WORSHIP SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY 2nd SUNDAY IN LENT

FEBRUARY 28, 2021

10:00 am

PRELUDE "Brethren, We Have Met to Worship" arr. Donald Hustad

WORDS OF WELCOME & WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP

Day by day, God leads us: One:

Many: To the deep, deep pools of peace. To the green, lush lawns of

grace.

Day by day, Christ calls us: One:

To pour out ourselves in service, to anoint the stranger with

hope.

Day by day, the Spirit shows us: One:

The community we could be, the family we are called to become. All:

HYMN OF PRAISE "Brethren, We Have Met to Worship"

Brethren, we have met to worship and adore the Lord our God. Will you pray with all your power while we try to preach the word? All is vain unless the Spirit of the Holy One comes down. Brethren, pray, and holy manna will be showered all around.

Let us love our God supremely; let us love each other, too. Let us love and pray for sinners till our God makes all things new. Christ will call us home to heaven; at His table we'll sit down. Christ will gird Himself and serve us with sweet manna all around.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

When we do not listen to Your voice in the depths of our own hearts, calling us to love and forgive: God have mercy. When we do not listen to Your voice in our common life, calling us to welcome the stranger and create community: Christ have mercy. When we do not listen to Your voice in our world, calling us to work for justice and make peace: Spirit have mercy. Now hear us as we silently lift up our personal prayers of confession.

FAMILY TIME

ANTHEM "By Our Love" Phillip Keveren

Deuteronomy 30:11-20 SCRIPTURE LESSON

Ken Dewell Now what I am commanding you today is not too difficult for you or beyond your reach. It is not up in heaven, so that you have to ask, "Who will ascend into heaven to get it and proclaim it to us so we may obey it?" Nor is it beyond the sea, so that you have to ask, "Who will cross the sea to get it and proclaim it to us so we may obey it?" No, the word is very near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart so you may obey it. See, I set before you today life and prosperity, death and destruction. For I command you today to love the LORD your God, to walk in obedience to Him, and to keep His commands, decrees and laws; then you will live and increase, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land you are entering to possess. . . Now choose life, so that you and your children may live and that you may love the LORD your God, listen to His voice, and hold fast to Him. For the LORD is your life, and He will give you many years in the land He swore to give to your fathers, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

SERMON UPSIDE DOWN Louis Imsande

> #2: Loving God 1 John 3:10-24

RECEIVING TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

CHORAL BENEDICTION "The Lord Bless You and Keep You" Peter Lutkin

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "What Wondrous Love" arr. Albin Whitworth

Pastor Director of Music Ministries Director of Family Ministries The Rev. Louis Imsande Dr. Lana S. Pollard Madison Gulley

SHAKE + SHINE WEEKLY CHALLENGE



Pay it Forward
Personally invite someone to church (online - in person)
or to a Bible Study

PRAYING DAILY FOR THE BODY OF CHRIST

Week 1: Charles Lee, Harry Stullenbarger, Brenda Lawson, Bob Babb, Nealie Moree, Liz Williamson, Sheryl Jones, Eileen Watson, Diana Faison, Becky Veselick, Judi Bombich

Week 2: Jesse Diemer, Keith, Brian Foderaro, David, Danielle, Jack Moree, Carolyn Dewell, Dina Wells, Jan Shepherd, Jim White, Karen Steinmetz, Judi McNair, Charlotte Crosby, Ann McKinnon, Susie Lowenbach

Week 3: Carolyn Wolfe, Irene Dent, Betty O'Brien, Kristin Fritz Magann, Georgia Warren, Evelyn Reilly

Week 4: Norma Mead, Susie Swift, Katherine Collins, Mitch Mims, Delores Beck, Bill, Robbie Tate, Steve Davis, Linda Walker-Smith

THE CHURCH AT HOME: Winnie Farley, Bettie Motsinger
THE LAKES AT LITCHFIELD: Kay Shands, Frances Traynham
MYRTLE BEACH ESTATES: Nina Bryant THRIVE: Isabel Duncan
MORNINGSIDE: Lou Bushnell ARBOR LANDING: Betty Coram

BLUE RIDGE NURSING HOME: William Knippschild

GLOBAL MISSIONS: ROCKbridge Ministries (Kenya), Camajuani PC, Possibilities Africa

CONFIRMANDS: Addy Hapeshis, Breckin Lottchea, Wheeler Marlow, Dawson Richardson OUR CHURCH: Choir, Bells, Musicians, Worship Team LOCAL CHURCH: God's House – Johnny Ford

During the season of Lent, the sanctuary flowers are being replaced with dormant branches consistent with this season of austerity and simple reflection.

We anticipate with hope the budding of a beautiful Spring and the reality of resurrection on Easter morning.

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