

March 23, 2025

Prelude and Chimes

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Worship**

Leader: You who are thirsty:

People: Come to receive living water.

Leader: You who are hungry:

People: Taste the bread that satisfies.

Leader: You who long for connection:

People: Receive the fellowship of this community, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit.

Leader: You who search for love:

People: Experience the love of Jesus expressed in music, prayer, community, word and action.

Leader: May this time of worship fill and refresh you.

People: Let us worship God together!

***Hymn #22:** Sing Praise to God, Who Has Shaped”

***Passing the Peace**

Call to Confession

Let us confess our sins before God and one another.

Prayer for Transformation and New Life

Gracious God, sometimes we are disappointed by other people, too ready to dismiss or discard them. Help us to see in others what you see in them: their growth, the fruits that they offer. Forgive us when we too quickly judge others. Forgive us also, when we doubt that we can be worthy followers of you. May we be inspired to nurture your people and ourselves. Amen.

Words of Grace

God's ways are not our ways. Where we would condemn ourselves or others, God forgives. In the name of Jesus Christ you are forgiven.

Scripture:

Isaiah 55:1-9

Karen Yoho

Anthem: Gethsemane's Window by Lou Ann Shafer

Time With Young Disciples

Collect

Eternal God, in the reading of the scripture, may your word be heard; in the meditations of our hearts, may your word be known; and in the faithfulness of our lives, may your word be shown.

Sermon: "You, yes you, are invited"

***Hymn #202:** "O God, How We Have Wandered"

The Community at Prayer (*Joys and Concerns, Prayers for the People, Lord's Prayer, choosing to use debts/debtors, or trespass/trespases, or sins/sinners as is familiar to you*)

If you are watching online, type any prayer requests in the chat by the end of the sermon and we can voice them and get the names on the prayer list.

Prayer Response

Invitation to the Offering

(Opportunities to give for the ministries of this church are available through an offering plate during service, by mailing your gift to the church office, or by signing up for electronic giving through our website at <https://www.greenbeltcommunitychurch.org/>)

Offertory

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God for all that love has done
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

Dear God, take these offerings of treasure, and our lives, to use for your purposes in the world.

***Hymn #407:** "How Firm a Foundation"

*Commissioning and Blessing

*Choral Response

*Postlude

Service Prayers for the Third Sunday in Lent was written by the Rev. Ruth Garwood, a transitional pastor in the Heartland Conference, a certified facilitator of Sacred Conversations to End Racism, and a certified InterPlay leader.