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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Service of Worship for the  
Second Sunday of Lent

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP at  
**FANWOOD**

TODAY IN WORSHIP

Our usher team this morning is Mike Camfield, Steve Falloon and Kris Adams. Our music team is led each week by Alexa Teebo, Luyang Liu, and Jason Rivera, with guest musician Brody Brown and AV support from Chris Mallari. Our service is streamed at [Youtube.com/@FanwoodPresbyterianChurch](https://www.youtube.com/@FanwoodPresbyterianChurch).

AROUND THE CHURCH BUILDING

Restrooms are available on the ground floor of the sanctuary, and can be accessed using the staircases at the parking lot entrance or the back of the sanctuary. Sunday School is available for elementary-aged students, and meets on the ground floor of the church building. A nursery for small children or babies is available downstairs for parents.

WAYS TO GIVE

If you would like to make a monetary donation to Fanwood Church, you can use Zelle ([fanwoodpcfinance@gmail.com](mailto:fanwoodpcfinance@gmail.com)) or the QR code to link to our online giving platform.



WHEN YOU ARE IN NEED

Our deacon ministry is available for prayer, hospital or home visitation, offering communion, and other care needs in our congregation and community. If you would like to request support or just speak with a deacon, email [fanwooddeacons@gmail.com](mailto:fanwooddeacons@gmail.com).

REFERENCES

Our music service is provided under the CCLI Copyright License 11039447, CCLI Streaming License 20099016 and CVLI Video License 504049131.

SCAM COMMUNICATIONS

Neither the Fanwood church office nor any Fanwood staff will ever ask for an urgent favor, the purchase of gift cards or other financial instruments.

*\* indicates that you are invited to stand in body or in spirit*

*fanmania!*  
Saturday, March 14  
at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York

**FOOD DONATIONS ACCEPTED**  
HELP US FULFILL OUR FOOD WISHLIST!

SCAN THIS QR CODE TO CHOOSE AND PURCHASE FOOD ITEMS FOR THE FPC FOOD PANTRY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

**Feeling LUCKY**  
JOIN US! FOR YOUTH BINGO  
(AND MULTIPLE CHANCES TO WIN PRIZES!)  
Where: Fanwood Presbyterian Church  
When: March 20th at 7:00pm  
RSVP: [FanwoodYouth@gmail.com](mailto:FanwoodYouth@gmail.com)  
free admission; donations accepted

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED

## GATHERING

PRELUDE "Trout" by Schubert

Luyang Liu

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING SONG "Improbable" by Britt Kusserow

*Everything's possible for a love that's improbable  
For a God that's unstoppable, are you ready to try?  
When nothing is permanent, resurrection is imminent  
For a Love that looks different than the fear in their eyes,  
I am ready to shine.*

CHIMING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The good news of the gospel is:

**All: manna in the desert, water turned into wine,  
love after loss, forgiveness after pain.**

One: The good news of the gospel is:

**All: release for the captive, hope for the hopeless,  
mourning turned to dancing, and strangers turned to friends.**

One: So come on in. There's no time to waste!

This surprising good news is here for you.

**All: Let us worship this good-news God!**

\* OPENING HYMN "Hear the Good News of Salvation" verses 1 & 2

CALL TO CONFESSION & SILENT PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Loving God, you invite us deeper into faith, deeper into relationship, and deeper into community. You invite us to your table, but we cling to the wall. We RSVP: "Maybe." We come up with excuses for why we can't attend. Forgive us for doubting the invitation, and forgive us for doubting our worth. Show us how to respond to you with confidence instead of hesitancy. And when we fall short of our goals and face disappointment, foster within us your joy and goodness. With gratitude we pray, Amen.**

SUNG PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison, Kyrie eleison.  
Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy.*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\* RESPONSE "Glory to God Whose Goodness Shines on Me"

*Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,  
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,  
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.*

*As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.*

\* PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

**PROCLAMATION**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

SCRIPTURE John 2: 1-11

SERMON



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## RESPONSE

OFFERTORY "In Christ Alone" by K. Getty Brody Brown, Alexa Teebo

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *from A Sanctified Art*

**I believe in the good news of Jesus Christ. It sounds like welcome and feels like home. It sounds like laughter and feels like mercy. It sounds like love and feels like a seat at the table, so I believe in the good news of Jesus Christ. I have seen it alive in the world. And even when my heart aches, even when wars rage, even when mercy feels out of reach, I remember the one who welcomed the children and led with nonviolence. I remember the one who cared for the vulnerable and inspired those around him. I remember that the good news really is good news, for I have seen it alive in the world. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

DOXOLOGY #592 "Praise God Throughout These Forty Days"

*Praise God throughout these forty days;  
Praise Christ, our Lord, whom God did raise;  
And praise the Spirit who imparts  
God's love in Christ into our hearts.*

## COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

COMMUNION MUSIC "Metamorphosis One" by Philip Glass Luyang Liu

## SENDING

\* CLOSING HYMN #375 "Lord of All Good" *verses 1 & 3*

\* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "It Is Well With My Soul"

Luyang Liu