

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

What is involved in genuine repentance or conversion? Two things: the dying-away of the old self, and the rising-to-life of the new. What is the dying-away of the old self? To be genuinely sorry for sin and more and more to hate and run away from it. What is the rising-to-life of the new self? Wholehearted joy in God through Christ and a love and delight to live according to the will of God by doing every kind of good work.

Adapted from the Heidelberg Catechism Q88-90

\*HYMN GTG # 833

“O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go”

\*THE BENEDICTION

\*THE CHORAL RESPONSE

*Go Now In Peace*

\*THE POSTLUDE - Merrie Shoemaker

“Lord of the Dance”

*Pastor: Rev Jake Young*

*Parish Associate: Rev. Jessi Higginbotham*

*Preschool Director: Cindy Stewart*

*Praise Leader: Rob Arthurs*

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## ***St. Giles Presbyterian Church***

***116 Foxridge Road, Orange Park, FL 32065***

***February 26, 2023***

***10:00AM***

***Rev. Jake Young, Pastor***

***Rev. Jessi Higginbotham, Parish Associate***

### **THE LITURGY OF PREPARATION**

*Please silence your cell phone during worship.*

*\*Those who are able please stand.*

THE PRELUDE – The Belles of St. Giles

“Gaelic Air”

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

If you would like more information about St. Giles or are interested in uniting with us please contact Pastor Jake or Pastor Jessi.

MINUTE FOR STEWARSHIP

Carter Cheatum

CALL TO WORSHIP

For forty days and forty nights,

*Led by the Spirit, Christ fasted in the wilderness.*

For forty days and forty nights,

*We prepare ourselves to meet the crucified and risen Christ.*

SONG OF PRAISE

“Ancient of Days”

St. Giles Praise & Worship Team

OPENING PRAYER

RESPONSE: (CONGREGATION SINGS)

*Seek ye first the kingdom of God and its righteousness*

*And all these things shall be added unto you Allelu, Alleluia!*

CHILDRENS SERMON

Carter Cheatum

\*HYMN GTG #41

“O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!”

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

When we stay silent, when we do not acknowledge what we need to change, we waste away. Our guilt turns into shame that eats away at us like a poison. God calls us to repent and be healed; let us turn to God.

\* PRAYER OF APPROACH AND CONFESSION

*Merciful One, we are so easily tempted. We turn away from your word so quickly. We seek anything that claims to save us from discomfort, inconvenience, pain, fear, and emptiness. But these are false idols, dissolving in the wind. You are our true hope and salvation, our hiding place, our guide, our guardian. We confess our transgressions to you: forgive our sins.*

*(Silent Prayer)*

*Amen*



## Ancient Of Days

Blessing and honor, glory and power, Be unto the Ancient of Days From every nation, all of creation, Bow before the Ancient of Days

Every tongue in heaven and earth, Shall declare Your glory Every knee shall bow at Your throne, In worship  
You will be exalted O God, And Your, kingdom shall not pass away  
O Ancient of Days

Blessing and honor, glory and power, Be unto the Ancient of Days From every nation all of creation, Bow before the Ancient of Days

### Chorus

Every tongue in heaven and earth, Shall declare Your glory  
Every knee shall bow at Your throne, In worship  
You will be exalted O God, And Your, kingdom shall not pass away O Ancient of Days

### (Bridge)

Your kingdom shall reign Over all the earth.  
Sing unto the Ancient of Days  
For none can compare To Your matchless worth,  
Sing unto the Ancient of Days



### Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

<sup>15</sup> The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. <sup>16</sup>And the LORD God commanded the man, 'You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; <sup>17</sup>but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.'

<sup>3</sup>Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, 'Did God say, "You shall not eat from any tree in the garden"?' <sup>2</sup>The woman said to the serpent, 'We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; <sup>3</sup>but God said, "You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die."' <sup>4</sup>But the serpent said to the woman, 'You will not die; <sup>5</sup>for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.' <sup>6</sup>So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. <sup>7</sup>Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves

### Roman 5:12-19

<sup>12</sup> Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned— <sup>13</sup>sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. <sup>14</sup>Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.

