

Sunday, March 21, 2021

Welcome!

We are thankful that you are worshiping with us today! To learn more about the life of our congregation, join our email list <u>here</u>.

Here are some helpful resources for our younger worshipers:

This Week's Children's Bulletin | Worship Worksheet for Kids

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

The Fifth Sunday in Lent 10:30 A.M.

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

We worship in the season of Lent, a time to examine our hearts and our lives and journey with Christ through the suffering of the world. Let us watch for the coming sign of God's power, and treasure God's words in our hearts. God has marked us as beloved dust and called us together to worship.

*OPENING PRAYER

Loving God, through prophets and sending yourself in human form, you have shown us your unending devotion to us. Give us space in our hearts to embody the kingdom of God on earth, through Jesus Christ our deliverer, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

*Hymn 264 At the Name of Jesus KING'S WESTON

 At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow, every tongue confess him King of glory now; 'tis the Father's pleasure we should call him Lord, who from the beginning was the mighty Word.

- 2. Humbled for a season to receive a name from the lips of sinners unto whom he came, faithfully he bore it spotless to the last, brought it back victorious, when from death he passed;
- 3. Bore it up triumphant, with its human light, through all ranks of creatures, to the central height, to the throne of Godhead, to the Father's breast, filled it with the glory of that perfect rest.
- 4. Christians, this Lord Jesus shall return again, with his Father's glory o'er the earth to reign; for all wreaths of empire meet upon his brow, and our hearts confess him King of glory now.

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Leader: May God be with you in worship there.

Congregation: May God be with you in worship there.

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

There is not one who is worthy of God's forgiveness and mercy. It is because of God's love for God's children that we can come forth seeking pardon. Let us now boldly confess our sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Through the season of Lent, O God, we have prayed for clean hearts and right spirits. Forgive us, O Lord, if we have prayed with our words but failed to pray with our actions. Forgive us of what we have done that has contributed to the suffering of another, and forgive us of what we have failed to do that could have lightened a neighbor's burden. Forgive us, O God, and wash us in your mercy. Forgive us, O God, and free us to try again.

POURING OF THE BAPTISMAL WATERS

Remember your baptism and be thankful!

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

We are promised that though we may walk away from Christ, Christ will never walk away from us. It is because of Christ that we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

*SUNG RESPONSE GREATOREX

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Since we have been reconciled to God, let us also be reconciled to one another.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. And also with you.

Refrain:

Spirit, open my heart to the joy and pain of living. As you love may I love, in receiving and in giving. Spirit, open my heart.

- 1. God, replace my stony heart with a heart that's kind and tender. All my coldness and fear to your grace I now surrender. Refrain
- 2. Write your love upon my heart as my law, my goal, my story. In each thought, word, and deed, may my living bring you glory. *Refrain*

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God of all creation, may your Spirit fall on us as we read these words by prophets, sent by you to give us a sign of what your loving justice looks like in our world. We ask all of this in your Son's precious name. **Amen.**

READINGS FROM SCRIPTURE

John 12:20-33

The Gospel of the Lord. May Jesus Christ be praised.

Jeremiah 31:31-34

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON Rev. David Madewell

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

adapted from The Confession of 1967

In Jesus of Nazareth, true humanity was realized once for all. Jesus, a Palestinian Jew, lived among his own people and shared their needs, temptations, joys and sorrow. He expressed the love of God in word and deed and became a brother to all of humanity. His life and teaching judged their goodness, religious aspirations, and national hopes. Many rejected him and demanded his death. In giving himself freely for them, he took upon himself the judgement under which all people stand convicted. God raised him from the dead, vindicating him as Messiah and Lord. The victim of sin became victor, and won the victory over sin and death for all humanity.

THE EUCHARIST

Amazing Grace Ava Wiggins & Will Jones

Arr. Lloyd Larson

*THE DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606)

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise...

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.

Breaking of the Bread & The Communion of the People

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of everlasting love, we thank you for this table that shows the ordinary is made extraordinary in your eyes. Through this act of love and mercy, inspire us to share these gifts to all your children. Amen.

THE SENDING

*HYMN 833

O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go

ST. MARGARET

- 1. O Love that wilt not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee; I give thee back the life I owe, that in thine ocean depths its flow may richer, fuller be.
- 2. O Light that followest all my way, I yield my flickering torch to thee; my heart restores its borrowed ray, that in thy sunshine's blaze its day may brighter, fairer be.

- 3. O Joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to thee; I trace the rainbow through the rain, and feel the promise is not vain that morn shall tearless be.
- 4. O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from thee; I lay in dust life's glory dead, and from the ground there blossoms red life that shall endless be.

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CLOSING VOLUNTARY

*Rise in body or spirit

LEADING OUR WORSHIP TODAY

Preaching Rev. David Madewell

PRESIDING AT THE TABLE Dennis Jewett, Director of Music

Assisting

Jeff Moles, Director of Christian Education & Mission Stephanie Dube, Director of Youth Ministries & Weekday School

MUSICIANS

Jeff Moles, Accompanist Ava Wiggins & Will Jones

Holy Week Services PRESBY CH



SUNDAY, MARCH 28



Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday

10:30 | Worship on Facebook Live

MONDAY, MARCH 29

12:00 | Midday Prayer & Check-In on Zoom

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31

12:00 | Service of Midday Prayer on Facebook Live

THURSDAY, APRIL 1



Maundy Thursday

12:00 | Midday Prayer & Check-In on Zoom 6:00 | Worship on Zoom

FRIDAY, APRIL 2



Good Friday

12:00 | Worship on Facebook Live

SATURDAY, APRIL 3



The Great Vigil of Easter

6:00 | Worship in the Prayer Garden and on Facebook Live

SUNDAY, APRIL 4



The Resurrection of the Lord: Easter Sunday

9:00-10:00 | Flowering of the Cross 10:30 | Worship on Facebook Live