



Fourth Sunday in Lent
March 27, 2022 @ 10:30 am

Worship & Installation Service
For Rev. Dr. Olive Mahabir

Special Music: The Chancel Choir; Rick Gomez

**Please stand in body or spirit.*

Music as we prepare our hearts and minds for worship

Chimes: Lenten Hymns

Organ Prelude

"Praise to the Lord"

Martin Shaw

Processional Hymn

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee
Glory to God Hymnal #611

HYMN TO JOY

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love!
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee,
opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
drive the dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee;
earth and heaven reflect thy rays;
stars and angels sing around thee,
center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
flowery meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird and flowing fountain,
call us to rejoice in thee.

Mortals, join the happy chorus
which the morning stars began.
Love divine is reigning o'er us,
joining all in heaven's plan.
Ever singing, march we onward,
victors in the midst of strife.
Joyful music leads us sunward
in the triumph song of life.

Welcome and Announcements

Moment for Ministry: Bruce Moore ~ Name Tags

Nursery care is available for infants through age 5 in Room 115.

Kids are an important part of our church family! Each Sunday, the children are welcome to use our Prayground space during worship; parents and grandparents may sit close by.

Kids and families who would prefer to sit together in the pews may pick-up worship materials to use during this time from the worship bag cart or the Prayground space.

*Call to Worship

One: We come to celebrate God's blessings to us, and we proclaim: Surely God is in this place!

All: We come to open ourselves to God's guidance and love, and we say: Surely God is in this place!

One: We come to see more clearly God's presence in our lives, and we cry: Surely God is in this place!

All: We come to see God in community, and we hold fast to the promise: Surely God is in this place!

One: We come to pray, praise, and offer ourselves to God, and we exclaim: Surely God is in this place!

All: God with us, alive and at work. Come, let us worship!

Opening Hymn

Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!
Glory to God Hymnal #305

DARWALL'S 148TH

1. Come sing, O church, in joy!
Come join, O church, in song!
For Christ the Lord has led us
through the ages long!

Refrain:

In bold accord,
come celebrate the journey now
and praise the Lord!

2. Long years have come and gone,
and still God reigns supreme,
empowering us to catch the vision,
dream the dream! **Refrain**

3. Let courage be our friend;
let wisdom be our guide,
as we in mission magnify
the Crucified! **Refrain**

4. Come sing, O church, in joy!
Come join, O church, in song!
For Christ the Lord has triumphed o'er
the ages long! **Refrain**

Opening Prayer

Old Testament Psalm 32

Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

² Happy are those to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

³ While I kept silence, my body wasted away through my groaning all day long.

⁴ For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.

⁵ Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord," and you forgave the guilt of my sin.

⁶ Therefore let all who are faithful offer prayer to you; at a time of distress, the rush of mighty waters shall not reach them.

⁷ You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with glad cries of deliverance.

⁸ I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you.

⁹ Do not be like a horse or a mule, without understanding, whose temper must be curbed with bit and bridle, else it will not stay near you.

¹⁰ Many are the torments of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the Lord.

¹¹ Be glad in the Lord and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart. Amen.

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Let us pray.

(In unison)

God of love and mercy, you call us to be faithful disciples of your son, Jesus Christ, and good stewards of all creation. Grant us the grace to understand, and the courage to accept the challenges and opportunities we have been given to advance the mission of your Church. We believe that you have given us everything we need to carry out your will. Help us be steadfast in faith, confident in hope and generous in charity. That in all things you may be glorified. Amen.

Children's Moment

Music Meditation

"For Everyone Born"

Murray, Mann; arr. Tom Tenney

New Testament Lesson Matthew 6:19-21

19 "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; ²⁰ but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Meditation

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;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

"Pray for One Another"

Please pray this week for the following members and families:

Ryan & Ellette Burke; Chris & Semmes Calvert, Colin, Leslie, Ian; Ron & Nancy Campbell; Dave & Helen Challenger; Ken Cheslack; Terry & Barbara Christopher; Megan Cimperman, Ralph & Dawn Cimperman, Madison; Tom Cimperman; Brent & Jen Clifton.

THE SERVICE OF INSTALLATION

CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS

QUESTIONS TO THE CONGREGATION

Constitutional Questions to the Congregation

a. Do we, the members of the church, accept Olive Mahabir as our Associate Pastor, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation, to guide us in the way of Jesus Christ?

We do.

b. Do we agree to pray for her, to encourage her, to respect her decisions, and to follow as she guides us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is Head of the Church?

