

Celebration of Worship

March 15, 2020

9:30 A.M.

We welcome you to worship. Nursery & toddler 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.

*We know that all things work together for good
for those who love the Lord.
Romans 8:28*

God Invites Us to Worship

PRELUDE *Celtic Celebration* Martin

WELCOME AND GREETING

RINGING THE CHURCH BELL

PREPARATION IN SILENCE *St. Francis de Sales*
Do not look forward to what may happen tomorrow. The same Everlasting Father, who takes care of you today, will take care of you tomorrow. He will either shield you from suffering or give you the strength to bear it. Be at peace then, and put aside all anxious thoughts and imaginations.

OPENING PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)

Leader: O come, let us sing to our God; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

People: Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving, singing joyful songs of praise!

Leader: Our God is great, Sovereign, above all powers and principalities.

People: The sea, the depths of the earth, the heights of the mountains, indeed all of creation were made by God and belong to God.

Leader: O come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Holy One, our Maker!

People: Yes! God is our God, and we are God's people. O that today we would listen for the Lord's voice!

Leader: Let us not harden our hearts, as they did in the wilderness,

People: When our ancestors tested our Liberator, requiring proof of God's faithfulness, even though they had witnessed miracles.

Leader: For forty years God contended with that generation and said, "They are a people whose hearts go astray and they do not regard my ways."

All: Today, Holy One, we have learned from their struggles. Today we re-dedicate our hearts to you and strain our ears to hear your voice. Speak now, Still-Speaking God, for your people are listening!

God Speaks and Acts through the Word

- * HYMN *O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee* # 357
- WORDS FOR THE YOUNG AND THE YOUNG AT HEART
Children and Youth may go to Sunday School.
- EPISTLE READINGS *Romans 5:1-11* p. 917
Philippians 4:11b-13 p. 955
- SOLO *I Would Be True* Larson
Kathy Barbehenn
- GOSPEL LESSONS *John 4:21-34* p. 865
John 4:5-19
- SERMON *By Tomorrow Morning*
Rev. Phil Davis

We Respond to God's Love

BRINGING GOD OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Calvary Is the Sea* Arr. Hamilton
Chancel Choir

Your broken form upon the cross, Your holy love expressed
Stirs a passion in my soul, calling me to give my best.

Refrain:

No sacrifice I could give to You could match what You have given me,
For my everything is but a drop of dew, and Calvary is the sea.

If I could take the love I feel and capture it with words,
More than what my heart could give is still much less than You deserve. Refrain

If I should ever doubt Your love, my only prayer would be
That You would keep Your rugged cross etched upon my memory! Refrain

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (debts, debtors)

- * HYMN *Be Thou My Vision*

God Sends Us Out to Serve

* ANNOUNCEMENTS

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

All Hail to St. Patrick

Anon.