

The Presbyterian Church of Palatine
3rd Sunday in Lent

March 27, 2011

10:00 a.m.

We Prepare for God's Word

*Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens,
and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me;
for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.
For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.*

Matthew 11: 28-30

Prelude

Amazing Grace
(Hymn # 280)

Shearing

Welcome

Time of Centering

*Opening Prayer (please stand)

Draw us together in your love, O God. May our restless hearts not resist you, but continue to search until they find their rest in you. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

*Hymn #370 (verses 1 & 2)

Just as I Am

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

God of living waters, we confess that we have often turned from you and wandered in our own wildernesses of fear and doubt. Our thirst mounts daily. We seek to be quenched by your love. But, when that love is offered to us, we often turn away, unable to truly believe that you would heal and love us. We have behaved in unloving ways. We have chosen to ignore those in need or to deal passively with them. Our hearts are not placed in service to others, but rather in self-serving motives. Heal us, merciful God. Wash us again in the living water. Help us be faithful servants. Amen.

Time of Silent Confession

Hymn #574

Lord, Have Mercy upon Us
Kyrie

**Lord have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

Assurance of Forgiveness

The waters of baptism are waters of mercy and healing, and they are poured over you. God is loving and faithful to those who come to God. Come, seek the loving presence and be healed. **Amen.**

***Song of Thanksgiving #78** (verse 1) *There Is a Redeemer*
(Lift Up Your Hearts Songbook)

**There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son;
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.
Thank you, oh, my Father, for giving us your Son,
And leaving your Spirit 'til the work on earth is done.
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***Passing the Peace of Christ** (The congregation may greet one another with the words "The peace of Christ" and a gesture of waving or a handshake.)

Announcements

Children's Moment

(please sing as the children leave the chancel)
**This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.**

We Listen for and Proclaim the Word of God

Prayer for Illumination

By your word, O Lord, you teach us. May your Holy Spirit grant us understanding and guidance to live your word. Lead us in the right paths of true spirituality. Turn our hearts and our eyes toward Jesus and confirm in our souls the beauty of your ways. **Amen.**

Reading from the Gospels

John 4: 5-42

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The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Called to Drink Living Water

Rev. Watt

We Respond to the Word of God

*Hymn #403 *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

Sharing of Tithes and Offerings

Anthem *My Shepherd Will Supply My Needs* Shearing

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayers of the People

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.

We Take God's Word into the World

*Hymn #281 *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

*Benediction

Postlude *The God of Abraham Praise* Young

*Please stand if you are able

Welcome to all who visit with us today! WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE!
Please sign the black friendship pads located in each pew
and pass them to others.

This Morning

Assisting in Worship: Abby Mohaupt, Seminary Intern

Organist: James Thunder

Ushers: Judy Lundeen (Head), George Auer, Adi Mehta, Mia Mehta

Nursery Attendants: Laura Caulfield, Brendan Caulfield, Josie Trujillo