



MADISON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Madison Presbyterian Church

March 21, 2021 — 10:00 A.M.

5th Sunday in Lent

GATHERING GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE

Choral Dorian

Alain

WELCOME

INVOCATION

L: Dear Heavenly Father, we thank you for your mercy—a mercy which found us when we were lost and a mercy which leads us, even now, to the light of your presence.

R: Lord, we ask that, through the power of your Holy Spirit, you will abide with us in our worship this day. We ask that your love may fuel our words and our actions. We pray that our desire to please you will become and remain your healing hand in us, your loving heart in us and your welcoming face through us in the world. We pray in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE CALL TO WORSHIP PRAYER

L: Dear God, we know that all moments are yours. Time is a mystery perceived by each of us differently. For some, it is fast. For others, this time may pass slowly.

R: God of time, Eternal Creator, draw us closer to your presence until we no longer think of this and that. Instead, may we find ourselves in the eternal *now* of your reign.

L: Lord, abide with us in this precious hour. Strengthen our hearts for the drama of the cross. Hold out the hope once more of the resurrection.

R: Father God, may we become and remain your confessing people. Make us willing to walk with you through storm and through calm, testifying to the power of the Good News of Jesus Christ in all circumstances. This we pray in your name. Amen.

THE CALL TO CONFESSION

L: It is for this time in our worship service that Jesus Christ has come. Jesus came so that all people might be drawn to the cross.....to the tomb....and into the waiting arms of God. Our God is a loving God who forgives. Let us go to God in prayer.

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

L: Creator God, we confess we are tempted to lose faith and even rail against you when trouble assails us.

R: We confess that in anger, fear or despair we may resist what you wait patiently to do for us.

(A period of silence is observed.)

L: Lord, forgive us for failing to be constant in trusting you.

R: Forgive us for not thanking you enough. Forgive and transform us in the desert of our sin. We pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

L: In Jesus Christ, God forgives us and grants us mercy and grace. Believe the Good News of the Gospel. Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

R: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE John 12:20-33 (See text following.)

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

R: Thanks be to God.

THE MESSAGE What Time Is It?

ANTHEM Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said

RESPONDING IN FAITH

***THE APOSTLES' CREED**

***DOXOLOGY**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (*using "debts" and "debtors"*) 35

***HYMN** Our God, Our Help in Ages Past (See text following.)

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE Adagio Krieger

Liturgist—Dan Smith

Ushers—Connie Huntington and Paul Torres

Holy God, We Praise Your Name

Holy God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we bow before you.
All on earth your scepter claim; all in heaven above adore you.
Infinite your vast domain, everlasting is your reign.

Hark! The glad celestial hymn angel choirs above are raising;
cherubim and seraphim, in unceasing chorus praising,
fill the heavens with sweet accord: "Holy, holy, holy Lord!"

All apostles join the strain as your sacred name they hallow;
prophets swell the glad refrain, and the blessed martyrs follow,
and from morn to set of sun, through the church the song goes on.

Holy Father, Holy Son, Holy Spirit: three we name you,
while in essence only one; undivided God we claim you,
and adoring, bend the knee while we own the mystery.

John 12:20-33

²⁰Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. ²¹They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." ²²Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. ²³Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. ²⁵Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor. ²⁷"Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. ²⁸Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." ²⁹The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." ³⁰Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. ³¹Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. ³²And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." ³³He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

Our God, our Help in Ages Past

Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home:
Beneath the shadow of thy throne thy saints have dwelt secure;
sufficient is thine arm alone, and our defense is sure.
Before the hills in order stood, or earth received its frame,
from everlasting thou art God, to endless years the same.
A thousand ages in thy sight are like an evening gone,
short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun.
Time, like an ever rolling stream, bears all our years away;
they fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the opening day.
Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
be thou our guard while life shall last, and our eternal home.

PRAYER LIST

Congregation: Mark Andreasen, Sharon Auxier, Dennis and Karen Bessenecker, Shannon Glass, Sandy Gold, Mary Louise Grimes, Bob and Pat Hughes, Al Huntington, Betty King, Denise Leiske, Beth Orrill, Alicia Ricketts, Pam Sandoz, Jennifer Saroka, Ted Skrypak, Staci Torres, Sondie Williams, Greg Ziesemer.

Family and Friends: Anne Armand, Mark Ashbrook, Karen Ault, Steve Baker, Michelle Barlow, Michael Busching, James Callahan, Becky Chase, children separated from their parents, Marie Cross, Jeff Daghir, Andrew Damm, Angel Dart, Jordan Davis, Phillip Eades, Steve Facemire, Shirley Griffith, Chuck Hale, Milly Harness, Sarah Hull, Curtis Jacobs, Heidi Kendall and family, Joni Lanham, Jeff Lineburg (Janet Castor's twin brother), Madison Correctional Facility, Madison State Hospital, Shane Mason, Yolanda Modley, Margie and Frank Moller (Connie Huntington's sister and brother-in-law), Bob Rouse, Janet Savage (Cathy Owsley's sister), Jeff, Janna and Rachel Schmidt, John Schutte (Carole Hanson's son-in-law), Dan Shearer, Laryssa Smith, Jody Sullivan, Trey Taylor, Kenneth Thompson (Harriette Parton's grandson), Rodney Thompson, Jean Trillet (Jim Grant's sister), Staci Turner, Warren (friend of Bob and Judith Glass), Dawson Whitaker, Laurel Lyn Wiest, Kyle Wilson, Judy Wolf.

MPC Rotating Prayer Calendar for the Week of March 21

Alicia and Zach Ricketts

Elsie and Henry

Eric Newman

Joan McFadden

Easter Lilies this year will be \$15.50 per plant. If you would like to order a lily in memory or in honor of a loved one, please fill out the form below and leave it with your payment in the offering box. We have reserved twelve lilies with the florist. Opportunity to take the lilies home following Easter worship will be offered to the first twelve orders indicating they would like to do so.

Lily Order

Ordered by: _____

In memory of/in honor of:

Number of plants ordered: _____

Amount enclosed: _____

Will take plant(s) home after Easter:

Yes _____ No _____

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“We are part of the Family of God! As a Christian family, we seek to practice the generous hospitality of Jesus Christ, who welcomes all. As a worshipping family, we seek to enhance and expand our experience of God in worship.

As a family of Christ’s disciples, we seek to grow in our understanding of God’s grace and God’s claim upon our lives. As a mission-oriented family,

we express our faith in action. As an historic Presbyterian family in a contemporary setting, we are rooted and grounded in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) as we strive to remain relevant to the needs of our community.

As the joyful children of God, we live in faith, hope and love!”

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