



Where Your Treasure Is...A Journey Towards God

Worship Bulletin
9 AM Service of Community and Sacrament
10:30 AM Service of Worship

9:00 A.M.

SERVICE OF COMMUNITY AND SACRAMENT

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sexual orientations and gender identity.*

**SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT
February 28, 2010**

Let us now enter into the Holy One's presence.

GATHERING MUSIC
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As the Deer Pants for Water

Martin Nystrom

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Open your hearts to God's love today.

In the midst of winter darkness, we seek the brightness of God's love.

Don't be afraid. God is with you.

With the Lord's help, we can overcome the darkness.

The Lord is your light and your salvation.

Even though everything around us is disturbing, yet God's love is constant.

Together we worship God!

HYMN OF PRAISE #212

O Jesus Christ, May Grateful Hymns

CHARTERHOUSE

A TIME FOR CENTERING

Silence...

READINGS

Traditional Reading: Psalm 27 and Luke 13:31-35

Contemporary: "The Paradoxical Commandments" by Kent M. Keith
(also known as "Anyway", *on the wall of Shishu Bhavan,
Mother Teresa's children's home in Calcutta*)

Bill Prindle

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

NOURISHED BY THE WORD

Despite threats and opposition, what is God calling us to?

What motto or refrain does God speak to you when you seek courage to live your call?

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Holy God, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

PRAYER OF BLESSING

**Holy God, pour your Spirit upon this bread and fruit of the vine. As we partake, bless us.
Open our eyes. Hold us together in the invisible communion of your spirit. Amen.**

THE SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

BENEDICTION

Our worship has ended, our service now begins.
Gathered with God, we go in peace.

***HYMN OF GOING FORTH #243**

Great Is Your Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

As the Deer Pants for Water

Flowing
D A/C# Bm Bm/A G Asus A D

p

1. As the deer pants for the wa - ter, so my soul longs af - ter you;
2. I want you more than gold or sil - ver, on - ly you can sat - is - fy;
3. You're my friend and you are my broth - er, e - ven though you are a king;

A/C# Bm D/A D/F# Em7 A7sus A7 D

you a - lone are my heart's de - sire and I long to wor - ship you.
you a - lone are the real joy - giv - er and the ap - ple of my eye.
I love you more than an - y oth - er, so much more than an - y - thing!

Bm Bm/A G D/F# G Bm/F# *rit.* Em F#sus F#

f

You a - lone are my strength, my shield, to you a - lone may my spir - it yield;

a tempo
D A/C# Bm D/A D/F# Em7 A7sus A7 D

mp

you a - lone are my heart's de - sire, and I long to wor - ship you!

WORDS and MUSIC: Martin Nystrom

† This song may be used in conjunction with a prayer asking for God's presence in worship. The first verse may be used in conjunction with a reading from Psalm 42.

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *O World, I E'en Must Leave Thee* Karg-Elert

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Voice 1: Put away your hesitation to come before God;
Voice 2: Quiet your fears and worries, for God welcomes us here.
Left side: We come seeking inspiration and assurance.
Right side: We come knowing God's presence is everywhere.
Voice 1: God is the stronghold for our lives;
Voice 2: God gathers us under a wing and there we find hope.
Left side: God calls us by name to come and worship.
Right side: Our hearts take courage as we journey with God.

***HYMN OF PRAISE #212** *O Jesus Christ, May Grateful Hymns* CHARTERHOUSE

PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Embracing God, your goodness is all around us helping us remember who we are. Gathered in this place, we recognize ourselves and brothers and sisters. Remain with us as we worship. Help us follow your lead. May your truth inspire us, your word instruct us, your joy dance with us, and your love enfold us every step of the way. Inspire us to be your people everywhere. We pray as Jesus taught saying, **Holy God, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

TIME WITH CHILDREN Kristen Curlee

CALL TO CONFESSION Rev. Amy Lewis

PRAYERS OF PERSONAL AND CORPORATE CONFESSION

A time of silent reflection...

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

Though fear should beset us; though danger cause us to close up our doors; though troubles assail and lead us away from the ways of grace; only one thing is necessary: just turn back to God's promise of grace.

Remember that God is reaching out with loving arms, and let yourself be held. Only ask forgiveness and it is ours; know that in this moment we have asked and in Christ Jesus, we are forgiven. **Thanks be to God! Amen.**

SINGING THE PSALM #637

Psalm 27

Congregation sings each response on cue from leader.

SCRIPTURE Luke 13:31-35

Brian Frye

SERMON*An Open Embrace*

Rev. Susan A. Henderson

CALL TO PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us pray,

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Amy Lewis

PRAYER RESPONSE # 546, verse 1

MARTYN

Jesus, Lover of My Soul

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING**OFFERTORY***Go Down, Moses*

Michael Tippett

From "A Child of Our Time"

The Chancel Choir; Patricia O'Connor and Mike Weber, solo

***DOXOLOGY**

sung to the tune: OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God for all that love has done;

Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Holy God, we cover this offering with gratitude for the ways we experience your care for the beauty of creation, the warmth of this shelter, and the friendship of loved ones. May our offering of time and resources help to extend the shelter of your loving way in the world. Amen.

