

VAN WYCK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Sunday February 11, 2024

PRELUDE

Janesta Williams

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Julie Graham

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 147:1)

Julie Graham

Leader: In the midst of meaninglessness,

All: God calls us to meaning.

Leader: In the midst of divisiveness,

All: God calls us to community through Christ.

Leader: Out of brokenness,

All: God calls us to wholeness and new life in the Spirit

Leader: In praise and thanksgiving, let us worship God.

*HYMN NO. 321 The Church's One Foundation

CALL TO CONFESSION

Julie Graham

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leader: Let us confess our sins to our God who saves, who brings life out of dead ends, and hope amid despair.

All: Gracious and loving God, through your Spirit, you move freely and gracefully through this world, transforming and mending the broken pieces. We confess that we often stumble through life, trying to survive on our own power. we feel paralyzed - numbed by fear, by old habits, by the efforts we expend in trying to impress others. We try to earn your grace through our own awkward endeavors, forgetting that all that we are comes from you. In your mercy, forgive us. Fill us with your Spirit of freedom, that our souls might run and leap to you and praise you, and that, through us, all the world would know your grace, peace, and truth. (Silent Prayer) Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Julie Graham

Leader: The mercy of God is from everlasting to everlasting. Friends, believe the Good News.

All: In Jesus Christ we are a forgiven people. Praise be to God.

*HYMN OF RESPONSE NO. 581

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

MESSAGE FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Rev. Dr. Craig Butler

HYMN NO. 288

Spirit of The Living God

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Julie Graham

SCRIPTURE

1 Corinthians 9:24-27

John 8:12

SERMON

Transformation

Rev. Dr. Craig Butler

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(The Apostles' Creed)

I believe in God the Father Almighty maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAISES AND PRAYER CONCERNS

Rev. Dr. Craig Butler

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE AND 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; lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

THE CALL FOR THE OFFERING**

OFFERTORY

*THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below; praise Him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

All: Accept these gifts, O God, as testimonies of our love for you and our desire to serve you. Let these offerings be an affirmation that we are bound to one another as your people. In your generous name we pray. Amen

*HYMN NO. 291 Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Dr. Craig Butler

*Stand as you are able

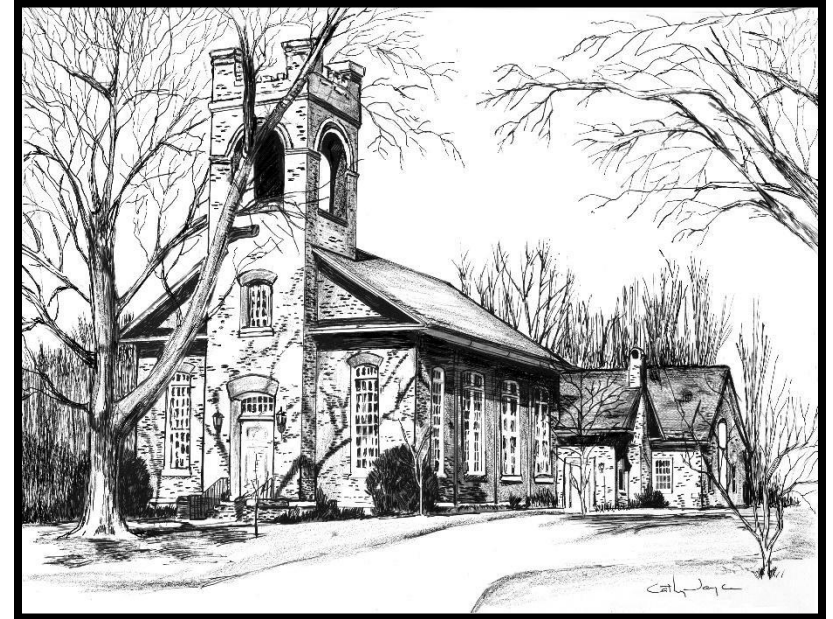
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Elder of the Day

This Week: Janet Campbell Next Week: Holly Massey

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Announcements

- Sunday Feb 11** 10:00m Sunday School
11:00am Worship
2:30pm Stated Meeting of Providence
Presbytery (Tirzah Presbyterian, York)
Commissioner: Elder Laura Clark
Alternate: Elder Holly Massey
- Monday Feb 12** 7:00pm Mission Team Meeting
Grounds and Safety Committees Meeting
- Tuesday Feb 13** 10:00am Sisters of the Heart
- Wednesday Feb 14** 7:00pm Ash Wednesday Service & the
Imposition of Ashes
- Sunday Feb 18** 10:00am Sunday School
11:00am Worship
5:00pm Annual Valentine's Party
- Tuesday Feb 20** 6:30pm Stewardship Meeting
- Sunday Feb 25** 10:00am Sunday School
11:00am Worship
7:00pm Presbyterian Women's Evening Group
- Tuesday Feb 27** 10:00am Sisters of the Heart

Happy FEBRUARY Birthday to YOU!

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| 4 – Jim Garrison | 17 – Stuart J. Graham |
| 5 – Jim Massey | 17 – Roy Sansbury |
| 5 – Mika Sinclair | 21 – Jeff Bean |
| 10 – Genevieve Cook | 29 – Nancy Garrison |

February Prayer List

- Disciples:** Toug Brunson, Annette Flanagan, Glenda Manus, Trudy Massey Walker, William Sims
- Friends:** Amelia Davis, Sharon Foster, Patty Harris, Suzanne Patterson, Joan Powers, Gail Stogner, Ashby
- Community:** Van Wyck and Lancaster communities, our teachers and students
- Providence Presbytery:** Faith Presbyterian Church (Lancaster)
Rev. David Bender
- Wider World:** Israel and Gaza, all affected by Hurricane Idalia, Libya, Maui, Turkey & Syria, Ukraine, Russia, our country and elected leaders
- Youth:** Cody Campbell, Harrison Cargill, Rachel Graham, Stuart Graham, Charlie Haynes, Alena Massey, Kate McCalmont
- Vocational and College Students:** Genevieve Cook, Carson Helms, Christian Moss, Ashley Overstreet, Devon Overstreet, Fritz Walker
- Homebound Disciples:** Eloise Williams, Vicky Lott
- Session:** Class of 2024: Linda Pelletier (Clerk), Laura Clark; Class of 2025: Holly Massey, Craig Denton; Class of 2026: Janet Campbell, Julie Graham
- Staff:** Donna Fox, Stuart Graham, Barbara McAfee, Janesta Williams, Rev. Carson Montgomery

Sermon Notes February 11, 2024

1) What in your life is battling to take first place over God?

2) What old ways of thinking and behaving hamper your spiritual growth?

3) What spiritual disciplines and exercises are you actively practicing?

4) How are you intentionally participating in the Kingdom of God?

5) What will you stop, or do less?

6) What will you start, or do more?