

SERMON OUTLINE

[18:28-32] Wait, why do the Jewish leaders *need* the Romans?

Who was (Pontius) Pilate?

- Governor of the Roman province of Judaea (26-36 AD), serving under Emperor Tiberius
- What was he like?

[18:33-38] Pilate talks to Jesus

- Pilate not impressed by Jesus the “king”
- “My kingdom is not of / from this world.”
 - ◇ What Jesus *didn’t* mean by this
 - ◇ What Jesus *did* mean
- [18:38] Pilate asks the right question – but doesn’t stay for the answer.
 - ◇ The problem of cynicism, often triggered by politics. What’s the cure?

[18:38-40] Barabbas goes free... instead of Jesus?

Questions for Reflection and Application

1. Living under foreign occupation would be awful for anyone, but what would it have been like specifically for faith-filled Jews? Did a biblical faith make it harder or easier to live under Caesar?
2. Jesus said, “My kingdom is not *of* this world.... My kingdom is not *from* the world.”
 - a. What do these statements mean?
 - b. Why have these words given **hope** to so many people? Do they give you hope?
3. Pilate asked: “What is truth?”
 - a. For the answer, see John 1:17 and 14:6. But what does this mean for your life? How do you live this?



New Life
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
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**To Know Christ
and to Make Him Known**

Sunday, March 21, 2021
10:45am

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE *Holy Is the Lord* Worship Team,
Diane Wassenar, Leader

ANNOUNCEMENTS Nicholas Black, Director of Shepherding

WOMEN’S WEEKEND TESTIMONY Hannah Hillig

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 72:1-2, 8, 11, 17-19 Mark Moser, Pastor

SONG *Jesus Shall Reign*

RESPONSIVE READING from the Gospel of John

PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH Steve Ritter, Elder

SERMON Jesus and Pilate Mark Moser
John 18:28-40

RESPONSE *Here I Am to Worship*
Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery
Lead On, O King Eternal

BENEDICTION

Send forth your light and your truth,
let them guide me;
let them bring me to your holy mountain,
to the place where you dwell.
Then I will go to the altar of God,
to God, my joy and my delight!
~ Psalm 43:3-4

GET IN TOUCH!

Church Office: 215-576-0892 (leave a message)
Deacon Coordinator: 267-528-8637

COMING EVENTS

CHURCH-WIDE ART PROJECT

Help us observe Lent in a unique way this year!

Kids and adults, you are invited to participate in a Holy Week Art Project! Create artwork with a theme based on Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Sunday, or all four! Canvases are available in a bin on the porch by the triple doors. **Return your finished artwork to the bin by this Wednesday, March 24.** See the e-news for details and idea-starters. Questions? Contact Amy Lewis at alewis@newlifeglenside.com.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Join us for all of the Holy Week services. These are times to celebrate, contemplate, lament, and rejoice. *Services are in person and online.* Invitation cards are at the exits. Invite someone to worship with us.

- **Palm Sunday, March 28—10:45am**
Remembering Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem
- **Maundy Thursday Communion, March 25—7:30pm**
Remembering Jesus at the Last Supper before his crucifixion
- **Good Friday, March 26—7:30pm**
Remembering why Jesus came to earth, as we consider the cross
- **Easter Sunday, April 4:**
Resurrection! Hallelujah! Christ is Risen! Come celebrate with us!
Sunrise Service—6:30am, in person only
Morning Services—9:00am & 10:45am

Volunteers are needed at these services. Sign up to help at the Welcome Desk, as a Sanctuary Usher, or as a Greeter. Contact Nancy Bower to volunteer. nbower@newlifeglenside.com

PALM DISTRIBUTION

We will have palms available for anyone coming to worship in person on Palm Sunday. If you will be joining the service online and would like to have some palms, please stop by the church to pick some up from in front of the triple doors on **Saturday, March 27 from 10am to noon.** If you are unable to come to pick them up, call the church at 215-576-0892, or contact Nancy Bower at nbower@newlifeglenside.com and we will deliver palms to your door.

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE

Come greet Easter morning with us in worship of our risen Savior. This brief service will begin at 6:30am, but plan to arrive at the church by 6:20am. We will walk together from the triple doors to an adjacent field where we will sing praises to our God as we watch the sun rise over the horizon.

NEW LIFE SPRING THEATER ARTS CLASS

8 Weeks: April 6—May 25, Tuesdays from 7-8:30pm

For grades 5-12; Cost: \$150 (first class is a free workshop)

Each week, students explore scenes and develop characters through fun games and exercises that join together team-building and engage the fundamentals of drama. They will gain self-assurance in their acting as well as a self-confidence that they can keep for a lifetime. A final performance will take place at the end of the session. Masks required; social distancing observed. Instructor: Brianna Marsh. For more info., contact Brianna. Register at scatteredseedscreativearts.com.

NEW LIFE NURSERY SCHOOL CLOTHING SWAP—Sat., April 17, 9am-Noon

Bring any children's, women's, and maternity clothes, and toys (in good condition) plus a \$10 donation to NLNS and **take as many items as you would like.** Tell your friends. Everyone is welcome. Location: church parking lot (Fellowship Hall if it rains). Questions? Contact newlifenurseryschool@gmail.com.

CHURCH PICNIC

Save the Date! Sunday, April 25, 1-5pm

Join us at Fort Washington State Park, Flourtown Pavilion. We'll provide burgers and dogs; bring your own sides. Games, hiking, friends, fresh air, sunshine, FUN! Bring your own kite. Don't miss it! Want to help? Do you have other ideas for outdoor spring activities? Contact Nancy Bower at nbower@newlifeglenside.com.

HELP NEEDED

FOOD CUPBOARD VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Food Cupboard is in need of volunteers to help in the organizing and distribution of food. To find out more on how you can be part of this ministry call or text Bridget Franklin or Elaine Douds.

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