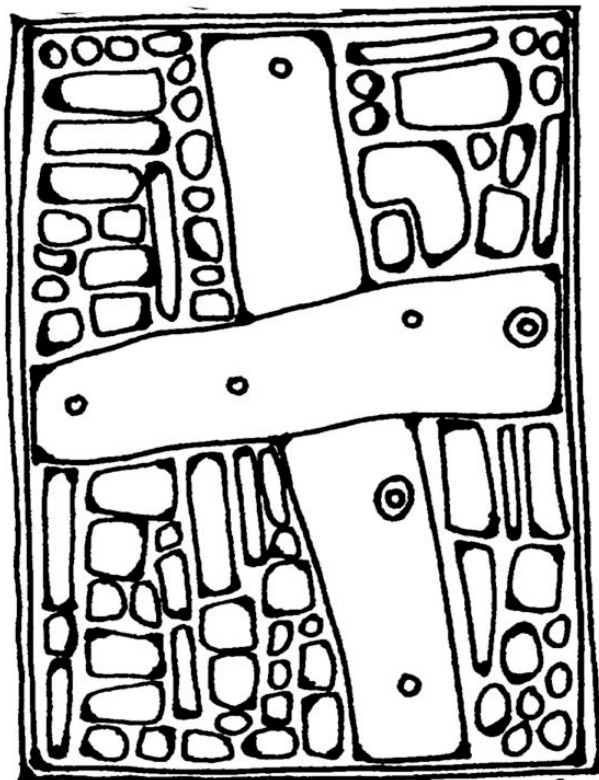


*Welcome to the*  
**Setauket Presbyterian Church**  
of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)



**2nd Sunday in Lent**  
March 12, 2017

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# The Setauket Presbyterian Church

Order for Worship

2nd Sunday in Lent, March 12, 2017

## LOVE GOD WITH ALL OUR HEART

### GATHERING MUSIC

#### RINGING OF THE STEEPLE BELL

ANNOUNCEMENTS (Today is Girl Scout Sunday!)

INTROIT: Light Enters *Love Divine, All Love Excelling*  
SPC Handbell Choir

Wesley/Barbara B. Kinyon

#### CALL TO WORSHIP (from a tenth-century African hymn)

The cross is the way of the lost,  
The cross is the staff of the wanderer.

**The cross is the strength of the weak.**

**The cross is the hope of the hopeless.**

The cross is the freedom of the slave,  
The cross is the fountain for the thirsty.

**The cross is the water for the seeds.**

**The cross is the cloth of the naked.**

\* HYMN 700 *I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me*

#### PRAYER FOR RECONCILIATION

Gracious and patient God, how often we must surely try you. Clinging to our prejudices, our passivity, our self-protective apprehensions, we refuse the Cross of Christ, on which in our human flesh you died to make us whole. Forgive our ingratitude, our small-mindedness, our worship of gods of our own making. Bind up our brokenness, for none of our excuses will save us. We ask for your grace, confident in your love. We sit in silence together, each offering to you our grief for all the ways we have served other gods than you this week...

*(Silent Prayer, closing after a time with...)*

Sung Supplication *Lamb of God*

Paul Vasile

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: Have mercy, have mercy on us. (2x)*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: Grant us, O grant us your peace.*

#### Assurance of God's Grace

...Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel:

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

#### THE CHILDREN COME FORWARD

#### ORDINATION and INSTALLATION OF CHURCH OFFICERS

**Elders:** Mark Aicher\*, Linda Obernauer\*, Debra Sabatini Dwyer\*, Joan Marino\* (one year), Greg Senf, Anne D. Shybunko-Moore, Eleanor Kopp (one year); (\*to be installed only, already ordained)

**Deacons:** Margaret Parker, Bruce Lloyd, Frank J. Miranda Jr., Patricia Siegal, Susan Spagnoli, Hallie Wastiewiz (one year)

## Questions to Officers-elect and to the Congregation

### Prayer of Ordination and Installation

#### Congregational Unison Prayer of Commitment and Support

God of grace, who called us to common ministry as ambassadors of Christ, trusting us with the message of reconciliation: give us courage and discipline to follow where your servants rightly lead us; that together we may declare your wonderful deeds and show your love to the world; through Jesus Christ the Lord of all. Amen.

#### Recognition and Thanksgiving for Faithful Service

We recognize those who were called by God through the voice of the church to give service, and who today conclude their current terms on the session and deacons.

**We remember with joy our common calling to serve Christ. We celebrate and give thanks for God's call to all who minister among us.**

Let us pray:

**Eternal God, look mercifully upon this church, and upon these your servants, whose particular service we recognize today. We praise you for joy and accomplishments and for your grace which has nurtured and sustained us and them. Bind us ever closer to one another and draw us nearer to our Lord Jesus Christ, who taught us when we pray to say...**

#### The Lord's Prayer

(Children should proceed to their church school class.)

## LOVE GOD WITH ALL OUR MIND

### SUNG PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Hymn 469 *Lord, Listen to Your Children*

*Lord, listen to your children praying. Lord, send your Spirit in this place.*

*Lord, listen to your children praying. Send us love; send us power; send us grace.*

### FIRST LESSON Isaiah 58:1-91

### ANTHEM *A Mother's Lullaby*

Barbara B. Kinyon

### SECOND LESSON II Corinthians 13:3b-8

### SERMON *Looking Good on Wood*

Rev. Mary Speers

### \* HYMN 718 *Take Up Your Cross*

## LOVE GOD WITH ALL OUR STRENGTH

### MINUTE FOR STEWARDSHIP

### OFFERTORY *One Hand, One Heart*

Lenny/arr. Dwana Holroyd

(Please sign the Friendship Roster found at the end of the pew, noting the name of fellow worshippers when it is returned.)

### \* DOXOLOGY no. 592 (alt)

## PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Gracious God, all we have comes from you, and in returning these offerings to you, we offer our lives in your service. Follow these gifts with your blessing, for you feed us all, in this life and the life to come. Amen.

## LOVE OUR NEIGHBOR AS OURSELF

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *with responses:*

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

\* **HYMN 213**     *In the Cross of Christ I Glory*

### CLOSING RESPONSES *(from the Iona Community)*

The cross, **WE SHALL TAKE IT.**  
The bread, **WE SHALL BREAK IT.**  
The pain, **WE SHALL BEAR IT.**  
The joy, **WE SHALL SHARE IT.**  
The Gospel, **WE SHALL LIVE IT.**  
The love, **WE SHALL GIVE IT.**  
The light, **WE SHALL CHERISH IT.**  
The darkness, **GOD WILL PERISH IT!**

**RESPONSE**     *Jesus Kind and True*

Children's Choir

### MUSIC FOR GOING FORTH

*\*please rise in body or in spirit; unison prayers are in bold.*

Large print bulletins, Bibles, hymnals and listening devices are available; please ask a Deacon.

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### NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 19

9:00 Knitting at 9 in the Parlor  
9:30 Worship Service with the Rev. Mary Speers preaching; Childcare (ages 1 - 3);  
9:45 Church School (Preschool through 6th Grade); Middle School Program (7th-8th Grade)  
11:00 Children's Choir in the Choir Room  
11:00 Adult Education Class in the Parlor

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