Presbyterian Church of Western Springs  
Sunday, April 26, 2020 | 9:30 A.M.  
Worshipping Together  
The Third Sunday of Easter

WELCOME TO WORSHIP WITH THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF WESTERN SPRINGS!  
Like our siblings throughout the world, currently our congregation is gathering virtually with the assistance of electronic technology.  
Click here to join us live on Facebook at 9:30 a.m. to engage with others through real-time chat.  
Instructions for viewing the service live or the recording can be found at www.presbyws.org.

Gathering Together in God’s Name – Wherever We May Be

Prelude  
Valse (Deau Morceaux) For Laura  
Paul Banovic, flute  
William K. Brehm  
arr. by Howard Begun

Gathering & Greeting  
The Rev. Erik P. Khoobyarian

Call to Worship  
I love the Lord, because the Lord has heard my voice and my supplications.  
Because the Lord has heard us, we will call on the Lord as long as we live.  
What shall we return to the Lord for all the Lord’s bounty to us?  
Let us lift the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord!  
O Lord, we are your servants, you have loosed our bonds and we offer ourselves as thanksgiving to you.  
Praise the Lord!  
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Friends, let us worship God together – bringing ourselves as thanksgiving and praise to God!
Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (first in silence and then in one voice)

God, you have mysteriously called each one of us to bring your love into action in the world around us. Forgive us for the ways we have not loved. Forgive us for the times we have not answered your call on our lives. Loving God, as a church that is separated by social distance, it is hard to always know how to be your loving embrace. Help us to hear your voice calling in the night, and help us to be brave enough to hear your voice and follow you. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!
Song of Praise #238

Thine Is the Glory

Thine is the glory,
risen, conquering Son;
endless is the victory
thou o'er death hast won.

JUDAS MACCABEUS

Proclaiming the Word of God

Scripture Lesson

2 Kings 22:15-20

She declared to them, “Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: Tell the man who sent you to me, Thus says the Lord, I will indeed bring disaster on this place and on its inhabitants—all the words of the book that the king of Judah has read. Because they have abandoned me and have made offerings to other gods, so that they have provoked me to anger with all the work of their hands, therefore my wrath will be kindled against this place, and it will not be quenched. But as to the king of Judah, who sent you to inquire of the Lord, thus shall you say to him, Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: Regarding the words that you have heard, because your heart was penitent, and you humbled yourself before the Lord, when you heard how I spoke against this place, and against its inhabitants, that they should become a desolation and a curse, and because you have torn your clothes and wept before me, I also have heard you, says the Lord. Therefore, I will gather you to your ancestors, and you shall be gathered to your grave in peace; your eyes shall not see all the disaster that I will bring on this place.”

They took the message back to the king.

Song of Preparation

For All the Faithful Women (verse 1)

For all the faithful women who served in days of old,
to you shall thanks be given; to all, their story told.
They served with strength and gladness in tasks your wisdom gave.
To you their lives bore witness, proclaimed your power to save.

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Sermon

Women of the Old Testament: Huldah

The Rev. Erik P. Khoobyarian

Responding to God’s Word

Special Music

This is My Father’s World/
He’s Got the Whole World in His Hands
Paul Banovic, alto saxophone

Terra Beata/African American Spiritual
arr. by Brant Adams

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord’s Prayer

Please send prayer concerns by phone or email to Pastor Erik at erik@presbyws.org.
Click here to sign up to receive Thursday morning weekly emails from PCWS which include our current prayer list.
Sending Hymn #840

1 When peace like a river attendeth my way, when
sorrowed like sea-billows roll, whatever my lot, thou hast
taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.

2 Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, let
this blest assurance control, that Christ hath regarded my
helpless estate, and hath shed his own blood for my soul.
bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

3 He lives: O the bliss of this glorious thought. My
sin, not in part, but the whole, is nailed to the cross and I
Lord shall descend; even so it is well with my soul.

4 Lord, has ten the day when our faith shall be sight, the
clouds be rolled back as a scroll, the trumpet shall sound and the
it is well; it is well with my soul.

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Go in God’s Name

Passing of the Peace of Christ

The Lord Bless You and Keep You

Kara Leslie & John Leslie

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Blessing and Honor

arr. by Terry Osman

Thank you to Stephanie Coates, Amy Malone, Paul Banovic, Kara Leslie, and John Leslie for their leadership in worship today!

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