



The First Presbyterian Church of Potsdam
Sunday, March 29th, 2020
Fifth Sunday in Lent

THOUGHT FOR REFLECTION

“Where there is no struggle, there is no strength.” - Oprah Winfrey

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*Please join in and speak in unison all **bolded** parts.

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted

Many: **But those who wait for God shall renew their strength,**

One: They shall mount up with wings like eagles,

Many: **They shall run and not be weary,**

One: They shall walk and not faint.”

All: **Let us wait upon the Lord.**

UNISON GATHERING PRAYER

We call upon you today, Living God, to strengthen and uphold us in our time of distress. Restore our bodies and our souls with your energy. May your goodness and mercy dwell among us this day. Come, we pray.

OPENING HYMN

What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine

#837 (see PDF)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Teach us to wait for you, O God when our impatience prompts us to do otherwise. Forgive us for turning so quickly to solve our own problems. May we learn to pause when we find ourselves in need, that our tarrying souls might discover the joy of your renewal. Lift us up. Revive our souls. Through the power of the Spirit we pray, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

TIME WITH THE YOUNG AND THE YOUNG AT HEART

ANTHEM

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 40:25-31 (NRSV)

SERMON

with Rev. Katrina Hebb

HYMN

Be Still, My Soul

#819 (see PDF)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE PRAYER OF OUR SAVIOR

Ground of all being, Mother of Life,
Father of the Universe,
your name is sacred, beyond speaking.
May we know your presence,
may your longings be our longings in heart and in action.
May there be food today for the human family
and for the whole earth community.
Forgive us the falseness of what we have done
as we forgive those who are untrue to us.
Do not forsake us in our times of conflict
but lead us to new beginnings.
For the light of life, the vitality of life
and the glory of life are yours
now and forever. Amen.

OFFERING AND OFFERTORY

Music by Lydia, Levi, and Isaiah Stauffer

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CLOSING HYMN

We are Marching in the Light of God

#853 (see PDF)

POSTLUDE

Thank you very much for joining us in today's remote service.
May health and happiness find you in these uncertain times.

Worship Leader: Rev. Katrina Hebb

Pianist: Gui Godoi

Special Musical Guests: Lydia, Levi, and Isaiah Stauffer

Clerk of Session: Suzanne Waters

Session Members: Terry de la Vega, Alicia Newcombe, and Renee Stauffer

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