5th Sunday of Lent

April 3, 2022

10:00 AM

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

CHIMING THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MISSION MINUTE: Alysia Clary, Founder, Clary's Closet

PRELUDE: Shule Aroon, Irish Folk Tune, Kathy Bowen, Harpist

CALL TO WORSHIP

Nancy Runyans, Liturgist

One: We gather in the presence of God, the creator of sand and stars:

All: ready to worship.

One: We gather in the presence of Christ, our guide for setting a table of welcome:

All: ready to worship.

One: We gather in the presence of the Spirit, our inspiration for moving beyond fear:

All: ready to worship.

One: We gather together in grace:

All: ready to worship.

*HYMN#324 "Open My Eyes That I May See"

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

Liturgist

The proof of God's amazing love is this: while we were still sinners Christ died for us. In humility and faith, we confess our need of God's grace.

BREAKING BREAD, POURING THE CUP

COMMUNION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We are grateful, O God, for the promise in Christ of a new creation, so we join with the Holy Spirit in recreating our own lives and sharing in the recreation of the world about us. Where there is futility, may we proclaim hope; where there is decay, may we witness to the renewal you are bringing in Christ. Amen.

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

Freely you have received, so freely give as you have decided. Not out of compulsion, but out of joy and gratitude.

OFFERTORY: Do This in Remembrance of Me, Combined Choir

*DOXOLOGY (tune is Old Hundredth) *HYMN #592

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (UNISON)

We offer our gifts this day with gratitude. Through them, may hope come to those who know despair, may love come to those who feel alone, may healing come to those who endure pain. May these gifts be a sign of our commitment to serve you, O God, in the world. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN #391 "Take My Life"

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: J.S. Bach: Allein zu dir, Herr Jesu Christ

*For those who are able, please stand.

- Today's Ushers: Mark Chamberlin & Pam Keckison
- Special Gifts Committee: Wednesday, April 6, 6:30 p.m. in the Media Center
- **Coffee Hour Today:** Please join us in the Chancel Hallway (behind the organ) after worship for fresh coffee, homemade baked goods, and most importantly - conversation and fellowship with your church family. Thank you to Barb Winegard for setting this up today!



Identity Statement

We are a loving family of God, following Christ by practicing our legacy of worship, education, and mission to neighbors.

Remember in Your Prayers & Correspondence

Barry Bullis; Nancy Dobbins; Sally Clark, mother of Andrea Ducharme; the family of Sara Le Porte; the family of Harold "Mic" Jenkins

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PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION (UNISON)

Gracious God, you call us to live with compassion, yet sometimes we show indifference. You call us to revise our assumptions, yet sometimes we remain stuck in our ways. You call us to cultivate hope, yet sometimes we focus on despair. You call us to seek reconciliation, yet sometimes we turn toward conflict.

SILENT REFLECTION

Renew us, we pray, and lead us on a path of transformation.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Friends, God's grace is freely given to us, and we are unbound from our guilt and fear. We are a forgiven people. Hear this good news and be at peace.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE "We Will Glorify the King of Kings" *HYMN #2087

We will glorify the King of kings, we will glorify the Lamb; we will glorify the Lord of lords, who is the great I AM

WE HEAR AND REFLECT ON GOD'S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Isaiah 43: 16-21 *Liturgist* Page 885 of the red Bible and page 672 of the black Bible

MUSICAL OFFERING

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON John 12:1-8 **Rev. Dr. Carson O. Mouser** Page 1308 of the red Bible and page 106 of the black Bible

SERMON "Those Who Have Eyes to See" **Rev. Dr. Carson O. Mouser**

*HYMN #508 "For the Bread Which You Have Broken"

CELEBRATION OF EUCHARIST

INVITATION

Because life matters, we all matter. Because bread and wine matter, all are welcome here to taste and see the good things God is doing. Welcome to the table of life.

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

When things become cross-shaped and the way pulls us forward beyond where we have been before, when our nourishment is found in bread and wine as our food for the journey to Jerusalem and not a celebration for reaching our destination; when our souls recoil with the thought of what lies ahead and the story we have to hear once more and the crumbling away of heaven's promises, you meet us here, O God, at the table of sacrifice and suffering; of promise and future; and open our eyes to the shape of that future.

You, O Lord, meet us here where everything we believe becomes real and everything on which we stake our faith becomes tangible in bread and in wine; in being here and nowhere else today. You, O God, meet us here, for this meal needs sharing with those willing to travel on the journey and on the way of the cross.

O God of bread and wine, Jesus' resurrection's promise, Spirit voice in the wilderness, we meet you in bread and wine to tell salvation's story.

On the edge of promise and teetering on the brink of the cross we share your feast waiting, along with the world for justice and the renewal of life. And so we hold silence and wait with you.

We hold silence and listen for your call. We hold silence and know such silence is all we can give in response to the news of your journey towards the cross. Silent Reflection

Hear us as we sing with the angels

Holy, holy God of presence and infinite space, heaven and earth are full of your glory; hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in your name; hosanna in the highest.

This is our thanksgiving for all you have done and will be doing for justice and life; for truth and forgiveness; for promise and salvation, leading us to pray as Jesus taught us, **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. (3)