



Sunday, March 10, 2024

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Some became fools through their rebellious ways and suffered affliction because of their iniquities. They loathed all food and drew near the gates of death. Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and he saved them from their distress. He sent out his word and healed them; he rescued them from the grave. Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for mankind. Let them sacrifice thank offerings and tell of his works with songs of joy.

Psalm 107:17-22 (NIV)

From that time on Jesus began to explain to his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things at the hands of the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life.

Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. "Never, Lord!" he said. "This shall never happen to you!"

Jesus turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; you do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns."

Matthew 16:21-23 (NIV)

- *CONNECTING YOU WITH CHRIST AND COMMUNITY* -

Greeters: Mary Ellen Cantrell, Kathy & Doug Hengst, Dianna Bock, Joan Alexander

Ushers: Leigh Shuman, John Wolfe, Robert & Johanna Gingher, Harry & Eileen Flick

The white rose recognizes and bears witness to the life and memory of E. Allen Deaver

The Chancel Flowers are Presented By:

Jane Hartin, in memory of her parents

Gathering in God's Name

Chimes

Prelude

Welcome & Ministry Highlights

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Please sign and pass the "Friendship Pad" down the pew.

At the end of the row, pass it back so that we can greet one another by name after the service.

Minute For Mission

One Great Hour of Sharing

* Call to Worship

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Leader: The season of Lent sets us on a journey.

People: We follow the way of Jesus, who faced trials and temptation.

Leader: Yet like Jesus, we are not alone.

People: Our call is to trust in God alone and to do God's will in all things.

Leader: For God leads us through the wilderness.

All: Let us worship God today!

* Opening Hymn #101 (verse 1) "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

Proclaiming God's Word

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have conformed our lives to the ways of the world and not the ways of your kingdom. We think of ourselves too highly and regard others as lowly. We exalt possessions and power, when you alone are to be exalted. We let conflicts prevail over grace and divisions over harmony. Have mercy upon us, we pray. Forgive and transform us, that we may be holy and acceptable to you, discerning and doing your will. Through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

Kyrie Eleison 572

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: The steadfast love of the Lord never ends. When we call out to God, God answers. God saves us with a strong and outstretched hand. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Passing of the Peace

Leader: As we are forgiven and reconciled to God through Christ Jesus, let us be reconciled to one another. The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

* Gloria Patri 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.**

*At this time, children through 4th grade are invited to attend Sunday School. Teachers are stationed at the main doors of the sanctuary and will walk the children to the children's classrooms in the Narthex.
Parents/Guardians may pick up their children after the service in the classroom.*

Scripture Readings Psalm 107:17-22, Matthew 16:21-23

Message **"I'm Fixed Upon It"** Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Hymn #81 "Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days"

Cantata "Requiem" by G. Faure Highland Chancel Choir

Responding to God's Word

Prayers of Thanksgiving, Lord's Prayer Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne

**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.**

Invitation to the Offering Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne
Wooden offering boxes are located in the narthex

Going in God's Name

* Closing Hymn #101 (verse 4) "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

* Charge and Benediction Rev. Allison Beaulieu

*Congregational Response
**Come, thou Fount of every blessing;
 tune my heart to sing thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
 call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
 sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,
 mount of God's unchanging love!**

Organ Postlude

*PLEASE STAND IN BODY OR SPIRIT

**MUSIC: DR. PAUL THORLAKSON, DIRECTOR OF MUSIC
 JONATHAN LEFEVER, ORGANIST
A/V: MARK ANDERSON & JERRY ROTHACKER**

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A description of the stained Chancel window can be found in the front of the hymnal.

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