



GRACE COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Service of Worship

Second Sunday in Lent

March 17, 2019

11:05am

Gathering All People in a Caring Christian Community

PRELUDE "My Jesus, I Love Thee" arr. Adoniram J. Gordon
Linda Dover, organist

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS
(Please sign and pass the Grace Greetings books at this time.)

*CALL TO WORSHIP
One: God is my light, my hope, my all in all: whom shall I fear?
ALL: God is the stronghold of my life: of whom shall I be afraid?
One: One thing I asked of God: let me live in the shelter of you,
in the beauty of your realm, in the wonder of your house.
ALL: We seek your face, God! Do not turn aside!
One: Teach us your way, God, show us your path through all that life
brings.
ALL: We shall see the blessing of God: come, Holy Spirit!

*HYMN 49 "The God of Abraham Praise" LEONI

COME AS A CHILD
*(Afterwards, children ages 4 through 1st grade may go to Awakening to Worship, our
child-friendly worship service. Greeters will meet the children at the back of the
sanctuary and go to Room 12 downstairs where parents may pick up children when
worship is over.)*

Sing 486, v. 4 "Child of Blessing, Child of Promise"
*Child of God, your loving Parent, learn to listen for God's call.
Grow to laugh and sing and worship, trust and love God more than all.*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(spoken together)*
**Jesus calls us to deny ourselves. Yet we trust in our own works
rather than in God's grace. Jesus calls each of us to take up our cross.
Yet rather than allow our selfishness and sin to be put to death,
we cling to what we know. Jesus calls us to follow him.
Yet we fear where faith will lead and what it might change in our
lives. In this moment of silence, we confess the sin that separates us
from one another and from God.**

SILENT PRAYER *(reflection & self-examination)*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (responsive)
One: People of God, hear this good news.
God's covenant with us is true.
ALL: God is faithful even when we fail.
One: Through the Holy Spirit,
God gives us the gift of faith and makes us righteous.
Believe in the good news
that you are set free to live as children of God.
ALL: Amen. Thanks be to God!

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST
One: May the peace of Christ be with you and everyone.
All: And also with you and all others!
(Let us greet one another with expressions of love.)

*HYMN 282 "Come Down, O Love Divine" DOWN AMPNEY

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND SILENT PRAYER

*Equipping People to Develop and Share a
Faith That Works in Real Life*

EPISTLE LESSON Philippians 3:17-4:1 Anne Stroud
(New Testament, Page 198)

SUNG PRAYER "All the Day Long" Music by K. Lee Scott
Chancel Choir – Terri Monrad, soloist based on Psalm 25:4-8
*Show me your ways; teach me your paths; guide me in truth; instruct my heart.
You are my God and Savior strong; for you my soul waits all the day long.
Remember, O LORD, your loving kindness and tender mercies, for they are ever of old.
Remember not the sins of my youth, nor my transgressions;
according to your mercy, LORD, remember me.*

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 13:31-35
(New Testament, Page 77)

Holy Wisdom, Holy Words.
Thanks be to God!

SERMON "To Be Avoided At ALL Costs!" Rev. Mitch Trigger

Sending People to Serve in the World

OFFERING OF GIFTS AND MUSIC Marcel Dupree
"Antiphon III" Opus 18, No. 3

*HYMN 258 "A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing" DEO GRACIAS

*CHARGE

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Fuga in G Minor" J.S. Bach
Linda Dover, organ

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