

Bulletin Information
March 27, 2022
4th Sunday in Lent

We Gather to Worship God

Prelude

Lighting the Candles and Ringing the Bell

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship:

One: O mortal, can these bones live?

All: Only the Lord knows.

One: O people, hope in the Lord.

All: With the Lord there is steadfast love and great power to redeem.

*Morning Prayer

*Hymn

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

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Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

O Lord, if you held our sin against us, who could live, who could stand? We seem to have more faith in death than hope in your promise of life. We seek peace through war and find security in weapons. We abandon the hungry, sick, and dying, and pursue wealth by making others poor.

And even so, you love us; still there is forgiveness with you! Therefore we worship you; for you alone, O Lord, can save us from death and redeem us from our sin...

(Pause for a few moments of silent reflection and personal confession.)

...in the name of Christ we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Words of Peace

*Congregational Response

Glory Be to the Father

PH #579

We Listen For God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

New Testament Lesson

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsive Psalm & Psalm Prayer

Psalm 32

One: Happy are those whose transgressions are forgiven, and whose sin is put away!

All: Happy are they to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, and in whose spirit there is no guile!

One: While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, because of my groaning all day long.

All: For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.

One: Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not conceal my guilt. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord." Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.

All: Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.

One: You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

All: "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; I will guide you with my eye.

One: Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you."

All: Great are the tribulations of the wicked; but mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord.

Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord; shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

One: Merciful God, day and night our sins are before us, and we can find no relief. We confess to you, O Lord, that we have strayed far from you and turned our backs on your love. Turn us again to you and lead us in the way of repentance, that, held in your mercy, we may always stay near you; through Jesus Christ, our savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Old Testament Lesson

Ezekiel 37:1-14

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Lesson

John 11:1-46

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Resurrection & Life

We Respond to God's Word

*Hymn

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

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Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed by 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.

Cross Reflection

Invitation to the Offering

Offering

*Congregational Response

Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

*Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed

**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.**

We Leave to Serve God

*Hymn

Ah, Holy Jesus

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*Charge and Benediction

*Congregational Response

Song of Hope

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Postlude

Sermon Text for next Sunday: John 12:1-11