

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF LAWRENCEVILLE

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR
The Fifth Sunday in Lent
March 29, 2020 10:00 o'clock

Participating in the Service Today:

Preaching	The Rev. Kyle Anderson
Assisting	The Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Vamos
Musicians	James D. Moyer, Bo Child, John Timpane

The Morning Worship

The People's Preparation

I used to think the wilderness would never end.
I called my mom and asked— “Does time really heal all wounds?
Do the pieces ever fall back into place?
Does the wilderness go on forever?”

So she told me about the horizon.
She said, “There is an edge, where the earth meets the sky.
And when you're there, you will see daisies in the sidewalk and the sun after the rain.”

I asked her to draw me a map and she cried, because she knew this road was mine to walk,
but she promised to wait for me, day in and day out, for as long as the wilderness raged.

So I walked.
And it felt like forty days and it hurt like forty nights.
And I waved to the people I passed there in the wilderness.
We tipped our hats to one another, silently recognizing the weight we each carried,
until one day, I realized—
The earth always kisses the sky.
And the wilderness has turned into a garden, and I have made it out alive.

And my mother hugged me, there at the earth's edge.
And she whispered in my ear, that God was that gardener, and that I had nothing to fear.

So if you ever ask for a map, know that God and I will be painting seeds,
hoping to turn your wilderness into a garden.

For as long as the wilderness rages on, I will never stop looking for you where the earth
kisses the sky.

The Wilderness is a Place of New Life—Resilient Life by Sarah Are

CALLED

Prelude

Welcome and News of the Life and Work of the Church

Introit

Call to Worship

God is in the water that restores our souls.

And God is in the night when we lose our way.

God is in today and tomorrow.

And God is in this wilderness with us—every step of the way.

And so, together we confidently declare:

If God is in those spaces, then God is surely here—now—with us.

Let us together worship the God of creation.

Let us worship the God of wilderness spaces.

Hymn of Praise

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Call to Confession

Man in Black
Johnny Cash

Bo Child, John Timpane

Prayer of Confession

*Today, we participate in a spontaneous liturgy.
You're invited to offer your own prayers in response to the liturgical prompts.
For those who are able, we invite you to share your prayers
in the comments on our Facebook Live stream.*

**God you are...
But, we are...
Still God is...
Lord, help us to...
Amen.**

Assurance of Forgiveness

Children's Message

FED

Scripture Reading

Psalm 23

Song

A Boy Named Sue
Johnny Cash

Bo Child, John Timpane

Sermon

Point B: Redemption, part 4 in a sermon series
The Rev. Kyle Anderson, preaching

Hymn of Response

Great is the Faithfulness

Prayers 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.

SENT

Call to Offering

Doxology / Offertory Prayer

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

The Peace

May the peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Sending Hymn

We Are Marching in the Light of God

Benediction

Postlude

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We will continue to worship on Sunday mornings at 10:00 am via Facebook

WINK check in Sundays at 5pm via Zoom

Women of the Word (WoW) will be meeting every Tuesday at 7pm via Zoom

Be together with our church community informally on Fridays at noon via Zoom

The annual Women's Retreat in late April has been canceled.

Children of all ages Bible story and yoga Wednesdays at 7pm via Zoom.

Find ways to stay connected by visiting www.pclawrenceville.org/stayconnected