***HYMN OF GOING FORTH # 423**

FAITHFULNESS

Great Is Your Faithfulness

BENEDICTION

From the North and South we have gathered.

From the east and west we have come.

**Renewed by this time of worship, we venture into the world,
enfolded always in the presence of God. Amen.**

POSTLUDE

Sortie

Felix Guilmant

The quilted map on the front cover includes squares
from the Underground Railroad Sample Quilt.

Clockwise from the upper left corner:

Jacobs Ladder – guides people North to freedom.

Carpenter’s Wheel – symbolizes that Jesus Christ with you on the journey.

Flying Geese – follow the geese migrating North.

Bear Tracks – follow the bear’s tracks to find food along the way.

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Flowers

The flowers for today’s service are being given by Sonia Lawson
in honor of her 96 year old grandmother, Estelle Bell.

Large Print Bulletins are available.
Please make your needs known to an usher.

Children’s Worship Activity Bulletins and pew packets of crayons are available each Sunday in a basket located by the doors to the sanctuary. Please return the crayons to the basket at the end of the service.

Assistive Listening Devices are available for people needing hearing assistance during worship. Ask an usher for one.

Offering Envelopes are available in the Entrance Hall or in the pew racks.

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR MARCH 7

Isaiah 55:1-9

Psalm 63:1-8

1 Corinthians 10:1-13

Luke 13:1-9

What is Happening With Christian Education Today?

During the 9:00 service

Adult Education *Contemporary Theology* – Conference Room
 Childcare for infants through two-year olds in the nursery - Room 106

During the 10:30 service

Childcare for infants in the Nursery - Room 106
 Childcare for toddler/two year olds - Room 003
 Lambs (3 and 4 year olds and pre-kindergarten 5 year olds) - Room 006
 Kindergarten – Room 107
 First Grade – Room 208
 Second and Third Grade – Room 009
 Fourth and Fifth Grade – Room 207
 Middle School – Room 206

Evening Youth Program

5:30 Dinner – Social Hall
 6:30 Worship Service – Sanctuary
 7:00 Middle School (7th – 8th Grade) – Room 206
 Covenant Class – Conference Room
 Senior High (10th – 12th Grade) – Room 207

CCC Calendar for the Week

Sunday, February 28

- 9:00 AM Service of Community and Sacrament - Sanctuary
- 9:00 AM Adult Education – *Contemporary Theology* – Conference Room
- 10:30 AM Service of Worship – Sanctuary
- 11:45 AM Chapel Choir – Choir Room
- 11:45 AM Lenten Series – *Faithfully Facing Dying* – Conference Room
Palliative Care, Suffering, and Pain Control
- 5:30 PM Youth Dinner – Social Hall
- 6:30 PM Youth Worship – Sanctuary
- 7:00 PM 6th, 7th and 8th Grade Youth Group – Room 206
- 7:00 PM 10th, 11th and 12th Grade Youth Group – Room 207
- 7:00 PM Covenant Class – Conference Room

Monday, March 1

- 12:00 PM Staff Meeting – Room 107
- 7:30 PM Executive Council – Conference Room
- 7:30 PM Scrapbooking Small Group – Room 208

Tuesday, March 2

- 9:30 AM Senior Adults Water Color Painting – Social Hall
- 1:00 PM Senior Adults Brown Bag Lunch – Room 107
- 2:00 PM Senior Adults Movie – Meeting Room
- 5:00 PM Riderwood Residents Diner – Riderwood

Wednesday, March 3

- 12:00 PM *Days of Simplicity* Concert – Sanctuary
Lynne Joseloff, flute
- 12:45 PM *Days of Simplicity* Luncheon – Conference Room

Thursday, March 4

- 7:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal – Choir Room

Friday, March 5

- 7:00 PM Art Show Reception – James Auerbach – Tate Gallery and Lobby

Saturday, March 6

- 8:30 AM Saturday Stitchers – Room 208
- 5:00 PM Potluck Dinner – Families with Young Children – Social Hall
- 7:00 PM Eastern High School Chorale Concert – Sanctuary

Sunday, March 7

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9:00 AM	Adult Education – <i>Contemporary Theology</i> – Conference Room
10:30 AM	Service of Worship – Sanctuary
11:45 AM	Chapel Choir – Choir Room
11:45 AM	Lenten Series – <i>Faithfully Facing Dying</i> – Conference Room Hospice Care
4:30 PM	Marriage Enrichment – Room 206
5:30 PM	Youth Dinner – Social Hall
6:30 PM	Youth Worship – Sanctuary
7:00 PM	6 th , 7 th and 8 th Grade Youth Group – Room 206
7:00 PM	10 th , 11 th and 12 th Grade Youth Group – Room 207
7:00 PM	Covenant Class – Conference Room

Monday, March 8

9:45 AM	Life Review I – Room 206
9:45 AM	Life Review VI – Room 207
11:45 AM	Senior Adult Committee – Room 208
12:00 PM	Staff Meeting – Room 107

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*You are welcome to join the electronic **prayer chain** by contacting the church office.*

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