A group of women's day

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**Isaiah 40: 1-8**

*Comfort, comfort my people, says your God.* ***2****Speak tenderly to Jerusalem and proclaim to her that her hard service has been completed, that her sin has been paid for, that she has received from the Lord’s hand double for all her sins.* ***3****A voice of one calling: “In the wilderness prepare the way for the Lord]; make straight in the desert a highway for our God.* ***4****Every valley shall be raised up, every mountain and hill made low; the rough ground shall become level, the rugged places a plain.* ***5****And the glory of the Lord will be revealed, and all people will see it together. For the mouth of the Lord has spoken.”*

***6****A voice says, “Cry out.” And I said, “What shall I cry?” “All people are like grass and all their faithfulness is like the flowers of the field.* ***7****The grass withers and the flowers fall, because the breath of the Lord blows on them. Surely the people are grass.* ***8****The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of our God endures forever.”*

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**FORMING FAITH BIBLE STUDY**

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**We count it a joy that you shared with us today!**

**May the Lord bless you and keep you,**

**May the face of the Lord shine upon you and be gracious to you,**

**May the Lord turn to you and give you peace…**

**Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church**

**Sunday, March 9, 2025: Second Sunday of Lent**

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**Gathering**

**Gather in Music** … Kimari Spangler (2)

**Scripture** … Proverbs 31: 30-31 … Cathy Keith Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting; but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised. **31**Honor her for all that her hands have done, and let her works bring her praise at the city gate.

**Greetings/Call to Worship** … Nickey Wright Just as Ruth replied to Naomi, *don’t urge me to leave you or to turn back from you. Where you go, I will go, and where you stay, I will stay*, we have gathered in worship to shout to our Lord, *where you go, we will go, and where you stay, we will stay*. The time has come to sing, the time has come to praise, and the time has come stand with the one who gives us strength. With a song on our lips, let us praise the Lord together…! AMEN

**Calling**

**Invitation in Music** … Kimari Spangler

**Prayers of the People** … Rev. Ellen Woodworth

**The Lord’s Prayer**… Ruth Claytor *Our Creator, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, the 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. AMEN.*

**Gloria Patri** … Kimari Spangler

**Hearing**

**Tribute to Women** … Jada Robinson

**Reading** … Kim McNeil

**Scripture Reading** … Isaiah 40: 1-8 … Brooke Stephens

**Words of Encouragement**

**Reflect in Song** … Avery Bolden

**Introduction of the Speaker** … Lisa Robinson

**Message** … Stephanie Moon Reynolds

**Responding**

**Respond in Song** … Joyce Bolden & Rev. Ellen Woodworth

**Celebration of Giving**

**Giving Prayer** (C.A. Bailey) … Tara Howard

Caring God, we confess that we have not loved this world well and we confess that we have not loved ourselves. O Lord, we confess that we have lost our passions and have grown attached to a society that trains us to exploit one another. Loving God, in a time like this, renew our delight, renew our hope, and renew our joy as we give of ourselves to your purpose by giving to the community of faith. AMEN

**Affirm Our Faith** (Psalm 23) … Lisa Robinson The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. **2**She maketh me to lie down in green pastures: she leadeth me beside the still waters. **3**She restoreth my soul: she leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. **4**Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. **5**Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. **6**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

**Shouting**

**Sounds of Joy** … Avery Bolden

**Go in Peace** … Karen Watson

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**Our Prayer List Jon Barton, Jim Slaughter, Joe Loving, Jr, Gabriela Rangel, Geri Tankersly, Rhonda Hale, Lucy Glymph, Thom Witting, Michael Blankenship, Marvin and Deidra Ross, Rev. Kenneth Wright**

***\*\*Please join us for fellowship and refreshments following the worship service***