

Gathering

Welcome

Blake Tickle (MDiv '20)

*Call to Worship

Melva Sampson

- One: How shall we sing the Lord's song in a land of suffering?
- All: We shall sing of courage and the strength of the Lord.
- One: How shall we sing the Lord's song when we feel so lonely?
- All: We shall sing of unity and faithfulness, of reconciliation and hope.
- One: Come, let us sing the Lord's song this day.
- All: Let us praise God in all our ways forever. Amen.

*Prayer of the Day

*Congregational Hymn: "Gather Us In"

MUO #9

*Call to Confession

Beth Barksdale (MDiv '18)

*Silent Confession

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*Prayer of Confession

All: 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.

*Declaration of Forgiveness

*Song of Praise: "Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me"



* Please stand in body and/or spirit.

The Eucharist

Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Great Thanksgiving

- One: The Lord be with you.
- All: And also with you.
- One: Lift up your hearts.
- All: We lift them to the Lord.
- One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- One: Holy God, we praise you...Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever proclaim to the glory of your name:
- All: Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Words of Institution:

John Senior & Jon Gaska

Communion for All God's Children

Communion Hymn: "Let Us Break Bread Together"

MUO #88

Communion Assistants: Erica Saunders & Latricia Giles (MDiv '19)

Post Communion Prayer:

John Gaska

The Lord's Prayer

All: 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 debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

John Senior

Jon Gaska



Babylon is both geographic and symbolic, the city where exiled Jews were taken and any place where people are forced to remain away from what is dear and holy to them. So we sing this paraphrase of Psalm 137 to its doleful minor tune in solidarity with all displaced people.

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*The Peace

One:	Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
All:	And also with you.

The Word

Prayer of II	lumination:	Erica Saunders (MDiv '19)
One: All: One: All:	Let the words of my mouth And the meditation of our hearts Be acceptable to you, O God, Our Rock and Our Redeemer. Amen.	
Reading of	Scripture - Psalm 137	
One: All:	The Word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God!	
Sermon: "E	Blues in Babylon"	Jon Gaska
Congregati	onal Response: "By the Babylonian Rivers"	See insert
The Euc	harist	See insert
Sending		
*Charge an	d Blessing	Jon Gaska

Notes for Today's Worship

About the Worship Leader

Jon Gaska was born and raised in the Catholic tradition. He is a second career preacher who spent his first career as a jazz musician in Chicago. He attended seminary at The Seattle School of Theology and Psychology and is currently the solo-pastor of Trinity Presbyterian Church where he has been for four years.

Special Welcome

We are honored to welcome Rev. Jon Gaska and other clergy from the Presbyterian Church USA for this special denominational day at Wake Divinity. All guests are invited to join us for lunch in the Lower Auditorium immediately following the service. Any students interested in learning more about the Presbyterian Church USA denomination are invited to join Rev. Gaska and other PCUSA clergy for lunch in the faculty lounge.

Worship

Today's worship service was planned by Amanda Kerr (MDiv '18) and Johanna Kelley (MDiv '20).

The altar design was created by Sophia Russell (MDiv '18).

The bulletin cover is a painting by French painter, Jean-Francois Millet titled "The Captivity of the Jews in Babylon."

Today's Call to Worship was found on www.ministrymatters.com. Other liturgies from today's service can be found in the PCUSA's Book of Common Worship.

Communion

Communion today is celebrated by intinction. You will be given a piece of gluten-free bread that you are invited to dip into the wine or grape juice.

Wine and grape juice are present in both chalices. Wine is in the lesser-filled side of the chalice and inscribed with a "W." Grape juice is in the greater-filled side of the chalice and is inscribed with a "J."

Worship Team Members

For feedback, suggestions, or offers to participate in worship, please contact a member of the worship team:

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