

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent  
April 2, 2017  
“Pressing on to the Goal”



**...let us run with perseverance  
the race that is set before us,  
looking to Jesus the pioneer  
and perfecter of our faith...**

**Hebrews 12:1b-2a**



**Delta Presbyterian Church**

**Strengthening** Christ in us

**Sharing** Christ among us

**Showing** Christ around us

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**Order of Worship**  
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Prelude

Frederick Alhaddad, Pianist

Tolling of the Bell

**Gathering for Worship**

\*\*Singspiration

**Change for Change**

Joe Frick, Lay Leader

**Guide My Feet** (vs. 1,2,5)

...let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.... Hebrews 12:1b-2a

**Lord, I Want to Be a Christian** (vs. 1-3)

**Strengthening Christ in Us**

Prayer of Confession

**Loving God,**

**we confess that we are a proud people, and we take pride  
in our heritage and  
in our accomplishments.**

**Forgive us, we pray.**

**Help us to set aside both pride and fear,  
that we might find our purpose in Christ alone.**

*(time for silent prayer)*

**We commit ourselves to**

**Strengthening Christ in us,  
Sharing Christ among us, and  
Showing Christ around us. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

\*\*Passing of the Peace

\*\*Response

**Glory Be to the Father** (Avery & Marsh)

Scripture Lesson

**Philippians 3:2-11** (NRSV)

Anthem

**Song of Dedication**

Celebration Choir

Scripture Lesson

**Philippians 3:12-16**(NRSV)

Children's Sermon

Response

**We Are Marching in the Light of God** (vs. 1)  
(Children may go downstairs for Sunday School)

Proclamation of the Word **Pressing on to the Goal**

Rev. Wendy S. Pratt

<sup>12</sup>Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own.

Philippians 3:12

\*\*Hymn of Response

**In Christ Alone**

## Sharing Christ Among Us-- Showing Christ Around Us

Offering

\*\*Response

**Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow**

Life in the Community

Prayers for Those Among & Around Us/Lord's Prayer

*You will have the opportunity to offer silent prayer on suggested topics. After each time of silence, we will close with the pastor saying "Lord in your mercy" and you may respond with "Hear our prayers."*

\*\*Closing Hymn

**Fight the Good Fight** (vs. 2,3,4)

\*\*Challenge & Blessing

\*\*Closing Response

**Go with Us, Lord**

Postlude

*\*\* Please stand if you are able to do so*



## Welcome to Delta Presbyterian Church!

We are pleased to have you worshipping with us this morning. We provide this information to help you fully participate in the worship of God. Please take a moment to sign the guest book on the stand in the back of the sanctuary (worship space) to the left of the drinking fountain. We invite you to stay for our fellowship time following the service. Feel free to help yourself to the coffee and hot water (for tea) that is available in the back of the sanctuary before and after

worship.

Everything you need to participate in worship is on the screen. If you are able, you are invited to stand when the congregation stands.

Restrooms are in the back of the sanctuary on the left.

There is information on the activities at Delta on the counter in the Commitment Center. The Commitment Center is on your left as you leave the sanctuary.

We welcome the sound of children in worship. If your young child is distracting to **you**, you are welcome to do any of the following:

- Get up and move to the back. The colorful bags have small items designed to keep children busy. They are welcome to play with them on the floor in front of the Commitment Center, or you may take the bags to your seats.
- There is a nursery available downstairs. Exit the sanctuary via the door on the right and go straight down the stairs. The nursery (101) is at the foot of the steps on the right. Pagers are available to notify you if your child needs you.
- There is a cry room (202) where you can take your child. Instead of going downstairs, go down the hall and the cry room is on the right. You can view the worship service through a window. The cry room is equipped with a changing table.

Preschool through early elementary children are dismissed following the Children's Sermon. They may either return to their seats, or go downstairs to the Nursery (101 infants & toddlers), or Sunday School (Room 107) Older elementary and youth are dismissed during the offering to go down to the gathering room, except when there is a Fellowship Meal following worship. There are clipboards with worksheets for them to fill out and take downstairs with them.

### Church Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday, 9:00am – 3:00pm

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