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**John 14: 1-7; 27**

*“Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me.****2****My Father’s house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you?****3****And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.****4****You know the way to the place where I am going.”*

***5****Thomas said to him, “Lord, we don’t know where you are going, so how can we know the way?”*

***6****Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.****7****If you really know me, you will know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him.”*

***27****Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.*

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**FORMING FAITH BIBLE STUDY**

**Mondays @ 12pm: Zoom ID**: 844 2443 7027 **Passcode**: 489354

**Brief SESSION MEETING**  **TODAY, Sunday, March 9**  Following the worship service

**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…**

**Women’s Day Sunday, March 16**

\*Speaker: Stephanie Moon, former Roanoke City Councilwoman

Celebrate ***Women’s History Month***

**Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church** 301 Patton Avenue NW, Roanoke VA, 24016 ***March 9, 2025***

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**Reflect in Song** … Avery Bolden

**Sermon** … Troubled … Rev. Vernie L. Bolden

**Responding**

**Respond in Song** … Joyce Bolden

**Time for Reflection**

**Celebration of Giving**

**Giving Prayer** (C.A. Bailey)

God Aware, we confess all the ways we have participated in our own vanishing. As we struggle to learn the way to wholeness, we are desperate for a place to hide, even from ourselves. Though at times we may wish to disappear from the stress of it all, we offer these gifts- not as a suggestion to “purchase” salvation, but to acknowledge that part of knowing the way to your truth is by offering of ourselves to help others. AMEN

**Affirm Our Faith** (Psalm 23) 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**

**Go in Peace** … Frederick Bolden

**Benediction** … Rev. Vernie L. Bolden, Jr

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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**



Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church

Sunday, March 9, 2025: First Sunday of Lent

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**Gathering**

**Gather in Music** … Frederick Bolden (2)

**Scripture** … Psalm 150 … Tara Howard Praise the Lord! Praise God in her sanctuary; praise her in her mighty firmament! Praise her for her mighty deeds; praise her according to her surpassing greatness! **3**Praise her with trumpet sound; praise her with lute and harp! **4**Praise her with tambourine and dance; praise her with strings and pipe! **5**Praise her with clanging cymbals; praise her with loud clashing cymbals! **6**Let everything that breathes praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

**Greetings/Call to Worship** … Michael Blankenship O Lord, when we begin to think of only ourselves and turn from others, your grace draws us nearer. When we accept that wealth and power and status will soothe our concerns, your mercy draws us nearer. And when we question if your promises are true and seek to test your faith in us, your love reminds us of Jesus the Christ, in whom we are forgiven. With singing on our lips, let us praise the Lord…! Amen…!

**Calling**

**Invitation in Music** … Kimari Spangler

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

**The Lord’s Prayer**… *Our Mother, 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

**Blessed Break** *(Let us greet one another in the name of Jesus)*

**Hearing**

**Reading** … Nickey Wright

**Scripture Reading** … John 14: 1-7, 27 … Lori McClaind