

Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 26, 2023

10 am

GATHERING TO PRAISE GOD

Preservice Music

Northside Chapel Praise Band

Prelude

Prelude & Fugue in G minor, BWV 558 *Prelude*

Andy Potts

~J.S.Bach

Welcome & Announcements

Eggs

Holy Week Services

Cookie Walk

Call to Worship

(responsively)

Worship Leader

Good morning! Please remain standing and join me in the Call to Worship:

Lent calls us to journey, this and every day,
following Jesus wherever He leads us.

Lent calls us to journey:

to sit at Jesus' feet, to allow ourselves to be challenged,
and to walk with Jesus in the way that leads to life.

Lent calls us to worship together,
to tell future generations the good news.

Lent calls us to practice justice,
to bring God's hope to all people.

Lent calls us to faithful living,
to trust the One who gives us life.

Lent calls each of us to take up our cross,
to trust the One who bears it with us.

Lent calls us to journey with God.

Let us worship God, who walks with us,
this and every day.

Opening Hymn

He Leadeth Me

UMH #128

Verse 1

He leadeth me: O blessed thought! O words with heavenly comfort fraught!

Whate'er I do, where'er I be, still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

He leadeth me, He leadeth me, by His own hand, He leadeth me;

His faithful follower I would be, for by His hand He leadeth me.

Verse 2

Sometimes 'mid scenes of deepest gloom, sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom

By waters still, o'er troubled sea, still 'tis His hand that leadeth me.
He leadeth me, He leadeth me, by His own hand, He leadeth me;
His faithful follower I would be, for by His hand he leadeth me.

Verse 3

Lord I would place my hand in Thine, nor ever murmur nor repine;
Content, whatever lot I see, since 'tis my God that leadeth me.
He leadeth me, He leadeth me, by His own hand, He leadeth me;
His faithful follower I would be, for by His hand He leadeth me.

Verse 4

And when my task on earth is done, when by Thy grace the victory's won,
E'en death's cold wave I will not flee, since God through Jordan leadeth me.
He leadeth me, He leadeth me, by His own hand, He leadeth me;
His faithful follower I would be, for by His hand He leadeth me.

Prayer of Confession (*responsively*)

Worship Leader

I invite you to join me in our prayer of confession, which will be followed by a time of silent confession:

Gracious God, You lead us and call us to follow. As we search our hearts through this season of Lent, we confess that we have sinned. We have turned away from those in need. We have not lifted up the lowly. We have strayed from Your will. We have failed to do the things You have called us to do. We have looked on others with judgment rather than compassion. Forgive us, we pray. Lift us out of our sin and fill our hearts with Your goodness and love. See us as we are. Show us mercy and remember us today. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, Your Son. Amen.

All continue to pray in silence.

Assurance of Pardon

Worship Leader

Hear the good news:

This is love: not that we loved God, but that God loved us and sent the Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. Friends, God has given us in Jesus a balm for the sin-sick soul. In Him, we are forgiven. Glory to God! Amen.

Response

There Is a Balm in Gilead
(vv. 1-2)

UMH #375

Refrain

There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole
There is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul

Verse 1

Sometimes I feel discouraged, and think my work's in vain
But then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again **(Refrain)**

Verse 2

Don't ever feel discouraged, for Jesus is your friend

And if you look for knowledge He'll ne'er refuse to lend **(Refrain)**

A Message for Young Disciples

Cara Norris

Proclamation and Response

Song of Preparation

Wonderful, Merciful Savior

Northside Chapel Praise Band

Dawn Rodgers | Eric Wyse

Verse 1

Wonderful merciful Savior | Precious Redeemer and Friend
Who would have thought that a Lamb | Could rescue the souls of men
Oh You rescue the souls of men

Chorus

You are the One that we praise | You are the One we adore
You give the healing and grace | Our hearts always hunger for
Oh our hearts always hunger for

Verse 2

Counselor Comforter Keeper | Spirit we long to embrace
You offer hope when our hearts | Have hopelessly lost the way
Oh we hopelessly lost the way **(Chorus)**

Verse 3

Almighty infinite Father | Faithfully loving Your own
Here in our weakness You find us | Falling before Your throne
Oh we're falling before Your throne **(Chorus)**

Gospel Reading

Luke 17:11-19

Worship Leader

The Gospel reading is from the Gospel of Luke, chapter 17, beginning in verse 11:

¹¹ On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³ they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" ¹⁴ When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵ Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶ He prostrated himself at Jesus's feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine?" ¹⁸ Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹ Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Message

On the Journey to Jerusalem

Pastor Jen Eschliman

Prayers of the People

Pat/Jen

The Lord's Prayer

Pat/Jen

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 the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts to God

Jen

Offertory

Clair de Lune/Blessed Assurance

Andy Potts

Quoting *Clair de Lune* by Claude Debussy And *Blessed Assurance* by Phoebe Palmer Knapp
Arr. Kendall Lord

Doxology

UMH #95

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

Closing Hymn

The Goodness of God

Verse 1

I love You Lord | Oh Your mercy never fails me | All my days
I've been held in Your hands | From the moment that I wake up
Until I lay my head | I will sing of the goodness of God

Chorus

All my life You have been faithful | All my life You have been so so good
With every breath that I am able | I will sing of the goodness of God

Verse 2

I love Your voice | You have led me through the fire | In darkest night
You are close like no other | I've known You as a father
I've known You as a friend | I have lived in the goodness of God

Chorus

Bridge

Your goodness is running after | It's running after me | Your goodness is running after
It's running after me | With my life laid down | I'm surrendered now
I give You everything | Your goodness is running after | It's running after me **(Repeat)**

Chorus (x2)

Sending Forth

Benediction

Jen

Postlude

Prelude & Fugue in G minor, BWV 558 *Fugue*
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