

SERVICE OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

11:00 a.m.

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

March 19, 2017

The service of worship begins with the prelude. Please be mindful of those who are praying.

“When a foreigner resides among you in your land, do not mistreat them. The foreigner residing among you must be treated as your native-born. Love them as yourself, for you were foreigners in Egypt.” Leviticus 19:33-34

PRELUDE Woman, Behold your Son Franz Josef Haydn

INTROIT Come Sing, O Church, in Joy! *Tune:* DARWELL’S 148TH

*CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER OF ADORATION

***HYMN** No. 475 *Tune:* NETTLETON
Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

CONFESSION OF SIN

Eternal God, you are coming in power to bring all nations under your rule. We confess that we have not expected your kingdom, for we live casual lives, ignoring your promised judgment. We accept lies as truth, exploit neighbors, abuse the earth, and refuse your justice and peace. In your mercy, forgive us. Grant us wisdom to welcome your way, and to seek things that will endure when Christ comes to judge the world. Amen.

LENTEN PETITION No. 215 stanza 1

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul!

DECLARATION OF PARDON

***LENTEN HYMN OF PRAISE** No. 215 stanza 3

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing,
To God and to the Lamb, I will sing;
To God and to the Lamb who is the great I AM,
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing;
While millions join the theme, I will sing!

*WORDS OF PEACE

Minister: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: Peace be with you.
(Please greet your neighbors with words of God’s peace.)

WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

(Please sign and pass the Friendship Registers at this time.)

INVITATION TO THE CHILDREN

ANTHEM

Be Still and Know
Chancel Choir

Anne McNair

(Congregation please join the choir on the refrain – see insert)

UNISON PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

O God, in whom there is no darkness at all, grant us now the light of Jesus Christ, that we may clearly see the way to walk, the truth to speak, the life to live for him, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 55:1-3

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NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

John 4:3-30

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SERMON

“Stay in Your Lane, Jesus!”

Rev. Shelburne

“Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, ‘What do you want?’ or, ‘Why are you speaking with her?’” John 4:27

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from “The Confession of 1967”

The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church’s mission. His human life involves the church in the common life of all people. His service to men and women commits the church to work for every form of human well-being. His suffering makes the church sensitive to all human suffering so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of persons in every kind of need. His crucifixion discloses to the church God’s judgment on the inhumanity that marks human relations, and the awful consequences of the church’s own complicity in injustice. In the power of the risen Christ and the hope of his coming, the church sees the promise of God’s renewal of human life in society and of God’s victory over all wrong. Amen.

*HYMN

No. 769
For Everyone Born

Tune: FOR EVERYONE BORN

THE PRAYERS

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Sonata for Oboe, First Movement

Camille Saint-Saens

*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

No. 2 stanza 4

To thee, great One in Three, eternal praises be,
Hence evermore! Thy sovereign majesty may
We in glory see, and to eternity love and adore.

***THE LORD'S PRAYER** (debts/debtors)

***HYMN**

No. 761

Tune: BEECHER

Called as Partners In Christ's Service

***BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE**

Tune: SURGE ECCLESIA

Service Be Our Sure Vocation

POSTLUDE

Fantasy in g minor

J. S. Bach

*Congregation please stand.