

Beloved Siblings in Christ,

As we approach this fourth Sunday of Lent we have the opportunity to ask who does God love. As we hear part of Jesus' conversation with Nicodemus, we are reminded that "God didn't go to all the trouble to send his Son merely to point an accusing finger, telling the world how bad it was. Here came to help, to put the world right again" (Message John 3:17). As we continue on this Lenten journey, I hope that you are reading our devotional, Local Pilgrim, from the Presbyterian Outlook and that we'll see you in worship Sunday. Come hear who God loves, spoiler alert, it includes YOU.

Prayer for the third week in Lent:

Everlasting God, in whom we live and move and have our being, you have made us for yourself, so that our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Give us purity of heart and strength of purpose, that no selfish passion may hinder us from knowing your will, no weakness keep us from doing it; that in your light we may see light clearly, and in your service find perfect freedom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Book of Common Worship, PCUSA

Scripture texts for this Sunday: Numbers 21:4-9 and John 3:14-21

I hope you will take time to read and reflect on this week's texts prior to Sunday worship.

Zoom link for Sunday worship:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83805350569?pwd=ZWc2dVhnKzNVb2ZFS045Sjk1cStEQT09>

Grace + Peace + Love,
Crystal