

Celebration of Worship

March 29, 2020

9:30 A.M.

Thought for Reflection

*I have been young and now I am old,
yet I have not seen the righteous abandoned
or his children begging for bread.*

Psalm 37:25

Prelude *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us* arr. Faircloth

Welcome

Silent Meditation Therese of Lisieux
"I have found my calling. My calling is to love."

Call to Worship

Leader: The prophet asks: Can our soul-weary bones live again?

People: O God, you know!

Leader: We ask: Can we dance again after mourning, loss and grief?

People: O God, you know!

Leader: Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord. Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to our prayers.

People: If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with you.

Leader: Hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love and great power to redemption.

People: I wait for the Lord; my soul waits, and in the word of the Lord I hope.

Leader: Let us worship God!

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn *To God Be the Glory*

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Revitalizing God, your power goes far beyond our own, and yet still we act as though the pains of this world have final claim upon us. We give in to the despair and hopelessness of death, not trusting in your ability to call forth new life from the tombs of our lives.

Forgive us for doubting your power to raise up new life in the midst of all deaths we experience. Forgive us for wanting to limit you to "the last day" or "the world beyond this one," not trusting you to move and act among us, within us, through us. Forgive us, and open our eyes to the wonder of new life sprouting into being in our very midst.

Assurance of Pardon

One: Paul declares that if the Spirit of God dwells in us, the one who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will give life to our mortal bodies through God's Spirit. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. Believe this word of promise and walk in newness of life.

God Speaks Through the Word

Children's Time

Bell Solo *His Eye Is on the Sparrow* arr. Ford

Scripture *John 11:1-15, 38-45*
Psalm 130

Hymn *Spirit of the Living God*

Scripture *Ezekiel 37:1-14*

Sermon *Hear the Word of the Lord* Rev. Phil Davis

Offering Mail in your gifts or look for instructions
for online giving in the April *Pathway*

Prayer Requests

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

Hymn *Softly and Tenderly*

Benediction

Response *God Be with You Till We Meet Again*

Postlude

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. WELCOME to Webster Presbyterian Church! We are pleased that you are worshipping with us today.
2. WE THANK all the speakers, musicians and technical assistants for their participation in today's worship service.
3. THE CHURCH OFFICE is being staffed on a limited basis to receive emails (office@websterpres.org, Kboard@websterpres.org) and return your phone messages (585-265-9700). Please check your email regularly for special announcements and prayer requests. If you have not been receiving emails from the church, contact us with your correct email address.
4. IN CASE OF EMERGENCY when the church office is closed, you may contact Barb Hach (746-0764), Elaine Wilbert (503-9141) or Georgia Hubbard (265-1224) for assistance.
5. SUNDAY SERVICES are being live-streamed at the church's Facebook site (<https://www.facebook.com/Websterpres/>) and can be viewed in real time or later at your leisure. We are also live-streaming on Zoom for those who do not have a Facebook account. See the instructions on how to access Zoom in the April *Pathway* which was emailed out to the congregation this past Wednesday.
6. HOPE MINISTRY is still planning to hold the Foodlink mobile pantry distribution on Friday, April 3rd. They will be giving away large boxes of non-perishable food along with Easter hams to families in need. If you are interested in volunteering, contact Lauren (lanthonypalmer08@gmail.com).

LECTIONARY PASSAGES

<u>Today</u>	
Old Testament	<i>Ezekiel 37:1-14</i>
Psalm	<i>Psalm 130</i>
New Testament	<i>Romans 8:6-11</i>
Gospel	<i>John 11:1-45</i>
<u>Next Sunday, April 5th</u>	
<u>Palm Sunday</u>	
New Testament	<i>Matthew 21:1-11</i>
Psalm	<i>Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29</i>
<u>Passion Sunday</u>	
Old Testament	<i>Isaiah 50:4-9a</i>
Psalm	<i>Psalm 31:9-16</i>
New Testament	<i>Philippians 2:5-11</i>
Gospel	<i>Matthew 26:14 - 27:66</i>

MEMORY VERSE

*"We walk by faith, not by sight."
II Corinthians 5:7*

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