

NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

2021 LENTEN VESPERS

Spiritual Gifts in Romans

7:00 pm Online Worship, Wednesday, March 24, 2021

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Prelude in B minor, Op. 28, No. 6

Frédéric Chopin
Todd Fickley, piano

CHIMES

WELCOME

Rev. Donna Marsh

LENTEN CALL TO WORSHIP

Romans 12:1-2

Dr. Nancy Fox

Brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God,

let us present our bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God,
which is our spiritual worship.

Let us not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of our minds,
so that we may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

Let us lift up our hearts and voices and together worship God!

HYMN *please sing!*

The Servant Song

1. Christian, let me be your servant. Let me be as Christ to you.
Pray that I might have the grace to let you be my servant, too.
2. We are pilgrims on a journey. We are family on the road.
We are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load.
3. I will hold the Christ-light for you in the night time of your fear.
I will hold my hand out to you; speak the peace you long to hear.

Richard Gillard

LENTEN CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

Dr. Fox

Forgive, O Lord, our sins of omission and commission,
our sins of body and soul; our secret and more open sins;
sins we have done to please ourselves—sins we have done to please others,
and our more deliberate and presumptuous sins;

Forgive them, O Lord, forgive them for Jesus' sake,
who died for our sins, reconciled us to you, rose for our justification,
and now is at your right hand to intercede for us, even Jesus Christ our Lord.

John Wesley

SILENT CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Believe the good news of the Gospel. **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.**

LENTEN RESPONSE TO PARDON

Holy, Holy, Holy

*Argentine Santo**Santo, santo, santo. ¡Mi corazón te adora!**Mi corazón te sabe decir: ¡Santo eres Señor!*

Holy, holy, holy. My heart, my heart adores you!

My heart pours out my praise to you: You are holy, Lord!

SCRIPTURE

Romans 12:3-8

Rev. Marsh

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.****MEDITATION**

Leadership

Rev. Marsh

1 Peter 5:1-7

SOLO RESPONSE

I Love My Shepherd

Luigi Zaninelli

I love my Shepherd, for he is kind; so gentle he and O so meek.

He labors long his own to find; lost, lonely lambs the Shepherd seeks.

I love my Shepherd, for he is strong; with watchful eyes he is our stay.

All those he calls to him belong; his helpless lambs the Shepherd saves.

My Shepherd's love will e'er abide; in pastures green his flock he feeds.

His tender hand will be my guide; his little lambs the Shepherd leads.

Dr. Michael Denham

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Dr. Fox

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 *please sing!**The Servant Song*

1. Christian, let me be your servant. Let me be as Christ to you.
Pray that I might have the grace to let you be my servant, too.
2. When we sing to God in heaven, we shall find such harmony
Born of all we've known together of Christ's love and agony.
3. Christian, let me be your servant. Let me be as Christ to you.
Pray that I might have the grace to let you be my servant, too.

BENEDICTION

Rev. Marsh

POSTLUDE

Etude in C minor, Op. 51, No. 17

John Varcoe
Mr. Fickley, piano

You are invited to celebrate Easter with us!

He is not here; for he is risen, as he said. Matthew 28:6

Come and discover that this is the best news of all! This season, we will journey together through Jesus' sacrifice for our salvation to his resurrection and victory over the darkness.

Leading up to Easter...

March 24	Wednesday Evening Vespers 7:00 pm online
March 27	4-5 pm Palm Branch Pickup Picnic for families 5:00 pm more info
March 28	Palm Sunday Service 11:00 am online
April 1&2	24-Hour Holy Week Prayer Vigil 8 am – 8 pm more info
April 1	Maundy Thursday Service 7:00 pm online
April 2	Good Friday Service 7:00 pm online and in person register here

April 4, Easter Sunday: *Rejoice with us in the resurrection of our Lord!*

- 8:30 am Traditional Service Online
- 9:30 am In-Person Outdoor Service in the NPC parking lot [more info](#)
- 11:00 am Traditional Service Online