Gathering around the Word

Prelude : Iste Confessor Marcel Dupré

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Invocation

*Hymn 166 "Lord, Who throughout These Forty Days"

Litany of Confession

Leader: Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world. God of grace,

People: forgive us.

Leader: Even as Christ is among us as our peace, we are a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world. God of grace,

People: forgive us.

Leader: The profit and pleasures we pursue lay waste the land and pollute the seas.

The fears and jealousies that we harbor set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation. God of grace,

People: forgive us.

Leader: We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom, of intellect and reason, and have turned them into bonds of oppression. God of grace,

People: forgive us.

Leader: Speak to us in the silence, O Lord, that we might be set free to serve you in the world as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ . . . (Please hold silence.)

*Stand as you are able.

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Extinguishing the Second Lenten Candle

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.

Declaration of Pardon

Leader: Friends, believe the good news:

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*Exchange of Peace

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

We invite you to greet those around you, wishing them "peace" or "the peace of Christ."

Concerns of the Church

Anthem " "Hide Not Thou Thy Face from Us, O Lord" Richard Farrant

Hide not thou thy face from us, O Lord, and cast not off thy servant in thy displeasure;

for we confess our sins unto thee and hide not our unrighteousness.

For thy mercy's sake deliver us from all our sins.

Listening for the Word

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson : Luke 10:38–42 New Testament, page 67

Psalter Psalm 121



Je-sus, re-mem-ber me when you come in - to your king-dom.

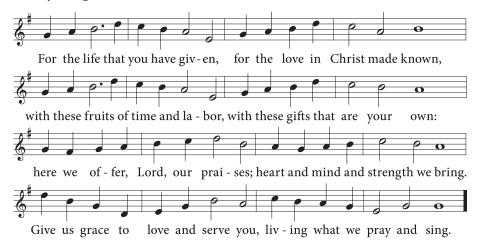


Je-sus, re-mem-ber me when you come in - to your king-dom.

*Acclamation (sung)..... The Hymnal, 581 Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen. Second Lesson : Luke 7:36–50 New Testament, page 62 Lenten Sermon Series: Questions Jesus Asked "Do You See This Woman?" Matt Helms Responding to the Word Silent Reflection Throughout the season of Lent we are practicing silence as a way to grow closer to God and one another. 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. Minute for Mission Offering Offertory Voluntary : O Bread of Life from Heaven Johannes Brahms

[†]Or "to the Creator, and to the Christ, and to the Holy Ghost."

*Offertory Response



Sealing the Word

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

Great 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 to give our thanks and praise.

Prayer

Leader: It is truly right and our greatest joy forever singing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Bearing the World into the World

FOR COMMUNION, the congregation comes forward by the center aisle to receive the bread, and take a compostable cup of grape juice. (Gluten-free bread is available in a small tumbler in each basket of bread.)

Worshipers return to their pews by the side aisles.

The invitation to the Lord's Supper is not just for Presbyterians or "members of the church." Even one who doubts or whose trust is wavering may receive the bread and grape juice (in place of wine) in order to be assured of God's love and grace in Jesus Christ.

Worship Leaders

Lucy Forster-Smith, Connie Logelin, Matt Helms

The Music Today

Chancel Choir

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist; Laura Bottei, Organ Scholar

Worship Notes

Today's Minute for Mission is presented by Alex Cornwell, Executive Programs Director for Chicago Lights, on behalf of the One Great Hour of Sharing offering. This offering, which we are receiving throughout Lent, supports Chicago Lights Tutoring and Social Service Center as well as Fourth Church Meals and Shower Ministries and the work of Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Hunger, and Self-Development of People Programs. To make a One Great Hour of Sharing gift, use the envelopes in the pew racks or write "Lenten Offering" on the memo line of a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church. Gifts can also be made online at www.fourthchurch.org/give-online

EACH SUNDAY DURING LENT we are extinguishing a candle at the front of the Sanctuary. Just as we lit candles on the Advent wreath to symbolize the light coming into the world through the birth of Christ, so now our extinguishing of candles points to the Lenten progression from light to the shadows of Good Friday and the crucifixion.

DURING COMMUNION WE WILL BE USING INDIVIDUAL COMPOSTABLE CUPS for the grape juice, rather than communing by intinction. The use of cups is one way that we can help prevent the spread of respiratory diseases like flu and coronavirus. For the same reason, we encourage you to share words of greeting without shaking hands at the Passing of the Peace or when welcoming one another.

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