



First Presbyterian Church

Watertown, NY + www.watertownfirstpres.org

Healing Service

February 15, 2023 + 7:00 p.m.

IN THE DAY
OF MY TROUBLE
I SEEK THE LORD

PSALM 77:2

Gathering Music



Pastor's Greeting *and* Words of Welcome

Opening Sentences *from Isaiah 40 and 2 Corinthians 1*

Those who wait for the Lord
shall renew their strength,
**they shall mount up with wings like eagles,
they shall run and not be weary,
they shall walk and not faint.**

God consoles us in all our affliction,
so that we may be able to console those who are in any affliction.
**For just as the sufferings of Christ are abundant for us,
so also our consolation is abundant through Christ.**

*Hymn #620

“Under His Wings”

Confession of Sin and Assurance of Pardon *from Luke 11*

Jesus said: Ask and it will be given you;
seek, and you will find;
knock, and it will be opened to you.
**For every one who asks receives,
and the one who seeks finds,
and to the one who knocks it will be opened.**

Friends in Christ,
God knows our needs before we ask,
and in our asking prepares us to receive the gift of grace.

Let us open our lives to God's healing presence,
seeking peace with God and reconciliation with our neighbors.

a time of silence is kept

Let us be mindful not only of personal evil
but also of our communal sins of family,
class, race, and nation.

a time of silence is kept

Let us confess to God whatever has wounded us
or brought injury to others,
that we may receive mercy
and become for each other
ministers of God's grace.

a time of silence is kept

Let us confess our sin together.
**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in
thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what
we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole
heart and mind and strength; we have not loved our
neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have
been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall
be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

**The mercy of the Lord
is from everlasting to everlasting.
I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ,
you are forgiven.**

May the God of mercy,
who forgives you all your sins,
strengthen you in all goodness,
and by the power of the Holy Spirit
keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**



The Word



Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings

Job 5:1-16

Luke 5:17-26

Meditation

***Hymn #583**

“You Are My All in All”

Intercession for Healing

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Special Music

“Hear My Cry, O God, and Save Me!”

Clancy Cox, Soloist

Laying On of Hands and Anointing With Oil

You are invited at this time to come forward to be anointed with oil and prayed over by the pastor. It is customary to receive an anointing on the forehead, but you may offer your hand for anointing or decline if it is your desire.



Sending



***Hymn #694**

“The Lord’s My Shepherd, I’ll Not Want”

***Blessing**

***Passing The Peace of Christ**