

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION & PARDON

Merciful God, We confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Glory to God. Amen.

THE GREAT 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.

COMMUNION LITURGY & RECEIVING OF THE ELEMENTS

*HYMN OF INVITATION

FAIREST LORD JESUS

#189 V. 1 & 4

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MUSIC BY SCHESISCHE VOLKSLIEDER; ARRANGED BY RICHARD STORRS WILLIS
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1. Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature, O thou of God and man the Son, thee will I cherish, thee will I honor, thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

4. Beautiful Savior! Lord of all the nations! Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine.

*BENEDICTION

*SENDING FORTH

LORD, DISMISS US WITH THY BLESSING

#671

WORDS BY ATTR. TO JOHN FAWCETT
MUSIC BY THE EUROPEAN MAGAZINE AND REVIEW; HARM. FROM THE METHODIST HYMN AND TUNE BOOK
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1. Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing; fill our hearts with joy and peace; let us each, thy love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace. O refresh us, O refresh us, traveling through this wilderness.

2. Thanks we give and adoration for thy gospel's joyful sound. May the fruits of thy salvation in our hearts and lives abound; ever faithful, ever faithful to the truth may we be found.

POSTLUDE

THE LILLY OF THE VALLEY

TRADITIONAL ENGLISH MELODY



“So Many Opinions -
Only One Truth”

Mark 8:27-30

March 3, 2024

Third Sunday in Lent

Worship Service with Communion

Fellowship Hall & Online

10:00 AM



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

THIS IS MY FATHER'S WORLD

TRADITIONAL ENGLISH MELODY
ARRANGED BY MALTBIE BABCOCK

WELCOME HOME! ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

JESUS PAID IT ALL

WORDS BY ELVINA M. HALL
MUSIC BY JOHN T. GRAPE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Merciful God, you sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation.

Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ, our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

LORD, WHO THROUGH THESE FORTY DAYS

#269 V 1,3 4,5
WORDS BY CLAUDIA F. HERNAMAN
MUSIC BY ANNABEL MORRIS BUCHANAN
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1. Lord, who throughout these forty days for us didst fast and pray, teach us with thee to mourn our sins and close by thee to stay.
3. As thou didst hunger bear, and thirst, so teach us, gracious Lord, to die to self, and chiefly live by thy most holy word.
4. And through these days of penitence, and through thy passiontide, yea, evermore in life and death, Jesus, with us abide.
5. Abide with us, that so, this life of suffering over past, an Easter of unending joy we may attain at last.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

SHARING OF OUR JOYS & CONCERNS

CALL TO PRAYER

I SURRENDER ALL

#354, V 1 & 2
WORDS BY J. W. VAN DEVENTER
MUSIC BY S. W. WEEDEN
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1. All to Jesus I surrender; all to him I freely give; I will ever love and trust him, in his presence daily live.
Refrain: I surrender all, I surrender all, all to thee, my blessed Savior, I surrender all.
2. All to Jesus I surrender; humbly at his feet I bow, worldly pleasures all forsaken; take me, Jesus, take me now. [Refrain]

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING PRAYER & RETURN OF GOD'S TITHES & GIFTS

*DOXOLOGY

PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW

#94
WORDS BY THOMAS KEN
MUSIC FROM *GEISTLICHE KIRCHENGESANGE*
ARR. BY RALPH VAUGHAN WILLIAMS
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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

HYMN OF FAITH

IN THE CROSS OF CHRIST I GLORY

#295 V 1-3
WORDS BY JOHN BOWRING
MUSIC BY ITHAMAR CONKEY
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1. In the cross of Christ I glory, towering o'er the wrecks of time; all the light of sacred story gathers round its head sublime.
2. When the woes of life o'ertake me, hopes deceive, and fears annoy, never shall the cross forsake me. Lo! it glows with peace and joy.
3. When the sun of bliss is beaming light and love upon my way, from the cross the radiance streaming adds more luster to the day.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

MARK 8:27-30

SERMON

“SO MANY OPINIONS - ONLY ONE TRUTH”

REV. LARAINÉ WAUGHTAL

ANTHEM

WHO AM I?

RUSTY GOODMAN