

The Holy Way Presbyterian Church

February 9, 2025

9:30 a.m.

Kathy Americano



Welcome to Worship

Announcements

Announce Birthdays and Anniversaries Ray Weathers

Sing Happy Birthday/Anniversary

(...singing Happy Birthday, God Loves You!) If you would like to participate in our tradition of celebrating your birthday or anniversary by giving money towards church improvements, music department, or children's ministry, please waive your hand, or stand up and your donation will be received in the basket!

***Call to Worship**

One: Please Stand in body or in spirit for the Call to Worship.

One: Jesus promises that when we gather, God is present.

All: God is with us here. God is with us today.

One: Let us praise our Creator, the Alpha and Omega, the Almighty saying,

All: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

One: The Lord of hosts is here. Let us ground ourselves in worship

***Opening Prayer**

***Opening Hymn** *Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore #721*

Choir will sing verse 1 in Spanish, then congregation joins in

Celebrations, Joys and Concerns The People of the Congregation Share Joys and Concerns (Someone will bring the microphone to you).

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer...

***Passing of the Peace**

Since God has made peace with us,

let us make peace with each other.

The peace of Christ be with you all.

Congregation: And also with you.

(Please share the Peace of Christ with each other)

Our Offerings to God

Offertory Music

***Doxology (607)**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Christ, all people here below;

Praise Holy Spirit evermore;

Praise Triune God, Whom we adore. Amen

Offering Prayer

All: God, we give thanks for your presence in our lives. Bless these offerings, that they may be used to advance your kingdom and glorify your name. And may our faith continue to grow stronger each day, bringing us closer to you. Amen

Prayer for Illumination Phil Hollis

Holy God, as we prepare to read your living Word, open our hearts, our ears and our eyes that we may encounter truth and discover peace through your Spirit.

Scripture 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Phil Hollis

Now, brothers and sisters, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain. For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, and then to the Twelve. After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time, most of whom are still living, though

some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, and last of all he appeared to me also, as to one abnormally born. For I am the least of the apostles and do not even deserve to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me was not without effect. No, I worked harder than all of them—yet not I, but the grace of God that was with me. Whether, then, it is I or they, this is what we preach, and this is what you believed.

Anthem *Do Let Your Hearts Be Troubled*

Scripture **Luke 5:1-11**

One day as Jesus was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret, the people were crowding around him and listening to the word of God. He saw at the water's edge two boats, left there by the fishermen, who were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little from shore. Then he sat down and taught the people from the boat.

When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch." Simon answered, "Master, we've worked hard all night and haven't caught anything. But because you say so, I will let down the nets."

When they had done so, they caught such a large number of fish that their nets began to break. So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them, and they came and filled both boats so full that they began to sink.

When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus' knees and said, "Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!" For he and all his companions were astonished at the catch of fish they had taken, and so were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, Simon's partners.

Then Jesus said to Simon, "Don't be afraid; from now on you will fish for people." So they pulled their boats up on shore, left everything and followed him.

This is the Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Message Kathy Americano

***Sending Hymn** *Jesus Calls Us* #720

***Benediction**

***Song:** *Let There Be Peace On Earth*

Postlude:

**Please Stand in body or Spirit*

Announcements:

- *There is a box in the narthex for "Way of Warmth." We are taking donations of blankets, jackets, gloves, scarves and hats to help others stay warm during the winter.*
- *Contribution Statements for 2024 have gone out. If you have not received yours or you have any questions, please let the church office know.*
- *Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is collecting for the devastating wildfires in California. There is more information on how you can help in the narthex.*
- *Per Capita (the apportionment our church pays to the presbytery), is due at the end of February. The per capita for 2025 is \$43.84 per member. The Holy Way's dues are \$3,945.60. If you have paid the*

per capita, Thank you! If you are able to pay, please mark your check "per capita."

- .. Join us for "Writing your Memoirs"-A workshop by Joan Zaretsky on Wednesday, February 19. 10:00am-11:00am (See the newsletter for more information).*
- .. Everyone is invited to Pastor Elizabeth & Gary's Wedding! It will be held this Friday, February 14, here at The Holy Way at 1:30 p.m. Reception in the Ranch House to follow.*
- .. Sunday, February 23, we will be having a Potluck in the Ranch House after worship. Bring a dish to share. Everyone is welcome.*

VALENTINE'S DAY; A LITANY OF HEARTS

Let us pray this Valentine's Day that

*broken hearts be mended,
young hearts stay wonder-filled,
old hearts discover their wisdom,
embittered hearts let go of hurt,
compassionate hearts find strength,
big hearts know their wealth,
betrayed hearts recover trust,
soft hearts not be wounded,
hardened hearts begin to soften,
sensitive hearts be vigilant,
happy hearts announce their joy,
courageous hearts keep risking,
passionate hearts tend the flames,
arrogant hearts learn humility,*

*sympathetic hearts benefit others,
determined hearts lessen their grip,
jealous hearts accept what they have,
lost hearts find their way home,
loving hearts reach out to others,
generous hearts receive in return,
fearful hearts turn toward trust,
empty hearts befriend loneliness,
tepid hearts stretch into action,
faithful hearts remain steadfast.*

*Kindhearted Holy One, you gather all these hearts into your one great love.
Thank you for reaching our heart through the hearts of others. The
genuine love of each person reflects Your divine affection. Keep us aware,
when we hesitate or question our ability to share our love with another, that
you dwell within our hearts. Amen*

-By Joyce Rupp, From Prayer Seeds

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Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m.

Kingdom Seekers (Ages 4-12+): 9:30 a.m.

Bible Study: Tuesdays 10:00 a.m.

Choir Rehearsals: Thursdays 10:45 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

& Sundays 8:15 a.m.-9:15 a.m.

Pick up a newsletter in the narthex for all the events happening at
The Holy Way!

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