

**Glen Echo Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)
February 20, 2022**

Prelude
Welcome, Announcements, and Greeting
Opening Music

Patty Bellus
Rosemarie
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***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Come and learn the ways of life.

All: We have come to follow Jesus.

One: Love your enemies, and do good to those who hate you.

All: We have come to follow Jesus.

One: Bless those who curse you, and pray for those who persecute you.

All: We have come to follow Jesus.

One: Do unto others as you would have them do unto you.

All: We have come to follow Jesus.

One: Come and learn the ways of life.

***HYMN OF PRAISE "Come, Christians, Join to Sing"**

Come, Christians, join to sing: Alleluia! Amen!

Loud praise to Christ we bring: Alleluia! Amen!

Let all with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice;

Praise we with gracious choice: Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high, Alleluia! Amen!

Let praises fill the sky: Alleluia! Amen!

Christ is our guide and friend on whom we can depend;

His love shall never end: Alleluia! Amen!

***INVOCATION**

***GLORY TO GOD**

Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, gloria, alleluia, alleluia!

HEBREW SCRIPTURE

Psalm 37:1-11

Do not fret because of the wicked; do not be envious of wrongdoers, for they will soon fade like the grass, and wither like the green herb. Trust in the Lord, and do good; so you will live in the land, and enjoy security. Take delight in the Lord, and he will give you the desires of your heart.

Commit your way to the Lord; trust in him, and he will act. He will make your vindication shine like the light, and the justice of your cause like the noonday. Be still before the Lord, and wait patiently for him; do not fret over those who prosper in their way, over those who carry out evil devices. Refrain from anger, and forsake wrath. Do not fret—it leads only to evil. For the wicked shall be cut off, but those who wait for the Lord shall inherit the land.

Yet a little while, and the wicked will be no more; though you look diligently for their place, they will not be there. But the meek shall inherit the land, and delight themselves in abundant prosperity.

PRAYER HYMN

“Kum ba Yah”

Kum ba yah, my Lord, kum ba yah!

Kum ba yah, my Lord, kum ba yah!

Kum ba yah, my Lord, kum ba yah!

O Lord, kum ba yah!

Someone’s praying, Lord, kum ba yah!

Someone’s praying, Lord, kum ba yah!

Someone’s praying, Lord, kum ba yah!

O Lord, kum ba yah!

PASTORAL PRAYER/LORD’S PRAYER (debts)

GREEK SCRIPTURE

Luke 6:27-38

“But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not

ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you. “If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

“Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back.”

SERMON

“You’ve Got to Be Kidding”

Pastor Dawn

HYMN OF PREPARATION “Sister, Let Me Be Your Servant”

**Sister, let me be your servant. Brother, let me walk with you;
Pray that I might have the grace to let you be my servant, too.**

**We are pilgrims on a journey, fellow trav’lers on the road.
We are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load.**

Invitation to Commune

Rosemarie

Communion Sentences

One: Jesus tells us to love our enemies and do good to those who hate us. He invites us to follow his example.

All: **The gifts at this table, given by Christ, demonstrate that God’s eternal love overcomes the limitations of hate.**

Prayer of Consecration

(Please partake of the Bread of Life and the Cup of Salvation.)

***HYMN OF INVITATION AND DEDICATION**

"God, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"

**God, dismiss us with your blessing;
Fill our hearts with joy and peace;
Let us each, your love possessing,
Triumph in redeeming grace;
O refresh us, O refresh us
Traveling through this wilderness.**

***BENEDICTION**

***Benediction Response**

"God, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"

**Thanks we give and adoration
For your gospel's joyous sound.
May the fruits of your salvation
In our hearts and lives abound;
Ever faithful, ever faithful,
To your truth may we be found.**

POSTLUDE

**Please stand if you are comfortably able to do so.*

(Please place your offerings in the basket at the back of the sanctuary.)

Portions of the worship service were adapted from:

- 1) *Feasting on the Word, Worship Companion: Liturgies for Year C, Volume 1; Advent through Pentecost.* Bracken Long, Kimberly, Editor. Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 2012;
- 2) *The Abingdon Worship Annual 2022: Worship Planning Resources for Every Sunday of the Year.* Scifres, Mary and Beu, B.J., Editors. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 2021.

NEWS IN THE PEWS

Birthdays and Anniversaries:

February 21 – Joan

22 – Shirley

23 – Sandy

24 – Charles

25 – Richard

26 – Kathleen

***Week of Compassion:** The Week of Compassion Offering is being received today and next Sunday, February 27th. Week of Compassion is the relief, refugee, and development mission fund of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

Lent: We are using materials from the Worship Design Studio for Lent, based upon Professor Kate Bowler's book, *Good Enough: Embracing the Imperfections of Life and Faith*. These sources will contribute to Sunday liturgies, sermons, and some of the music for the season.

We will also have mid-week *Good Enough* book studies. One group will meet at Glen Echo Wednesday mornings at 10 AM, and the other group will meet via Zoom on Wednesday nights. The Wednesday morning group will start on March 2nd. The Wednesday evening group will confer to determine when they would like to begin because of the Wednesday evening Ash Wednesday service.

The cost of each book is \$15.00. If you would like to participate in one of the studies but the cost of the book is prohibitive, please let Pastor Dawn know. If you would like to attend the Wednesday morning gathering at the church but transportation is a problem, please speak with Pastor Dawn.

Book study packets have been prepared for the folks who have already signed up. They are on the table by Pastor Dawn's door.

***Ash Wednesday:** We will have an Ash Wednesday Service in the sanctuary at 7:00 PM on March 2nd. Join us as we prepare our hearts and minds for Lent.

**EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK
FEBRUARY 20-26, 2022**

Today	Worship	10:15 AM
Wednesday	Encouraging Echoes	7:30 PM
Thursday	Contemplative Prayer	2:00 PM
Friday	Deacon Callers	10:00 AM
Next Sunday	Elders' Meeting	After church

Today's Serving Schedule

Accompanist:	Patty Bellus
Deacon:	TBA
Elder:	Rosemarie
Minister:	The Reverend Dawn Ingram
Videographer:	David
Worship Leader:	Rosemarie

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