

Second Parish OPC

Morning Worship

~ March 15, 2026 ~

Prelude

Announcements

Silent Prayer and Song Response

Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me.
Break me! Melt me! Mold me! Fill me! Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me.

The Lord Calls us to Worship

Responsive Call to Worship | Psalm 145:3, 9-10

Pastor: Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised, and his greatness is unsearchable.

People: The LORD is good to all, and his mercy is over all that he has made.

Pastor: All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD, and all your saints shall bless you!

We Respond in Prayer and Praise

Opening Song | *I Will Exalt You, God, My King* (verses 1-5, 12)

I will exalt you, God, my king; I will forever bless your name.
I will extol you evermore, day after day your praise proclaim.

Great is the LORD and greatly praised, greatness which none can comprehend.
Age unto age will tell your deeds, wonders and mighty acts commend.

Wondrous your works and majesty; I will upon them meditate.
Men shall your awesome deeds confess; I will your greatness celebrate.

People declare your matchless fame; praise for your glories they express;
boundless and great your goodness, LORD; they sing aloud your righteousness.

Gracious is God and merciful, plenteous in love, to anger slow.
Good is the LORD to all he made; mercy to all his works he shows.

Praise to the LORD my mouth will speak. Praise to the LORD my lips proclaim.
Let ev'ry creature evermore rise up and bless his holy name.

Prayer of Adoration

Songbook 8 | *Psalm 103* (verses 1-4)

Praise God, my soul! With all my heart let me exalt his holy name.
Forget not all his benefits; his praise, my soul, in song proclaim.
The LORD forgives you all your sins, and heals your sickness and distress;
Your life he rescues from the grave, and crowns you in his tenderness,
And crowns you in his tenderness.

He satisfies your deep desires from his unending stores of good,
So that, just like the eagle's strength, your youthful vigor is renewed.
The LORD is known for righteous acts and justice to downtrodden ones.
To Moses he made known his ways, his mighty deeds to Israel's sons,

His mighty deeds to Israel's sons.

The LORD is merciful and kind, to anger slow, and full of grace
He will not constantly reprove, or in his anger hide his face.
He does not punish our misdeeds, or give our sins their just reward.
How great his love- as high as heav'n- towards all those who fear the LORD!
Towards all those who fear the LORD!

As far as east is from the west, so far his love has borne away
Our many sins and trespasses and all the guilt that on us lay.
Just as a father loves his child, so God loves those who fear his name.
For he remembers we are dust, and well he knows our feeble frame,
And well he knows our feeble frame.

Service of Covenant Renewal

Responsive Scripture Reading | Matthew 6:25-33

Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? Therefore do not be anxious, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Lord, though you should guide us, we inform ourselves; though you should rule us, we control ourselves; though you should fulfill us, we console ourselves. We think your truth too high, your will too hard, your power too remote, your love too free. But they are not! And without them, we are of all people most miserable. Now heal our confused minds with your word, heal our divided wills with your law, heal our troubled consciences with your love, heal our anxious hearts with your presence, all for the sake of your Son, who loved us and gave himself for us. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon | 1 Peter 2:24-25

And He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; for by His wounds you were healed. For you were continually straying like sheep, but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Guardian of your souls.

Reception of Tristan and Brielle Swan and Baptism of Ellington, Vivian, and Graham

Response of Faith and Gratitude

Songbook 52 | *O Great God*

O great God of highest heaven Occupy my lowly heart
Own it all and reign supreme Conquer every rebel power
Let no vice or sin remain That resists Your holy war
You have loved and purchased me Make me Yours forevermore

I was blinded by my sin Had no ears to hear Your voice
Did not know Your love within Had no taste for heaven's joys
Then Your Spirit gave me life Opened up Your Word to me
Through the gospel of Your Son Gave me endless hope and peace

Help me now to live a life That's dependent on Your grace
Keep my heart and guard my soul From the evils that I face
You are worthy to be praised With my every thought and deed
O great God of highest heaven Glorify Your Name through me

Scripture | Ruth 2:1-23

Sermon | PROVISION

Response | *Gloria Patri*

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.

Benediction

Postlude