

Knox Presbyterian Church of LA

Second Sunday in Lent

Words to Ponder: Mohandas Gandhi once remarked, “I like y our Christ, I do not like your Christians. Your Christians are so unlike your Christ.”

Gathering Music “May the Lord God Bless You Real Good” Music Ministry

Words of Welcome | +Passing the Peace Rev. Ann Hayman

Call to Worship (Psalm 27:1) Leigh Lehman
God is my light and my salvation;
Whom shall I fear?
God is the stronghold of my life;
Of whom shall I be afraid?
Come, seek God in this time of worship.

Opening Hymn “Just a Closer Walk with Thee” STF # 2158

Call to Confession Leigh Lehman

Union Prayer of Confession
Eternal God, as enemies circle and fear grows large, the distance between us feels like absence and we come to believe you are hidden and concealed. Forgive our doubt. Forgive our lack of spiritual seeking. Forgive us when we make our faith all about what you might do for us rather than how we might serve you and work at right relationship with you. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon Leigh Lehman

Children’s Message “Put Your Stamp on It” Elder Melinda Hsu

Anthem “I’m in Love with Jesus” Music Ministry

Prayer for Illumination Leigh Lehman

Scripture Reading Psalm 27 International Children’s Bible Leigh Lehman

Sermon “Walking Hand in Hand” Rev. Ann Hayman
Philippians 3:14-4:1

Words of Faith (from the PCUSA Brief Statement of Faith)

**We trust in God,
whom Jesus called Abba, Father.
In sovereign love God created the world good
and makes everyone equally in God's image,
male and female, of every race and people,
to live as one community.
But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator.
Ignoring God's commandments,
we violate the image of God in others and ourselves,
accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature,
and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care.
We deserve God's condemnation.
Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.
In everlasting love,
the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people
to bless all families of the earth.
Hearing their cry,
God delivered the children of Israel
from the house of bondage.
Loving us still,
God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.
Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child,
like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home,
God is faithful still.
Call for the offering
God calls us to lives of grateful generosity. Let us praise the giver of all
good gifts through our offering today.**

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Rev. Ann Hayman

The Offering

Call to Giving

Leigh Lehman

Offertory

"What Shall I Render?"

Music Ministry

+Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow, praise Him all
creatures here below. Praise God above ye heavenly hosts.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Prayer of Dedication

Leigh Lehman

Announcements

Leigh Lehman

+Closing Hymn

“We Shall Overcome”

[Verse 1]

**We shall overcome
We shall overcome
We shall overcome some day**

[Refrain]

**Oh, deep in my heart
I do believe
We shall overcome some day**

[Verse 2]

**We'll walk hand in hand
We'll walk hand in hand
We'll walk hand in hand some day**

[Refrain]

**Oh, deep in my heart
I do believe
We shall overcome some day**

[Verse 3]

**We shall live in peace
We shall live in peace
We shall live in peace some day**

[Refrain]

**Oh, deep in my heart
I do believe
We shall overcome some day**

+Benediction (Psalm 27:14)

Wait for the Holy One.

We will be strong.

Let your heart take courage.

**May the grace, hope, peace and love of God our Creator, Redeemer
and Sustainer be with us now and always. Amen.**

Rev. Ann Hayman

Postlude

“God Be With You”

Michael Turner, Piano