



March 27, 2022

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

REFLECTION

“One would expect people to remember the past and to imagine the future. But in fact, when discoursing or writing, they imagine it in terms of their own experience, and when trying to gauge the future they cite supposed analogies from the past: till, by a double process of repetition, they imagine the past and remember the future.”

~ Lewis Namier

PRELUDE

A Celtic Set for Lent

Thomas Keesecker

WORDS OF WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

In God we find our meaning and mission;

We put our hope and trust in God.

God hears our prayers; God knows our hopes;

God is faithful, just, and true.

In times of doubt and questioning,

God has given us one another for strength and courage.

Come, worship God in the presence of one another;

For God has bound us together in love, as the body of Christ.

**HYMN No. 53

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

CWM RHONDA

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah,
Pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak, but thou art might.
Hold me with thy powerful hand.
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,
Feed me till I want no more;
Feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain,
Whence the healing stream doth flow.
Let the fire and cloudy pillar
Lead me all the journey through.
Strong deliverer, strong deliverer,
Be thou still my strength and shield;
Be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside.
Death of death, and hell's destruction,
Land me safe on Canaan's side.
Songs of praises, songs of praises
I will ever give to thee;
I will ever give to thee.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(In Unison)*

Loving-Spirit, we confess that we have put our trust in worldly idols of routine and comfort. We confess that we have sought familiar measures of success in fortune and planning. We confess that the systems of power in this world have made us complacent with the status quo. Forgive us for not expanding our vision to see what You see. So, let this be our prayer...

****HYMN No. 698**

Take, O Take Me as I Am

TAKE ME AS I AM

Take, O take me as I am; summon out what I shall be;
Set your seal upon my heart and live in me.

Silent Confession

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

The good news is that, in our God, we find that safe place for our lives. In Christ's forgiveness, we are offered the healing we need.

In that acceptance, we discover the love in which we may abide in every moment of our lives. Thanks be to God! Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Children in kindergarten – 7th grade may exit the sanctuary for Sunday School

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Neighbor Brigade/Mission Committee

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Exodus 13:17-22

SPECIAL MUSIC

I Will Give Thanks

Douglas E. Wagner

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

1 Corinthians 13:8-13

SERMON

What do you pack for an Exodus

Rev. William Schram

SPECIAL MUSIC

His Eye is on the Sparrow

arr. Jack Schrader

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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

****HYMN**

How God, Who Calls Us Each by Name

GOD WEEPS

How God, who calls us each by name
And loves us, friend and foe the same,
Must weep with sorrow at the sight
Of soldiers fighting in the night.

Our hearts are heavy too with grief,
At violence beyond belief.
We mourn each tragic loss of life,
Each wounded victim in the strife.

With all our being we deplore
That nations must resort to war,
That good intentions cannot find
Another way, common mind.

May God release love's might power
To save us in this dreadful hour
From bitter hatred and ill will,
Divisions that divide us still.

Let vengeance be of no avail,
And peace with justice soon prevail
That all may live as God intends,
No longer foes, forever friends.

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****BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

O Day of Peace

arr. Charles Callahan

*****Those who are able may stand***

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Rev. William Schram

Rev. Barbara Piercy

Susan Jones & Noel Piercy

Paul Salierno, Soloist & Cantor

Madison Goodson, Soloist & Jessica Goodson, Piano

Chancel Choir

Ray Liptak & Rob Thiemann, AV Engineers



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