God our Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer
-  **LEARNING** about God's will for our lives
-  **LOVING** one another unconditionally
-  **SERVING** neighbors near and far
-  **SHARING** the gifts with which we have been blessed
-  **WITNESSING** to the Good News of Jesus Christ to provide hope for the world.

We are honored that you chose to worship God with us this morning.

If you are looking for a church home, we would love to help you explore the possibility that Sardis is the place God is calling you to worship and serve.

You are welcome here.



Sardis is a Stephen Ministry Congregation.

Sunday Worship

9:00 A.M.

Contemporary Worship

11:00 A.M.

Traditional Worship

Welcome to "On-line" Worship with Sardis Presbyterian Church

We are glad you are with us.

For everyone's protection during this COVID19 pandemic, church activities are limited per our Safety Task Force's and governmental guidelines. We will update the congregation via the Sardis website, www.sardis.org, email, and social media posts as needed.

Pastoral Emergencies: If you call the church office at any time and there is no one to answer your call, please listen to the phone message to be directed to the Pastoral Care Voicemail. Please leave a message, including a call-back number, and a Pastor will be in touch with you shortly.

Digital Offering options:

Option 1: Make a credit card gift online using your mobile device: go to sardis.org and click on "Make a Gift Now".

Option 2: Text 'Sardis + amount' to 73256 (ex. 'Sardis 100' = \$100)

Option 3: Click the QR code here to go directly to the secure online form.



THE CORPORATE WORSHIP OF GOD

January 10, 2021

PRELUDE

Fugue in C Major

Buxtehude

THE LIFE OF SARDIS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Katherine B. Harrington

CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 29

Carol and Clyde Preslar

One: Ascribe to the Lord the glory that is due God's name; worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

Many: The voice of the Lord carries across waters; the God of glory thunders upon the mighty oceans.

One: In the temple of the Lord, all are crying, "Glory!"

Many: For the Lord sits enthroned above the flood and will give strength and peace to the people of God.

HYMN

Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

Darwall's 148th

Glory to God Hymnal #305 / Blue Presbyterian Hymnal #430

Karen Carpenter, Wayne Docherty, John Hovis, Gwen Scott

Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!

For Christ the Lord has led us through the ages long!

In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now and praise the Lord!

**Long years have come and gone, and still God reigns supreme,
empowering us to catch the vision, dream the dream!**

In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now and praise the Lord!

**Let courage be our friend; let wisdom be our guide,
as we in mission magnify the Crucified!**

In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now and praise the Lord!

Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!

For Christ the Lord has triumphed o'er the ages long!

In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now and praise the Lord!

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God who formed the heavens and earth, and all that dwell in them - we gratefully acknowledge that by your Word you created us, and that by your Spirit, you continue to sustain us. Yet we have lived as though we were our own, and as though your world belonged to us. We have failed to be good stewards of your creation, and have conducted ourselves as though we belonged to ourselves.

Forgive our resistance to your life-giving spirit. Fill our hearts with gratitude and humility Empower us to embrace and display your holy claims on our lives, to the honor of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, your Beloved son.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the good news.

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

RESPONSE ##581

Glory Be to the Father

Gloria Patri

EQUIPPING YOUNG DISCIPLES

Sarah Dianne Jones

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Evelyn Margaret Stubbs

Parents are Elizabeth and Jonathan Stubbs; Grandparents are Mary and Tom Simpson

Participating Elder is Margot Smith

OFFERING (Please see options for giving noted on the first page.)

OFFERTORY

Let There be Peace on Earth

Miller/Jackson

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 1:4-11 (CEB)

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Acts 19:1-7 (CEB)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Baptism and Then What?

Rev. Dr. Joe B. Martin

HYMN

In Christ Called to Baptise

St. Denio

Glory to God Hymnal #297 / Blue Presbyterian Hymnal #n/a

Verse 1: **In Christ called to baptize, we witness to grace
and gather a people from each land and race.
In deep, flowing waters, we share in Christ's death,
then, rising to new life, give thanks with each breath.**

Verse 3: **In Christ called to witness, by grace we will preach
the lifegiving gospel; God's love we will teach.
By grace may our living give proof to our praise
In costly compassion reflecting Christ's ways.**

Verse 4: **Unite us, anoint us, O Spirit of love,
for you are within us, around us, above.
Equip us for service with gifts you bestow.
In Christ is our calling. In Christ may we grow.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and 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 and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

HYMN

God Be with You Till We Meet Again

Randolph

Glory to God Hymnal #541 / Blue Presbyterian Hymnal #540

**God be with you till we meet again;
loving counsels guide, uphold you,
with a shepherd's care enfold you:
God be with you till we meet again.**

BENEDICTION AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Jesus Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

POSTLUDE

Allegro Vivace

Gigout