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Order of Worship, First Presbyterian Church

Sunday, March 14, 2021

4th Sunday in Lent

Announcements

Prelude

“Wondrous Love”

arr. Shockley

For Prayer and Reflection:

The eternal Father, who set us free from our sins, loves us with a love that will never let us go. The Lord calls us to worship him today as the only true lover of our souls and to remember the depth of his love for us in Christ. God seeks our love!

Call to Worship

Holy One,

As we gather this morning to worship you,

May we speak truth,

So that our words may give grace to those who hear.

May we pray in faith,

So that our words may give grace to those who hear.

May we sing with joy,

So that our words may give grace to those who hear.

May we listen with open minds and receptive hearts,

So that Your words may give grace to us who hear.

Opening Prayer

****Hymn of Praise***

“Great Are You Lord”

Ingram/Jordan/Leonard

Verse: You give life, You are love, You bring light to the darkness
You give hope, You restore every heart that is broken
Great are You, Lord

Chorus: It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise, we pour out our praise
It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise to You only

(Verse)

(Chorus)

Bridge (3x): All the earth will shout Your praise
Our hearts will cry, these bones will sing
Great are You, Lord

(Chorus 2x)

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God and Holy Father, we confess that we have forgotten Your gospel promise and have placed our trust in our own works. We have taken the joy and freedom that comes from a relationship with You and replaced it with rules and regulations. Though we are forgiven, we feel guilty. Though we are free, we live as those who are bound. Though we are sinners, we act as judges. Deliver us from soul-destroying legalism through the grace of knowing Jesus. Thank You that He died to take away every one of our sins and to give us His perfect righteousness so we stand blameless in Your sight. We pray in Jesus' name.

Silent Confession (Here let each worshiper offer silent, personal prayers of confession)

Declaration of Forgiveness

****Gloria Patri*** (#734)

“Glory Be to the Father”

Greatorrex

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.

Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Reading

Luke 7:36-50

Second Scripture Reading

Matthew 9:9-13

Sermon

“A Revolution of Grace”

****Hymn of Response***

“Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy” vv. 1,2,4,5

Come Ye Sinners

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore;

Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity, love, and pow'r.

Come, ye thirsty, come and welcome, God's free bounty glorify;

True belief and true repentance, every grace that brings you nigh.

Come, ye weary, heavy laden, lost and ruined by the fall;

If you tarry till you're better, you will never come at all.

I will arise and go to Jesus, he will embrace me in His arms;

In the arms of my dear Savior, O, there are ten thousand charms.

Affirmation of Faith

“The Nicene Creed”

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We

believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Special Music

“Breath of God”

Curry/Hatch

Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People 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.

****Sending Hymn***

“I’m Forever Grateful”

Altrogge

You did not wait for me to draw near to you,
But you clothed yourself with frail humanity.
You did not wait for me to cry out to you,
But you let me hear your voice calling me.

And I’m forever grateful to you.
I’m forever grateful for the cross.
I’m forever grateful to you
That you came to seek and save the lost.

****Benediction***

****Postlude***

“Recessionale”

Broughton

**Those who are able, please stand*

Leaders in worship:

Preacher: Rev. Stephanie Ells

Liturgist: Rev. Bradley Longfield

Music Director & pianist: Kristen Eby

Special Music Director: Jill Klinebriel

Special Music: Bryan Blair, Sara Blair, John Eby, Kristen Eby, Linda Longfield

Musicians: John Eby, Linda Longfield

“Jesus I Never Knew” Daily Scripture Readings:

Day 1	John 3: 1-21
Day 2	Mark 7:24-30
Day 3	Mark 14:1-11
Day 4	Luke 11:37-54
Day 5	Luke 15:1-32

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