Prayers of Intercession and The Lord's Prayer
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.

*Commendation

Special Music

Into The Mystic

Van Morrison

We were born before the wind; Also, younger than the sun. 'Ere the bonnie boat was won; As we sailed into the mystic.

Hark now, hear the sailors cry: Smell the sea and feel the sky. Let your soul and spirit fly; Into the mystic.

Blessing and **Benediction**

Postlude

The Rev. Dr. Andrew Philip Long, presiding Carl Bingle, organist Jenny Whitenack, song leader Agnes McCarthy, Perry Morgan, and Christian Hosmer, strings



A Service of Worship Honoring The Lives Of

Christopher Tousant & Jennifer Tousant Stahl

Saturday, April 20, 2024 11am First Presbyterian Church of Watertown, NY

Preservice Music

Chiming The Hour of Worship

Greeting and Sentences from Holy Scripture

Opening Prayer

*Hymn #343 Amazing Grace

Reflections and Remembrances Eric Hatch Donald Stahl

The First Scripture Lesson Lamentations 3:1-9, 21-26

I am one who has seen affliction under the rod of God's wrath; he has driven and brought me into darkness without any light; against me alone he turns his hand, again and again, all day long.

He has made my flesh and my skin waste away, and broken my bones; he has besieged and enveloped me with bitterness and tribulation; he has made me sit in darkness like the dead of long ago.

He has walled me about so that I cannot escape; he has put heavy chains on me; though I call and cry for help, he shuts out my prayer; he has blocked my ways with hewn stones, he has made my paths crooked.

But this I call to mind, and therefore I have hope:
The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.
'The Lord is my portion,' says my soul, 'therefore I will hope in him.'

The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord.

The Second Scripture Lesson John 11:1-6, 17-36

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, 'Lord, he whom you love is ill.' But when Jesus heard it, he said, 'This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it.' Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.' Jesus said to her, 'Your brother will rise again.'

Martha said to him, 'I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.' Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?' She said to him, 'Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.'

This is the Word of The Lord. Thanks be to God.

Special Music

The Prayer

Foster, Sager, Renis, & Testa

I pray you'll be our eyes, and watch us where we go, And help us to be wise in times when we don't know. Let this be our prayer, when we lose our way. Lead us to a place, guide us with your grace: To a place where we'll be safe

Homily