We do.

c. Do we promise to pay her fairly and provide for her welfare as she works among us; to stand by her in trouble and share her joys? Will we listen to the Word she preaches, welcome her pastoral care, and honor her authority as she seeks to honor and obey Jesus Christ our Lord?

We do.

PRAYER OF INSTALLATION

Gracious God, pour out your Spirit upon your servant Olive whom you called by baptism as your own. Grant her the same mind that was in Christ Jesus. Give her a spirit of truthfulness to proclaim your Word from pulpit, table, font, and in the words and actions of daily living. Give her the gifts of your Holy Spirit to build up the church, to strengthen the common life of your people, and to lead with compassion and vision. As she serves, give to your servant Olive gladness and strength, discipline and hope, humility, humor, and courage, and an abiding sense of your presence. We pray that you would sustain this congregation in ministry, ground them in the gospel, secure their hope in Christ, strengthen their service to the outcast, and increase their love for one another. Show them the transforming power of your grace in their life together, that they may be effective servants of the gospel, offering a compelling witness in the world of the good news of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

DECLARATION OF INSTALLATION

CHARGE TO THE NEWLY INSTALLED PASTOR

Olive, may your soul magnify the Lord, and may your spirit rejoice in God our Savior, for God has looked with favor upon you. In everything you do, embody the goodness and mercy of our Lord. Proclaim good news to the poor, the vulnerable, and the oppressed. And may you find deep joy in the service of the Lord, and among the people you serve. May God bless and keep you from this day forth, and forevermore. Amen.

CHARGE TO THE CONGREGATION

My charge to you, the members of Northminster Presbyterian Church is to invite Olive in. Welcome her into your lives, and into your fellowship. Allow her to be a witness to God's presence in your life in the good, the bad, and in whatever is to come. Invite her passions and gifts, invite her ideas and opinions, invite her whole self, in all that God has created her to be and all that God has called her to do. By calling and installing Olive into this position, you have all affirmed that she is the person that God has called to be your Associate Pastor, so as you share in ministry with her, enable her to be the best pastor she can be, and allow yourselves to be the people that the Holy Spirit is leading you to be. Amen.

***Closing Hymn**

For All the Faithful Women

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Glory to God Hymnal #324 vs. 1, 2, & 3

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.

We praise your name for Miriam,
Who sang triumphantly
While Pharaoh's vaunted army
Lay drowned beneath the sea;
For Ruth, who left her homeland
and ventured forth in faith,
Who pledged to serve and worship
Naomi's God till death.

We sing of busy Martha,
who toiled with pot and pan
while Mary sat in silence
to hear the word again.
We praise the other Mary,
Who hastened to the tomb
And found her Lord arisen,
Dispelling doubt and gloom.

Benediction

Recessional

I, the Lord of Sea and Sky
Glory to God Hymnal #69 (vs. 1 only)

I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin
My hand will save.
I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

Refrain:

Here I am Lord. Is it I Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

Organ Response

"Thee We Adore"

arr. Margaret Tucker

Members of the Installation Commission

Rev. Joy Fisher: Congregational Consultant,

Presbytery of Greater Atlanta, Moderator of Commission

Rev. Dr. Marsha Snulligan Haney: Professor, Missiology, and Religions of the World

Rev. Juan Herrera: Senior Pastor, Hamilton Mill Presbyterian Church,

and Moderator of the Presbytery of Greater Atlanta

Ruling Elder Debbie Woodward: First Presbyterian Church of Jonesboro

Ruling Elder Cyndi Smith: North Decatur Presbyterian Church

Worship Participants

Brian Ward: Director of Youth and Young Adults, NPC

Jennifer Filpi: Spiritual Growth Coordinator, NPC

Thomas Vandervort: Member of the APNC and Elder at NPC

Rick Gomez: Director of Music, NPC

Jim Wingate: Organist, NPC

Olive Mahabir: Candidate for Installation, Associate Pastor, NPC

Patrick Day: Senior Pastor, NPC



The flowers today are given in honor of the installation of Olive by the Associate Pastor Nominating Committee.

Services for Holy Week and Easter Sunday

Maundy Thursday, April 14 ~

Worship & Communion @ 7:00 pm

Good Friday, April 15 ~ Outside Worship @ 7:00 pm

Easter Sunday, April 17 ~

Outside Worship & Communion @ 6:30 & 8:30 am

Sanctuary Worship & Communion @10:30 am

Easter Coffee served between the services under the tent.

Nursery available for all services except at 6:30 am.



EASTER *Eggstravaganza*

Please join us for our annual community Easter Egg Hunt! Petting Zoo with crafts and children's activities; age-grouped hunts begin at 11:30 am.

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