

Welcome!

Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 6, 2016 +8:30 A.M. +++11:00 A.M.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Paulette Baker, Lay Leader

PRELUDE

Prelude in the Phrygian Mode
Heather Cooper, organ

Tallis; arr. Rawsthorne

*CALL TO WORSHIP

by Moira Laidlaw; based of Psalm 32

ONE: Happy are those whose sins are forgiven.

MANY: Happy are those to whom God attributes no wrong, those in whose heart there is no deceit.

ONE: When we keep silent about our wrongdoings, our lives disintegrate with worry and guilt; when we struggle to hide from God, the heaviness in our hearts consumes our strength.

MANY: But when we seek your truth, O God, and acknowledge our sin, we experience your forgiveness.

ONE: Let all people reach out to you in prayer, O God, and know your protection and strength.

MANY: Surrounded by your grace-filled presence and filled with your undeserved forgiveness, we sing your praise; we shout for joy.

ONE: Stubbornness melts away and tempers are controlled when we listen for God's word and follow God's direction for our lives.

MANY: When we fail to listen, and persist in following other than God's way, our hearts are hardened and our lives tormented.

ALL: But when we put our trust in God, we are surrounded and filled with God's steadfast love. Rejoice and shout for joy all those who are upright in heart.

*BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

Acolyte

*HYMN OF INTENTION

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

No. 140

(Preschool & Elementary age children are invited to leave during for Sunday School or remain in worship. Children will return to worship for Communion. Please see the Children's Welcome station for information and resources available for families and children.)

OFFERING & OFFERTORY

+ Table of Grace

Nolan Angerman

Chancel Choir; Daniel Parsley, director

All who are hungry, who long to be fed, come to the table of grace. All who are yearning for heavenly bread, come to the table of grace. All who are thirsty for living wine, come to the table of grace. All who are seeking the one perfect vine, come to the table of grace. Come to the table, come be restored. Feast on forgiveness. Rest upon the Lord. Grace is a banquet and Jesus came to share! All who are broken who long to be whole, come to the table of grace. All who are lonely, the Lord will console. Come to the table of grace.

+++ Sicut Cervus

Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina

As the deer longs for springs of water, so my soul longs for you, O Lord.

Schola Cantorum; Daniel Parsley, director

*DOXOLOGY

No. 95 or See Below

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

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SHARING STORIES OF GOD AT WORK IN OUR LIVES

SILENT PRAYER, PASTORAL PRAYER, 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and glory forever. Amen.

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 15: 1-3, 11b-32 pg. 78 NT

SERMON

Celebration Reveals HOPE

Rev. Cara Stultz Costello

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

No. 6-11

+++ Welcoming the Children *Where Children Belong* No. 2233 Faith We Sing

The Apostles Creed

The Invitation

The Confession and Pardon

The Great Thanksgiving

The Sharing of the Bread and Cup

ANTHEMS

+ *Bist du bei Mir*

J.S. Bach

If You are with me

+++ The Gift of Grace

arr. Sherman

Celebration Bells; Jody Lindower, director

Charlene Dombrowski, flute; Julie Sarver, flute

**Please stand, as you are able*

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*HYMN OF MISSION

“Love’s Divine, All Loves Excelling”

Sung to the tune of “Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus” [HYFYRDOL]

1. Love divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heaven, to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation;
enter every trembling heart.

2. Breathe, oh, breathe thy loving Spirit
into every troubled breast;
let us all in thee inherit;
let us find the promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning;
Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith, as its beginning,
set our hearts at liberty.

3. Come, Almighty, to deliver,
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.

4. Finish, then, thy new creation;
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee:
changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love and praise.

*BENEDICTION

*CHRIST’S LIGHT TO THE WORLD

Acolyte

*POSTLUDE

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

Robert Hobby

+++ **Come-Union:** All are invited to extend your Worship experience by attending the Communion extension through a new experience called Come-Union! We will meet Pastor Steve at the altar following the Postlude.

Next Sunday, March 13
Hope of the World Worship Series
Scripture Focus: Phillipians 3: 4b-14

Pastor Steve preaching

8:30 Joanne Fox, Schola Cantorum, & Heather Cooper, organ

9:45 Special Music & Modern Worship Ensemble

11:00 Carol/Cherub Choir & Heather Cooper, organ



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Co-Pastors: Revs. Cara & Steve Stultz Costello

Organist: Heather Cooper

Liturgists: +Mike Walters +++ Cindy Wilcox

Greeters: + Betty & Ron Fulton +++ Jane Eriksen & Mary Conley

Today’s altar flowers are given by Sally Ailstock in memory of Sally’s mother, father, and husband Roy’s birthdays.

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