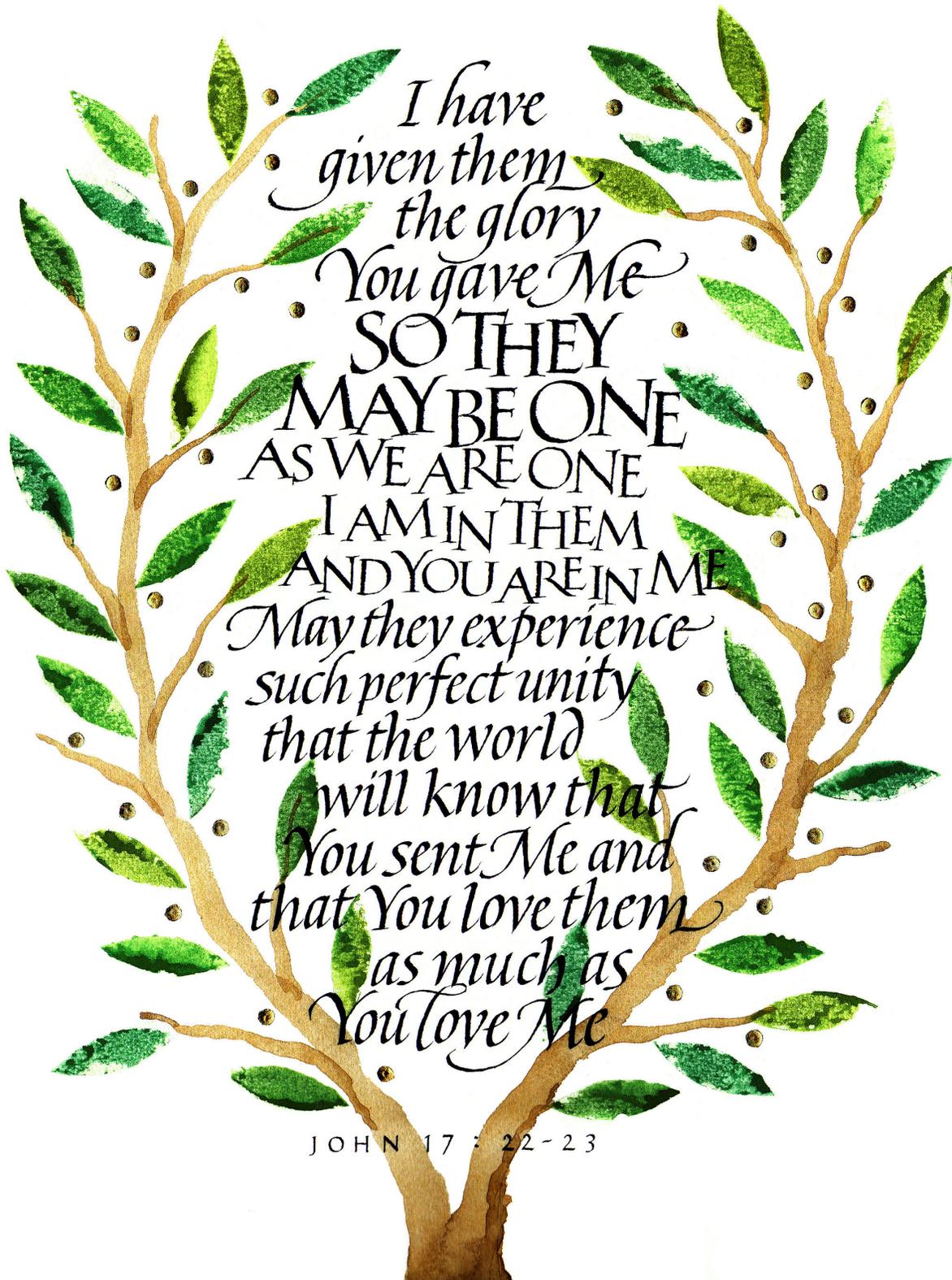


MARCH 15, 2026 | 8:00 A.M. CHAPEL COMMUNION SERVICE
IN THE WAY OF IONA ABBEY, SCOTLAND



*I have
given them
the glory
You gave Me
SO THEY
MAY BE ONE
AS WE ARE ONE
I AM IN THEM
AND YOU ARE IN ME
May they experience
such perfect unity
that the world
will know that
You sent Me and
that You love them
as much as
You love Me*

JOHN 17 : 22 - 23

COMMUNION SERVICE
8:00 a.m., Cedarholm Chapel

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

The Lord is great and greatly to be praised.
His glory is above the heavens.
The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it.
Let us worship the Holy One in spirit and in truth!

*** HYMN 307**

God of Grace and God of Glory

CWM RHONDDA

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Have mercy on us, O God,
According to your steadfast love.
In your great compassion
blot out our transgressions.
Wash us thoroughly from our iniquity
and cleanse us from our sin.
Create in us a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within us,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit;
a broken and contrite heart God will not despise.
Hear the Gospel:
**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!
In Jesus Christ, we become a new creation!
Praise to you, Lord Jesus!**

SCRIPTURE READING

John 17:20-26 (*NT, page 111*)
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Rev. Rami Almaqdasi

SERMON

Praying with Jesus: Unify

Rev. Rami Almaqdasi

INVITATION

THE 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.

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.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

In your body broken and in your blood shed for all of us, Lord, we have tasted and seen that you are good. Thank you for giving us new life and new hope and for preparing us to live as your people. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness of heart. Amen.

* HYMN 300

We are One in the Spirit

THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS

BENEDICTION

TITHES AND OFFERING

Your offering for the Kirk's ministry will be received as you leave worship. Our giving is an offering to God. All offerings are part of our worship of God and are used to support the Kirk's ministry. Text "KITH" to 73256 to give using your mobile device.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Stephen Ministers are available for personal, confidential prayer following the service. You will find them in the front pew, on the pulpit side, near the window.



A Note from Rev. Dr. Edwin Estevez

Praying with Jesus

Welcome to this Lenten gathering. To families nurturing faith at home, to leaders seeking wisdom, to those longing to belong, and to those rediscovering faith after distance—this journey includes you.

Lent reminds the Church that discipleship is not solitary. As Jesus approaches the cross, he prays for unity: “That they may all be one.” His prayer extends across centuries—to us.

Unity is not uniformity. It is shared life rooted in divine love. To pray with Jesus is to ask that God’s reconciling grace shape our relationships, our church, and our witness in the world.

As we continue this Lenten journey, let us be grounded in God’s presence and prepared to encounter Christ in worship today. We also invite you to look ahead as we continue our series *Praying with Jesus*. Let us prepare for worship.

In Christ,

Sr. Pastor | Head of Staff | Kirk in the Hills

Forthcoming Sundays:

March 15 – “Unify” (John 17:20–26)

March 22 – “Enjoy” (John 17:11b–21)

March 29 – “Lament” (Matthew 23:37–39) – Palm Sunday

April 2 – Maundy Thursday

5:30 p. m. Family Communion Service with foot washing

7:30 p.m. – *Journey to Jerusalem*

8:45 p.m. – Tenebrae and Stripping of the Paraments

April 3 – Good Friday

Sanctuary Open for Prayer: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Worship Services: 12:00 p.m. | 3:00 p.m. | 7:30 p.m.

April 5 – Easter Sunday

6:45 a.m. – Sunrise Service (Columbarium)

7:00 a.m. – Sanctuary Worship

9:00 a.m. – Sanctuary Worship

11:00 a. m. – Sanctuary Worship



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