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Third Sunday in Lent March 3, 2024 ~ 8:30AM & 11:00AM

PRELUDE Jesus Paid It All (Forrest / arr. Wagner)

WELCOME AND MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

Please sign the registration pad and pass it to your neighbor in the pew.

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God shows steadfast love and blesses to the thousandth generation those who follow God's ways. In love, God sent Jesus to bless and redeem God's people. God forgives us our sins and restores us to new life. Let us rejoice in God's mercy.

Thanks be to God.

LET US PRAY

Holy God, in Jesus Christ you have built for us an eternal house, a temple of righteousness, a place of gracious plenty for the hungry and abundant life for the poor in spirit. Fill us with zeal for the body of Christ. Overturn the tables of corruption and greed and upset the imbalance of injustice, so that we may worship you in spirit and truth; through Jesus Christ, who is risen indeed. Amen.

♣PASSING OF THE PEACE

★BAPTISM (11:00)

Violet Krewe Sarff

daughter of Chelsea Harless and Brett Sarff

Lennon Walding

daughter of Wendy and Kyle Walding

★THE APOSTLES' CREED

¥GLORIA PATRI

OFFERING At the Cross (Barry)

₩DOXOLOGY

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PSALTER (8:30) #750

Psalm 19

HYMN OF PREPARATION #425

O Crucified Redeemer

GOSPEL LESSON

John 2:13-22

SERMON

"Where Is Your Zeal?"

Dr. Darren M. McClellan

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING UMH #13

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BREAKING THE BREAD / GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

COMMUNION RESPONSE

Holy, holy, holy Lord; God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!

Blest is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

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CLOSING HYMN #444

O Young and Fearless Prophet

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE There Is a Fountain

(Forrest / arr. Wagner)

¥ Stand as able

Assisting in Worship Today:

Dr. Darren M. McClellan, Liturgist: Cathi Parish Acolytes: (8:30) Darby Butler (11:00) Ford & Whit Macklem Music Team: Tom Hood, John Richardson, Chancel Choir Media and Sound: John McClellan, Toby Monckton Ushers: (8:30) Mark Woodrow (11:00) Mark Woodrow



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OPENING SONG

Good God Almighty

Shea White, Praise Team

WELCOME~CELEBRATION OF MINISTRY

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SINGING OUR PRAISES

Alive and Breathing 10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord) Heart of Worship

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SERMON "The Heart of Worship"

Rev. Laura Parker

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RESPONDING TO THE WORD

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

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GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

As you come before God to receive this Holy Meal,
You are invited to bring all of who you are as an offering
to the one who has given all of who he is for us.

***Baskets are available to present your offering
as you come forward to receive the bread and cup.

INVITATION TO PRAYER AND CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

SENDING FORTH

Assisting in Worship Today: Rev. Laura Parker
Acolytes: Jack & Nate Waldhour
Communion Servers: Adelicia & Mark Phillips, Shelly & Rick Fitzhugh
Music: Shea White and Praise Band
Media and Sound: Jamie Waldhour, Nellie Meyers, Karl Langley



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