

Established 1851 Madison, Wisconsin

March 11, 2018 The Fourth Sunday in Lent

9:00 am Classical Worship

Welcome to Worship

We are about to enter sacred time, in a place made sacred by our presence and intention. Please turn off or silence your phones, and as you do so, turn down the volume on your fears; remove your masks; and loosen the armor around your heart.

Breathe.

Let go of the expectations placed on you by others—and those you to place on yourself. Drop the guilt and the shame in honest expectation of the possibility of forgiveness. Let go of the thing you said the other day. Let go of the thing you dread next week.

Be here, in this moment. ~ Chip Roush, ad.

Pre-Service Musical Offering

We welcome you to use this time to prepare for worship and direct yourself towards the presence of our Redeemer, Jesus Christ. Please keep silence in the Sanctuary during this time.

Con moto maestoso Felix Mendelssohn
Andante tranquillo Mendelssohn
Bist du bei mir Johann Sebastian Bach
Jesus Paid It All Dan Forrest
Wondrous Love Matt Limbaugh

This setting of "Wondrous Love" was written for,

and is dedicated to organist Robert Haigler.

Just As I Am Gordon Young
How Great Thou Art Albert Zabel

A Community Centered in Christ: gathering in love, growing by grace, going forth to serve.

We Gather in Love

The Introit Lo, God is Here John Dowland Let us adore and bow before his face. Lo, God is in this place

Please stand for
The Call to Worship
See what love God has given us,
that we should be called the children of God!
You alone, O God, make us dwell in safety.
Let the light of your face shine upon us!

Remain standing to sing

The Hymn of Praise O, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Hymnal No. 465 (Azmon)

The Prayer of the Day

The Gloria Patri Hymnal No. 579

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end, Amen, Amen.

You may be seated.

The Prayer of Confession

God of light and truth, in Jesus Christ you give us life with you. Forgive us for lurking in the shadows of our sinfulness; for seeking fellowship apart from your Spirit; for shading the truth, or lying outright; for building our lives on the shakiness of our own strength. Draw us once more into your marvelous light, O God, through your forgiving love. Help us to trust in Christ's victory over sin and death, that we may live righteously and abundantly in the fullness of communion with you and all your people. Amen.

The Kyrie (Lord Have Mercy)

Hymnal No. 574

We mark the season of Lent by singing "Lord, Have Mercy" before our Silent Confession. Please join in singing after the Choir sings it once through.

Our Silent Confession

The Assurance of Forgiveness
Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Welcome — We're glad YOU are worshiping with us today!

Thank you for silencing cell phones and other electronic devices <u>before</u> worship!



A Hearing Loop

Is installed and available. Switch your hearing aid to "T-Cell". Please ask an Usher

if you need assistance.

Congregational spoken responses appear in **bold type.**

Hymns and sung responses will be found in the **BLUE HYMNAL** under the seat in front of you.

Large Print Bulletins, Hymnals and Bibles are available. Ask an Usher.

Please join us –

after Worship today
for coffee
and fellowship
in the Gathering Hall,
outside of the Sanctuary.
Whether you are
a long-time member or
a visitor, we'd like to
get to know you!

The Season of Lent. 2018



I must follow you, Lord, on this Lenten journey I must go where you went with eyes and ears wide open if I'm to change.

... keep me listening,
Lord of all
let me not get lost
or hide among
the heedless sons
and daughters
of my own Jerusalem.

Henry Baron, Talking with God Please stand
Sharing the Peace of Christ
The peace of Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

The Doxology

Hymnal No. 592

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

You may be seated.

Children ages 3-10 are excused at this time for Children's Chapel, in the Sunday School classrooms downstairs.

We Grow by Grace

News of the Church

Lament: Woe Unto Them Who Forsake Him, from Elijah

Felix Mendelssohn ...destruction shall fall upon them, for they have transgressed against him.

Though they are by him redeemed, yet they have spoken falsely against him, and even from him have they fled.

A Reading from Scripture

Habakkuk 2: 6-20

Pew Bible, page 763

The Sermon

Trusting God in Troubling Times: Woe!

Litany of Lament

The Invitation for Giving

The Offertory Anthem A Canticle of Peace

Joseph W. Clokey

And it shall come to pass in the latter day, that the Lord's house shall be established in the top of the mountain, and many shall go and say: "Come ye, and let us go into the house of the Lord, and he will teach us his way, and we will walk in his paths. And he shall judge between the nations, and shall reprove many nations. And they shall beat their swords into plowshares, nation shall not lift sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore.

Come ye, let us walk in the light of the Lord. ~ Isaiah 2:2-4

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, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

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We Go Forth to Serve

The Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (sidebar)

Please stand to sing

The Sending Hymn Lord of Light, Your Name Outshining Hymnal No. 425

We will sing verses 1, 3 and 4.

(Abbot's Leigh)

The Benediction

The Choral Benediction In the Name of the Father John Dowland

The Organ Postlude

Festive Trumpet Tune

David German

Leading in Worship Today

Rev. Dale Chapin, Preacher Steve Collins, Liturgist Kathleen Otterson, Music Director Robert Haigler, Organist The Chancel Choir Meghan Hilker, alto soloist Greeters: Kokou and Florentine Amessepe Ushers: Tom Kelly, Lead; Val Bailey-Rihn, David Rihn, Laurie Stephens Vance, Clinton Otte-Ford

Sound Technician: Bryan Yates Teller: Bob and Barb Sorensen

Next Sunday, March 18 The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Pastor Dale preaching - "Yet..." Scripture: Phillipians 2:1-11; Habakkuk 3:1-19

Pre-Service Music at 8:30 am!

The sound of the harpsichord will fill the Sanctuary as organist Robert Haigler plays Henry Purcell's Suite No.V in C Major. Come early to hear that work, along with hymn settings by various composers and the "Siciliano." from Bach's Sonata No. 2 for Flute.

We leave from here to bear witness to Christ in faithfulness to the scriptures, in harmony with the church of the ages, and in unity with all of Christ's people. ~Our Song of Hope, st. 7