

United Methodist Church at Shrub Oak

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Pastor
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Liturgist
March 8, 2020

Reverend Iwy Patel-Yatri
Rob Gutowski
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Second Sunday in Lent

10:30 a.m.

*Please rise in body and/or spirit.

Please take time to greet and welcome each other in the name of Jesus Christ.

“SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT”

“We strive to GROW in a relationship with God through Worship, Prayer and Study. Guided by the Holy Spirit, we seek to make Christ’s love known as we CONNECT and SERVE others.”

Prelude

Parish Concerns, Announcements and Praise

Opening Prayer (In Unison):

Loving God, let the winds of the Holy Spirit blow in our midst today. Open our hearts in new ways to the promise of your healing grace so we may be a blessing to one another and to your world. We need courage to face the challenges and struggles of life. Strengthen our faith to withstand the trials and temptations that lead us away from a faithful journey with Christ. Amen.

*Opening Hymn: “Lift High the Cross” UMH #159

Scripture Reading: Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

*Gospel Reading: John 3:1-17

Liturgist: The Word of God to the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem: “Steal Away”

Offering of Gifts and Tithes

The Offertory: “Jesus, Draw Me Close” FWS #2159

*The Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, praise him all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

God, thank you for glimpses of eternity in the daily experiences of life. We are grateful for encounters that lift the horizons of our vision. We rejoice in the teaching and care you have provided to us. Bless now the gifts we return to you for the ministries of the church. We rejoice together in the saving grace of Jesus that inspires us to give our best. Amen.

Children’s Moment: Rachel Ward Pinto

*Hymn of Preparation: “He Rose” UMH #316

The Good News: Pastor Iwy

The Pastoral 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

*Recessional Hymn: “Freely, Freely” UMH #389

*Commission and Blessing:

We rejoice that God has gathered us for worship.

Now we depart to go where God sends us.

We are God’s messengers wherever we go.

We are called to be Christian in all our dealings.

In our work and in our leisure, may we serve faithfully.

By God’s grace, we are empowered so to do.

Winds of the Spirit will daily refresh us.

Faith finds new birth in us every day.

God promises to be our helper whenever we call.

God’s love surrounds us even when we do not ask for it.

With joy, we will go where God sends us.

With confidence, we will share our faith with others Amen. Amen.

Postlude

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*The flowers on the altar are given by Marshall Moseley
“In memory of his brothers, Doyle, William and Marvis”*
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Serving Today:

Acolytes: Children of the Church
Coffee Hour: Friends of the Church
Crib & Toddler Care: Bonnie Hutta
Greeters: Kathy Schiavi & June Willis
Ushers: Debbie Vesuvio, Joy Santaroni, Annette Reynolds & Patti Scozzari

Today: 9:30 am Adult Sunday School, GP Room; 12-1:00 pm Choir Practice;
12 pm Youth Group Bowling; SPRC Meeting after Worship; Sunday
School Teachers’ Meeting

Monday: 6:30 pm Women’s Small Group, GP Room

Tuesday: 10:00 am & 7:30 pm Bible Studies, GP Room

Wednesday: 10:30 am Small Group 1, GP Room; 6:30 pm Pot trust Supper;
7:30 pm Lenten Cluster Service, UMC Peekskill

Thursday: 11:00 am Prayer Group, Chapel

Friday: 10:00 am Small Group 2; 11:00 am Crafts for a Cause, GP Room

Next Sunday: Boy Scout Sunday

Note: Pastor Iwy will be away for BOOM Meeting from March 10-11th

We welcome all visitors and are happy you chose our church to worship. Please fill out the visitor card in the pews and indicate if you would like the Pastor to call on you. If you are interested in joining our church, please talk to Marilyn Bucher, Pastor Iwy or call the office. **Attention, parents of young children:** On the back shelf, there are liturgical activity sheets for the children that are linked with morning worship. Please feel free to get one for your child.

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