

Celebration of Worship

Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 31, 2019

9:30 A.M.

We welcome you to worship. Nursery and Preschool care is available if you need it. The Young are welcomed to the front early on for a special time in the service. Please sign the Friendship Pads so that we can get to know you better, and join us for coffee in the Narthex after the service.

God Invites Us to Worship

PRELUDE

Cantique de Jean Racine

Faure

Flute: Rachel McKay, Sally Turner

WELCOME

WORKCAMP ANNOUNCEMENT

MINUTE FOR MISSION

RINGING THE CHURCH BELL

STILLING

We Offer Praise

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

GOD'S PEOPLE PRAY TOGETHER

* Please stand, if you are able

* HYMNS AND SPIRITUAL SONGS

Arise, Your Light Has Come

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For Everyone Born

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* WE RECEIVE GOD'S BLESSING

We Experience God's Grace

CALL TO CONFESSION

LENTEN PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Holy God, in the light of your holiness we see ourselves as we really are, and we are ashamed. We need to tell you that far too often we have failed you, like a wayward child ignoring or rebelling against a loving parent.

We confess that we are people of impure thoughts and unclean lips; we think too highly of ourselves and too little of others. In fear we hold on to what we need to give, and give only a tiny portion of what you ask of us. We ignore the pain and suffering of the world for our own comfort.

Christ came to bring good news to the poor, proclaim freedom for the oppressed, and proclaim God's love and shalom. How often we have wanted to make a difference, but remained silent and inactive.

We confess to you our failures and disobedience. Forgive us, we pray, in the name of Christ Jesus, our Lord. Amen.

FORGIVENESS DECLARED

God Speaks through the Word

WORDS FOR THE YOUNG & THE YOUNG AT HEART

Message *Why do we sing when we worship?*

Song *It You're Happy and You Know It, Clap Your Hands!*

...Stomp your feet ...Shout Amen! ...Do all THREE!

The Lord's Prayer (Debts/debtors)

Children and Youth are dismissed for Sunday School.

PRAYER FOR GOD'S SPIRIT TO MOVE AMONG US

SCRIPTURE LESSON *Luke 4:16-30*

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SERMON

His Distinctive Lines

Dr. Adelia D. Kelso

We Respond to God's Love

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Only Jesus

Chancel Choir

Williams

PRAYER OF DEDICATION, THANKSGIVING AND PRAISE

God Sends Us Out to Serve

* HYMN

Live Into Hope

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* ANNOUNCEMENTS

* GOD'S BLESSING AS WE GO OUT INTO THE WORLD

* DOXOLOGY (# 592)

* POSTLUDE

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Thiman

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