

MORNING WORSHIP

March 10, 2019

Half past Ten O'Clock

First Sunday in Lent

*When the organ begins, please prepare for worship through silent prayer and meditation.
Following the service, greet one another with joy and affection!*

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

TIME OF MEDITATION AND REFLECTION

+WELCOME AND NOTICES

PRELUDE

My Song is Love Unknown

arr. Michael Burkhardt

CHORAL INTROIT

"O Worship The King"

arr. Bob Burroughs

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Hebrews 4:14-16

Leader: Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens,
Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession.

**Congregation: For we have not a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses,
but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sinning.**

**All: Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace,
that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.**

+*HYMN 85

"What Wondrous Love Is This"

(WONDRIOUS LOVE)

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*LITANY OF CONFESSION

adapted from Kenneth Phifer

Leader: Good Lord, deliver us from slavery to schedules, lists and deadlines; from the
tyranny of the phones and the rule of watches; from the pharaohs of
franticness and fragmentation; from bondage to busyness and bondage to all
things that simply must be done before we stop to think or feel or care.

Congregation: Good Lord, deliver us and make us free to be human.

Leader: From that which keeps us willing to remain enslaved, afraid to venture out with
love into Your suffering world - the insulation that shuts out the painful sights and
sounds of desperate human need, our worship of a mediocre yet comfortable
way of life, our uncertainty about the power of Your spirit, and our terror before
the shadowy, violent powers that seem to be in charge of things; our fear of
failing, hurting, dying. From these and from the countless arguments we use to
rationalize our staying safe in our timidity-

**Congregation: Good Lord, deliver us, and make us free to lose and find ourselves in caring
as You do for the redemption of the whole wide world. Amen.**

(Silent Prayers of Confession)

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

John 3:16-17

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.

Congregation: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

A MESSAGE FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Kim Lee

Immediately following Message for Young Disciples, kindergarteners and first graders are invited to Children's Worship. They will return to the Sanctuary during the Doxology.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 4:1-13, pew Bible p. 936

SERMON

"Tempted As We Are, Yet Without Sinning"

Rush Otey

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND CALL TO OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"Festal Dance"

by Timothy Waugh

*DOXOLOGY (*Hymn 592*)

OLD HUNDREDTH

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (UNISON)

God, our Father, we believe that Your Church is Your people, and that we are called to bring to the world knowledge of Your greatness, Your mercy, and Your love. We praise and thank You for the beauty of Your creation; for the richness and variety of the world in which we are set; for the lives and minds of other people; and for the truths You show to us in worship, in the reading and preaching of Your Word, and in the church's celebration of the sacraments. Especially we thank You now for the human gifts which have gone into the making of this church; for the vision to plan; the skill to design; the ability to build; and then generosity to provide. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

*HYMN 86

"When We Are Tempted to Deny Your Son"

(PSALM 22)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, CONCLUDING WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING OF THE LOAF AND THE CUP

*(Gluten free bread is available in sealed packets on the Communion tray.
Please hold the elements until all are served so that we may commune in unison.)*

COMMUNION MUSIC

"At the Cross"

arr. Cynthia Dobrinski

UNISON PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Almighty and everlasting God, we most heartily thank You, that in Your great love, You have fed us at Your table with this spiritual food and have assured us of Your goodness toward us; and that we are members of the mystical Body of Your Son, the blessed company of all faithful people, and heirs of Your everlasting kingdom. And we pray that You assist us with Your grace so that we may continue in this holy fellowship and live always to Your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns and is worshiped and glorified with You, O Father and the Holy Spirit, world without end. Amen.

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN 540

"God Be with You Till We Meet Again"

(RANDOLPH)

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Jesus, Priceless Treasure

J. S. Bach

*Those who are able, please stand.

+Ushers may seat late worshipers

SELWYN AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WARMLY WELCOMES ALL WHO VISIT

Please take a moment to sign the registry of friendship as it is passed along your pew so that you may be greeted and greet others by name. If you are actively searching for a new church home, we invite you to fill out the card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate.

Membership is by one of three paths: 1) profession of faith in Jesus Christ (for those who have never been part of a Christian church); 2) re-affirmation of faith (for those who formerly were part of a congregation but have not been involved in recent times - for example, you were baptized and/or confirmed but moved and never engaged with a new congregation); or 3) transfer of membership from another congregation (your membership is with another church).

New members and prospective members are invited to participate in Orientation Classes, which are scheduled several times a year, and are a wonderful way to meet others and learn about our church and all the opportunities here. We always stand ready to be in communication with you about your particular situation. The contact information for all staff members is in the bulletin each week.

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