

Jesse Lee United Methodist Church
March 27, 2022
Fourth Sunday in Lent

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

**You are invited to stand as you are able.*

"The lost are found. The dead return to life. This is the Lord's doing; it is wondrous in our sight."
-Luke 15

Prelude Seasonal Music
Greetings and Announcements

Call to Worship

L: Praise the Lord, all you nations!

*P: **Extol him, all you peoples!***

L: For great is his steadfast love toward us,

*P: **and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever.***

*All: **Praise the Lord!*** -Psalm 117

***Opening Hymn:** "All My Hope Is Firmly Grounded" UMH# 132

Opening Prayer & Prayer of Confession (In unison)

God our Mother and Father, we come to you as children. Be with us as we learn to see one another with new eyes, hear one another with new hearts, and treat one another with a new way. Lord Jesus Christ you are the way of peace. Come into the brokenness of our lives and our land with your healing love. Help us be willing to bow before you in true repentance, and to bow to one another in real forgiveness. Fill us, O Lord, with your perfect love, which casts out fear, and bind us together in that unity which you share with the Father and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayers of the Christ's Church for Others and Ourselves

(Sharing Our Joys and Concerns)

Pastoral Prayer

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 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, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

Children's Time

"Jesus Loves Me"

UMH #191

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD OF GOD

Anthem **"Come, Touch the Robe", from the Cantata "Come Touch the Robe", Words and Music by Pepper Chopin**

Old Testament Reading: Joshua 5:9-12

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Message: "Bad Boy/Lost Boy" Pastor Fern Blair Hart

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

Hymn: "Come Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy" UMH # 340

+Exchange of Signs of the Peace of the Risen Christ

Offering Ourselves & Our Gifts to the Glory of God

Offertory **Vocal Selection by Joanne Kant, "Offertory" by John Ness Beck, Transcribed by Craig Courtney**

+Doxology

Prayer of Dedication (In unison)

All things come from you, O God, and with gratitude we return to you what is yours. You created all that is, and with love formed us in your image. When our love failed, your love remained steadfast. You gave

your only Son Jesus Christ to be our Savior. All that we are, and all that we have, is a trust from you. And so, in gratitude for all your gifts, we offer you ourselves, and all that we have, in union with Christ's offering for us. By your Holy Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

WE CARRY THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

Sending Hymn: "What Wondrous Love Is This" UMH#292

Benediction

Postlude "Ben Hur" the Theme from the movie "Ben Hur"
Arrangement by Joseph Swindon

Lections for 4-3-2022: Isaiah 43:16-21; Psalm 126; Philippians 3:4b-14; John 12:1-8

* The Lenten Book Study "Witness at the Cross" continues Tuesday March 29th at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom See Pastor Fern for details

* Semi-Annual Document Shredding Event Saturday May 14th 8:30am to 12:30pm Rain or Shine \$15 per box, \$10 per box for seniors

* Support For Ukraine Throughout Lent we will be collecting money for UMCOR International Disaster Response. Please write checks to Jesse Lee UMC with UMCOR in the memo line. Also, prayers for peace and healing are crucial at this time. - OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Holy Week: Palm Sunday 4/10 @ 10:00am, Maundy Thursday 4/14 @ 7:00pm, Good Friday 4/15 @ noon, Easter Sunday 4/17 @ 10:00am

*Tag Sale @ THE EASTON SENIOR CENTER 650 Morehouse Road, Tuesdays 3/17- thru 4/29. 8am-3pm. Proceeds to provide classes for seniors. For more information call 203-268-1145

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