

5th Sunday of Lent
April 3, 2022 Worship Bulletin

Gathering for God's Word

Prelude

*Introit

“Hosanna”

Praise is rising, eyes are turning to You, we turn to You
Hope is stirring, hearts are yearning for You, we long for You
'Cause when we see You, we find strength to face the day
In Your Presence all our fears are washed away, washed away

Hosanna, hosanna

You are the God Who saves us, worthy of all our praises

Hosanna, hosanna

Come have Your way among us

We welcome You here, Lord Jesus

Hear the sound of hearts returning to You, we turn to You
In Your Kingdom broken lives are made new, You make us new
'Cause when we see You, we find strength to face the day
In Your Presence all our fears are washed away, washed away

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Welcome & Announcements

Time of Silence & Ringing of the Bell

Preparing for God's Word

*Call to Worship

[Based on Psalm 34: 1-4, 8]

Leader: I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

People: My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad.

Leader: O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together.

People: I sought the Lord, and he answered me, and delivered me from all my fears.

Leader: O taste and see that the Lord is good;

People: Happy are those who take refuge in him.

*Hymn of Praise

#35, “Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty”

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near;
Join me in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been
Granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, oh, let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him;
Let the Amen sound from His people again,
Gladly for aye we adore Him.

Text: Joachim Neander, 1680; trans Catherine Winkworth, 1863, alt
Music: Stralsund Ermewerten Gesangbuch, 1665: harmony. The Chorale Book for England, 1863
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Prayer of Confession

[time of silent personal confession]

Leader: Let us continue in prayer.

All: Eternal God, whose covenant with us is never broken: We confess that we often fail to fulfill your will for us. We have betrayed neighbors, deserted friends, and run in fear when we should be loyal. Though you have bound yourself to us, we do not remain bound to you. God, have mercy on us weak and willful people. Lead us once again today to your table, and unite us to Christ, who is the bread of life and the vine from which we grow in grace. To Christ be praise forever. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

[based on Acts 13: 38; Ephesians 1:7]

Leader: Hear the Good News. Through Jesus Christ forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to us.

People: In Christ we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace.

Leader: Praise God

Hearing God's Word

Children's Message

Ages 12 and under gather up front as congregation sings, #188, "Jesus Loves Me."
After the Children's Message, the children may return to sit with their families.

Hymn of Preparation

#442, "Just As I am, Without One Plea," vs. 1, 2, 3

Just as I am, without one plea,
but that thy blood was shed for me,
and that thou bidd'st me come to thee,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, though tossed about
with many a conflict, many a doubt,
fightings and fears within, without,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, thou wilt receive,
wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
because thy promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Text: Charlotte Elliott, 1834, alt

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Prayer of Illumination

New Testament Reading: Luke 13:1-9

13:1 Now there were some present at that time who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mixed with their sacrifices. 2 Jesus answered, "Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans because they suffered this way? 3 I tell you, no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish. 4 Or those eighteen who died when the tower in Siloam fell on them — do you think they were more guilty than all the others living in Jerusalem? 5 I tell you, no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish."

6 Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree, planted in his vineyard, and he went to look for fruit on it, but did not find any. 7 So he said to the man who took care of the vineyard, 'For three years now I've been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and haven't found any. Cut it down! Why should it use up the soil?'

8 "'Sir, 'the man replied, 'leave it alone for one more year, and I'll dig around it and fertilize it. 9 If it bears fruit next year, fine! If not, then cut it down.'"

Sermon

"Flashes of God's Glory... Stinky Fertilizer"

Responding to God's Word

Celebration of Lord's Supper

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right for us to give thanks and praise.

(various prayers)

Choral Anthem:

"Behold the Lamb," Union Choir

Words of Institution

Prayer for the Spirit

Partaking of the Elements

Prayer of the People

(various prayers)

Leader: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God Almighty, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

People: Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

The Lord's Prayer

All: 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. 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.

Offering

Offertory

*Response

#606, "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn of Response

#418, "Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling," vs. 1, 2

Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling,
calling for you and for me;
see, on the portals he's waiting and watching,
watching for you and for me.

Refrain:

Come home, come home;
you who are weary come home;
earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling,
calling, O sinner, come home!

Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading,
pleading for you and for me?
Why should we linger and heed not his mercies,
mercies for you and for me?

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*Benediction

*Benediction Response

#175, "Seek Ye First," vs. 1, 3

Seek ye first the Kingdom of God
And His righteousness
And all these things shall be added unto you
Allelu Alleluia

You shall not live by bread alone,
But by every word
That proceeds out from the mouth of God.
Allelu Alleluia

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*Postlude

*Please Stand if Able