



Lakeside Presbyterian Church

Third Sunday of Lent

March 20, 2022

11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE

O Welt, ich muß dich lassen

Johannes Brahms

WELCOME & NEWS OF THE CHURCH

OPENING MEDITATION

Through Lent we will begin our time of worship with two minutes of silence. Bells will lead us into and out of this time of centering and meditation. We invite you to notice what you need to let go of and to ask for God's help cultivating and letting go.

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

In this hour we will pray,
Because we long to draw near to God.
In this hour we will sing,
Because words are hardly ever enough.
In this hour we will pray for one another,
As a reminder that we belong together.
And in this hour, we will cultivate faith—together.
So let us worship with open hearts.
Let us worship Holy God.

***HYMN #435**

There's A Wideness in God's Mercy

IN BABILONE

***PRAYER OF ADORATION**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of grace—

You ask us to care for the poor and the hungry, but that makes us uncomfortable.

You ask us to care for the environment, but that requires sacrifice.

You ask us to love our neighbor as ourselves, but that requires vulnerability.

Instead, we hide our hands, avert our eyes, and choose ourselves.

Forgive us for holding tight to our own agendas and letting go of your call to love.

Cultivate in us more faithful spirits—hearts that are strong enough to choose one another and minds smart enough to make the sacrifice. Forever grateful we pray, Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

***PASSING THE PEACE**

The Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

***SUNG RESPONSE**

We Are Forgiven

Hymn #447

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

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

The Rev. Dr. Louisa W. Umphres

(Please note that children who come forward may be visible to our online audiences.)

OFFERING INVITATION

OFFERTORY

Sicut cervus

Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina

Like as the hart desireth the water-brooks: so longeth my soul after thee, O God.

*SUNG RESPONSE

Hymn #14 v.5

**For thyself, best gift divine to the world so freely given;
for the great, great love of thine, peace on earth and joy in heaven:
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

RESPONSIVE PSALM READING

Psalm 63:1-8

(O.T. p.527)

Tom Clark, *reader*

Daniel Richardson and Angel Napieralski



My soul thirsts for God, the liv - ing God. My soul thirsts for God, the liv - ing God.

GOSPEL READING

Luke 13:1-9

(N.T. p.76)

For the Word of God in scripture,
For the Word of God among us,
For the Word of God within us.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON

The Rev. Nancy Ross-Zimmerman

REFLECTION

Light Dawns on a Weary World

ANTHEM

To Dust

Karen Marrolli

*Let my crying come to dust. Let my grief be turned to ashes.
Let my heart be cleansed with flame. Kyrie eleison.
Let my mourning turn to song. Let my sorrow turn to sunrise.
Let my broken spirit rest. Kyrie eleison.
Let your healing waters rise. Let your deserts bloom with bounty.
Let you Holy Spirit come. Christe eleison.
Let our crying come to dust. Let our grief be turned to ashes.
Let our hearts be cleansed with flame. Kyrie eleison.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

AMEN

Hymn #599

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, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

*HYMN #79

Light Dawns on a Weary World

TEMPLE OF PEACE

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Go forth into God's world in peace. Be of good courage.
Hold fast to what is good. Return to no one evil for evil.
Strengthen the fainthearted, support the weak, help the afflicted, honor all people.
Love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

*OUR BLESSING TO EACH OTHER

AR HYD Y NOS

**May the Lord, our gracious Father, bless you this day;
Give you peace and hope and courage, along your way.
May you stay within God's keeping, in your waking, in your sleeping.
In your joy and in your weeping: God be with you.**

POSTLUDE

Herzlich tut mich erfreuen

Johannes Brahms

**Those who are able, please stand*

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News

435 There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

1 There's a wide - ness in God's mer - cy, like the wide - ness
 2 For the love of God is broad - er than the mea - sures

of the sea. There's a kind - ness in God's jus - tice,
 of the mind. And the heart of the E - ter - nal

which is more than lib - er - ty. There is no place where earth's
 is most won - der - ful - ly kind. If our love were but more

sor - rows are more felt than up in heaven. There is no place
 faith - ful, we would glad - ly trust God's Word, and our lives re -

where earth's fail - ings have such kind - ly judg - ment given.
 flect thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of our Lord.

These stanzas, excerpted from quite a few more, offer a reminder that the model for our dealings with others should be God's generosity rather than limited human tolerance. The text is effectively set to a broad and sturdy Dutch folk melody, probably from the 17th century.

FORGIVENESS

447

We Are Forgiven

We are for - giv - en. We are for - giv - en. Thanks be to
 God. Thanks be to God. We are for - giv - en.
 We are for - giv - en. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

To sing, rather than simply say, a response to the Declaration of Forgiveness has the effect of making the moment both more affirmative and more corporate. The musical repetition of the two sentences also strengthens awareness of what it means to be assured of God's pardon.

TEXT: Trad, liturgical text
 MUSIC: Hal H. Hopson, 1995
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WE ARE FORGIVEN
 10.8.10.8



Psalm 63:1-8

(REFRAIN)

¹O God, you are my God, I seek you, my soul thirsts for you;
my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no
water.

²**So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power
and glory.**

³Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you.

⁴**So I will bless you as long as I live;
I will lift up my hands and call on your name. *(REFRAIN)***

⁵My soul is satisfied as with a rich feast,
and my mouth praises you with joyful lips.

⁶**when I think of you on my bed,
and meditate on you in the watches of the night;**

⁷for you have been my help, and in the shadow of your wings I sing for joy.

⁸**My soul clings to you; your right hand upholds me. *(REFRAIN)***

79 Light Dawns on a Weary World



1 Light dawns on a wea - ry world when eyes be - gin to
 2 Love grows in a wea - ry world when hun - gry hearts find
 3 Hope blooms in a wea - ry world when crea - tures, once for -



see all peo - ple's dig - ni - ty. Light dawns on a
 bread and chil - dren's dreams are fed. Love grows in a
 lorn, find wil - der - ness re - born. Hope blooms in a



wea - ry world: the prom - ised day of jus - tice comes.
 wea - ry world: the prom - ised feast of plen - ty comes.
 wea - ry world: the prom - ised green of E - den comes.



The trees shall clap their hands; the dry lands, gush with springs;



the hills and moun - tains shall break forth with sing - ing!



We shall go out in joy, and be led forth in peace,



as all the world in won - der ech - oes sha - lom.

This is a hymn whose tune came first. Upon hearing it, the author recalled the watered garden of Isaiah 58:11, which in turn led to Isaiah 55:12, paraphrased in the refrain. Then came the stanzas, organized around their first two words: Light dawns, Love grows, Hope blooms.