<sup>15</sup> But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. <sup>16</sup>And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgement following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. <sup>17</sup>If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

<sup>18</sup> Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. <sup>19</sup>For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.



### Matthew 4:1-11

4 Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. 2 He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. 3 The tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.' 4 But he answered, 'It is written,

"One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."

5 Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, 6 saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

"He will command his angels concerning you", and "On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone."

7 Jesus said to him, 'Again it is written, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test."' 8 Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour; 9 and he said to him, 'All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.'

10 Jesus said to him, 'Away with you, Satan! for it is written,

"Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him."

11 Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

### O Love Thou Wilt Not Let Me Go

Dr. George Matheson was a well known and respected Scottish clergyman born in Glasgow on 3/27/1842. During his youth he lost his eyesight yet was able to complete his theological education and then work as a successful minister, poet, and hymn writer. His courage while living with blindness became an inspiration to many and his music seems to reach out to those with disabilities in a special way. This classic hymn we sing today has been recorded by such singers as Amy Grant and the Gaither vocal band.

This hymn was composed under unusual circumstances. Matheson wrote: "My hymn was composed in the manse of Innellan on the evening of June 6, 1882. I was at the time alone. It was the day of my sister's wedding, and the rest of the family were staying overnight in Glasgow. Something had happened to me, which was known only to myself; and which caused the most severe mental suffering. It was the quickest bit of work I ever did in my life. I had the impression rather of having it dictated to me by some inward voice than of working it out myself."

from Hymnary.org.

## HYMN NOTES

### O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!

"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth." These may be some of the best-known words in the Bible, but in 1835, Robert Grant wrote a text that helps us see the creation story in a new light. His meditation on the creation theme in Psalm 104 consists of six verses that parallel the six days of creation. But rather than simply paraphrase the psalm or the first two books of the Bible, Grant focuses on how creation is a testimony to God's "measureless might." And Grant's beautiful text doesn't stop at Genesis Two. Rather, in the fourth and fifth verse we celebrate God's saving grace to his creation. When God took that seventh day of rest, he was not signaling an end. He continued to bless His creation, even those as feeble and frail as us. In the last verse, Grant points to Christ as the ultimate reconciler of a broken, but still beautiful creation. An original last stanza that we no longer sing reads, "The humbler creation, though feeble their lays, with true adoration shall lisp to Thy praise."

from Hymnary.org.



**BE A  
Prayer  
WARRIOR**

**Prayer Request  
Emails**

Please notify Carole Sanders of your prayer requests by phone or text (904-472-0533), or email [Carole2819@att.net](mailto:Carole2819@att.net); Contact the Church Office (Dee)

## ATTENDANCE

Date	Live Stream	10:00	Total
02/19	15	150	165
02/12	20	82	102
02/05	15	122	137

Kirkin Flowers

*In Memory of  
Kevin Porter and  
Carroll McDavitt*

2 of Life's Bonnie Laddies

Thank  
you

*Dee Adams & Family*

The Presbyterian Women are collecting:

- 1) Pop Up Sani Wipes—to clean classrooms
- 2) Pop Up Hand Sanitizer Wipes—for cleaning the hands of staff and students.

These 2 items are always in ongoing demand, and a true need in all their academic facilities.

Please put all donations in [Blue Bin](#) closest to Women's Restroom.

If you have any questions, please contact



### Dramatic Presentation

*"This Do In Remembrance of Me"*

By Carol Dulmes

Mauudy Thursday,  
April 6, 2023, 7pm  
(St. Giles)

Good Friday,  
April 7, 2023, 7pm  
(Starke)





PARKING LOT GARAGE SALE  
MARCH 25TH

PARKING SPACES STILL AVAILABLE!

SEE IRENE HARRELL FOR DETAILS

**2022 Giving Statements**  
are available via ShelbyNext.

If you are unable to  
print out your statement,  
please contact Dee in the Church Office.



Easter Egg Hunt  
April 1, 2023 @ 10am



11th - Trip to  
the Butterfly  
Farm in  
Gainesville

19th - Top 'o the Morning To Ya!  
A St. Patrick's Day Fellowship Event



**Scouts Derby**  
March 4th @ 10am