

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

4th Sunday of Lent

March 11, 2018

9:45 A.M.

PRELUDE

I Call To Thee, Lord Jesus Christ

Bach

WELCOME *(Please sign and pass the Friendship Pad in your pew.)*

CHORAL INTROIT

Praise God
Christopher Palmer, piano

Palmer

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 107)

Leader: O give thanks to the LORD, for God is good; His steadfast love endures forever.

People: Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, those God redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands.

Leader: Let them thank the LORD for His steadfast love; for His wonderful works to humankind.

People: For He satisfies the thirsty, and the hungry He fills with good things.

Leader: Let us remember His sacrifice for us, and tell of His deeds with songs of joy.

People: Let us worship the Lord our God!

HYMN #223

When I Survey The Wondrous Cross

(please stand if able)

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Compassionate God, You have loved us with unfailing, self-giving mercy, but we have not loved You. You constantly call us, but we do not listen. You ask us to love, but we walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped in our own concerns. We condone evil, prejudice, warfare and greed. God of grace, as You come to us in mercy, we repent of our ways, admit our sin, and are grateful for the forgiveness You promise us. Hear us now in the silence as we lift our personal confessions to You.....*(time for us to offer silent prayers of confession).*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

HYMN #447

We Are Forgiven

(please stand if able)

We are forgiven. We are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God. We are forgiven. We are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

APOSTLES' CREED

(please stand if able)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THOUGHT FOR CHILDREN

CONGREGATIONAL GREETING – “The Peace of Christ”

SPECIAL MUSIC *Musica Dei*, Leavitt

Musica Dei, donum optimi trahit homines, mollit animos.

Music, gift of God, attracts men, calms souls.

MINUTE FOR MISSION

D. C. Trip

Dennis Roberts

CALL TO PRAYER *I Want Jesus to Walk With Me*

The musical score is written on three staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: "I want Je - sus to walk with me; I want Je - sus to walk with me; all a - long my pil - grim jour - ney, Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me." The score includes a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is simple and repetitive, with a final cadence at the end of the third line.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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.

OFFERTORY*Sanctus*

McPheeters

*Sanctus, Sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth.
Plenisunt caeliet terra, gloria, gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.*

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts!
Heaven and earth are filled with Your glory.
Glory to God in the highest!

DOXOLOGY *(please stand if able)*

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

UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION*(from PCUSA Mission Yearbook)*

Gracious God, You are right beside us. Help us to see both the opportunities we have to be present
with others and to be grateful for those who are present with us. Use these gifts to make Your
presence known throughout the world, in Jesus' name, Amen. *(please be seated)*

SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 3: 16-17

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Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON*"Love.....On the House"*

Don Lincoln

HYMN #216*Beneath the Cross of Jesus**(please stand if able)***BENEDICTION****POSTLUDE***If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee*

Bach