



Welcome, friends, from far and near.
Let us worship God who is surely here.
Let us pray, sing, share the Word and give;
then let us joyfully go into God's world to live. *Please indicate your desires for visitation, or information about joining Celebration Church on the Ritual of Friendship Pad. *Prayer cards are provided for sharing your joys and concerns. Please write your prayer request on the back of a prayer card and write your name on the front and the ushers will collect the prayer cards before the Prayers of the People.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Forgiving One, be present here this day. Create in us clean hearts and right spirits, so that our paths are your path and our thoughts are your thoughts. Amen.

Sunday, March 4, 2018

3rd Sunday in Lent

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Prelude
Chiming the Hour
*Hymn No. 5

God the Sculptor of the Mountains
Cantor on v. 1, all on v. 2-4

Greeting The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**
Welcome, Ritual of Friendship, Prayer Cards, Announcements and Opening Prayer

*Sharing the Peace of Christ The Peace of Christ be with You. **And also with you!**
(Please exchange signs of Christ's peace with those near you.)

TO WORSHIP THE LORD OUR GOD

***Responsive Call to Worship**

Liturgist: Peg Speidel

In the scriptures and in beauty, in community and in reflection, **we hear God's speaking**
Let us worship God who calls, **and attend to the voice of our Creator.**
Let us raise our voices to praise the Lord. **Let us glorify God together.**

***Hymn No. 394**

Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

Call to Confession

Liturgist: Peg Speidel

Friends, we all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. The good news is that with God, grace abounds and forgiveness is real to all who confess. Let us confess our sins collectively and then personally.

Unison Prayer of Confession

Liturgist: Peg Speidel

While your voice echoes everywhere, and you call us to worship you, we confess that we are too often distracted and many things compete for our attention: we serve false gods and trust in empty promises. We can so easily be lured from you by hollow images that do not know our names. We spend our energy on things that cannot satisfy. We envy those who live by

destructive values of competitiveness and greed. We mindlessly live in ways that hurt those close to us and those whose suffering we do not see. Forgive us, O God. Whisper in our ears and call for our attention. Bring us to a solid place of awareness, so that when we gaze at the stars and feel the sun's warmth we may be aware of your hands that created them. Empower us to live and to keep your commandments. We pray in Jesus' name, amen.

Silence for Personal Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Liturgist: Peg Speidel
Friends, hear the good news and believe it: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! **Thanks be to God.**

Affirmation of Faith

The Apostle's Creed ***PCUSA Book of Confessions***
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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on 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 Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

***Hymn No. 581**

Glory Be to the Father
**** The children are invited to join the Pastor on the steps ****

GLORIA PATRI

Time With Young Disciples

Children's Church follows in Room 5

TO WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYER AND SHARED STEWARDSHIP

Prayers of the People – Sharing Our Joys and Concerns (Please pass your prayer cards to an usher.)
Prayer of Intercession and The Lord's Prayer ("debts and debtors")

Giving of God's Tithe and Our Offerings

Offertory ***It Is Well With My Soul***

Celebration Choir

*Doxology Hymn No. 606 ***Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow***

OLD HUNDREDTH

***Unison Prayer of Dedication**

Generous God, we thank you for all your abundant gifts. Bless these tithes and offerings to build up your people and to further your work in the world. We thank you for your abundant grace, mercy and love. In Jesus' name we pray, amen.

TO WORSHIP THROUGH THE WORD, SHARED WITNESS AND SACRAMENT

Scripture

John 2:13-22

NRSV

The Word of the Lord. ***Thanks be to God***

Sermon

Righteous Anger

Tom Dendy

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

*Hymn before Communion No. 498 ***Loaves Were Broken, Words were Spoken***

BEACH SPRING

Invitation to the Lord's Table / Words of Institution / Prayer of Consecration and Preparation

Sharing the Bread and Cup (Distribution by Elders, please hold until all have been served)

***Unison Prayer After Communion**

God, we thank you that you have fed us in this sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet in your eternal realm. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

AND RESPOND IN FAITHFUL SERVICE IN THE WORLD

*Charge and Benediction

*Closing Hymn No. 432

How Clear is Our Vocation, Lord

REPTON

*Postlude

Sarah Abushakra

(*If able, please stand at these points in the service.)

Following worship today, a brief service of prayer for healing and wholeness will be held. The service consists of prayer with anointing with oil and laying on of hands. All are invited.

CELEBRATION HAPPENINGS		
Sun Mar 4	Third Sunday in Lent	
	Relay for Life Meeting	12:15 pm
	Journey to the Cross Meeting	12:15 pm
	Service of prayer for healing and wholeness	12:00 pm
Tue Mar 6	Quilters	10:00 am
Wed Mar 7	Choir Rehearsal	7:00 pm
Thu Mar 8	Potluck Dinner with Family Feud Game following	5:30 pm
Sun Mar 11	Fourth Sunday in Lent -- Daylight Saving Time Begins	2:00 am
	Adult Bible Study	9:15 am
	Choir Rehearsal	10:00 am
	Coffee and Fellowship / Nursery	10:15 am
	MISSION POSSIBLE - Worship, Children's Church, He-Brews Cafe for the Youth	11:00 am

Serving March 11

Visitor Table: Linda Miller Nursery: Betsy Hughes

Children's Church PreK-Kindergarten: Tonja Paolini

Grades 1-5: Trudy Miller Preacher: Tom Dendy

Media Shout: Bernadine Lamar Sound Board: Carol Butler

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March 4, 2018 11:00 a.m. Worship

Celebrating 15 Years of Faithful Mission and Ministry!

Join the Lenten Journey...



The Third Sunday in Lent

JOIN US AT CELEBRATION

We are Christ followers who are open, accepting, loving and welcoming to all!