

A SERVICE OF WORSHIP OFFERED BY  
KISKIMINETAS PRESBYTERY  
March 14, 2020 – 10:00 AM  
Homer City United Presbyterian Church

PRELUDES

Mrs. Donna Jones, Organist

CALL TO WORSHIP (*Isaiah 58*)

The Rev. Timothy Monroe

L: Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice,  
to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free,  
and to break every yoke?

P: **Is it not to share your bread with the hungry,  
and bring the homeless poor into your house;  
when you see the naked, to cover them,  
and not to hide yourself from your own kin?**

L: Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,  
and your healing shall spring up quickly;

P: **Your vindicator shall go before you,  
the glory of the Lord shall be your rearguard.**

L: Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer;  
you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

P: **If you remove the yoke from among you,  
the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,**

L: If you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,

P: **Then your light shall rise in the darkness  
and your gloom be like the noonday.**

L: The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places,  
and make your bones strong;

P: **And you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water,  
whose waters never fail.**

L: Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations  
of many generations;

P: **You shall be called the repairer of the breach,  
the restorer of streets to live in.**

\*HYMN # 2022

*"Great Is the Lord"*

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Merciful God, we confess that we have wandered from your way of truth and life.  
You call us to share all that we have and work together for the common good,  
but we hoard up treasures for ourselves and deny others their daily bread. You  
call us to set the captives free and seek justice for the oppressed, but we live in**

**fear of our neighbors and hide ourselves from our own kin. You call us to walk in newness of life and to be witnesses to the resurrection, but we dwell in the valley of dry bones and keep silent about your saving love. Forgive us, God of grace. Set us free from sin, death and fear so that we may serve you with gladness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*GLORIA PATRI

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 25:31-46

SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Donald Wilson

\*HYMN # 2130

*"The Summons"*

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*excerpts from A Brief Statement of Faith*)

The Rev. Timothy Monroe

L: We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.

**P: Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives.**

L: We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father.

**P: In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image to live as one community.**

L: We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

**P: The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church.**

L: With believers in every time and place,

**P: We rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ our Lord.**

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

(Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

\*HYMN # 2241

*"The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve"*

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Mrs. Donna Jones

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*(\*All who are able, please stand)*

Some of this morning's service is taken from  
"Worship in a Matthew 25 Church, Resources for Congregations and Presbyteries"

All hymns sung this morning are found in "Sing the Faith"