

MESSAGE

Rev. Stephen Bibb

"The Affirmative Journey through Wilderness to Resurrection: #2 Our Citizenship"

THE PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Rev. Dr. Glen Robyne

Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus for the transformation of the world. This week we celebrate signs of spring: bluebirds investigating the bird houses on the church property, the first spring flowers emerging from the ground, and days of warmer weather. All are nature's reminders of resurrection and hope after a long and dark winter. Your generosity supports the upkeep of our church grounds and home, as well as the many ministries of our congregation. I invite you once again to give generously as we worship God through the sharing of our gifts, tithes, and offerings.

The Offertory Music

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

arr. by Cindy Berry

*The Presentation Music

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Hymn #94

*The Prayer of Dedication (Unison)

God of our salvation, you have claimed us as citizens of heaven; but we know that often our lives have looked no different from anyone else's, our minds too often locked on earthly things. May the gifts we bring to your altar this morning be symbolic of our desire to let go of all that doesn't reflect who we are and whose we are. May we be more faithful witnesses, knowing that we are on a journey to our homeland, an eternity with you. In the redeemer's name, we pray. Amen.

*HYMN OF BENEDICTION

"We Sing to You, O God"

The Faith We Sing #2001

*THE BENEDICTION

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THE POSTLUDE

"Toccata in Seven"

J. Rutter

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY: Liturgist: Denton Sederquist (8:30); Jo Moffat (11:00)
Organist/Pianist: Lisa Johnson Mott/Jorie Ronschke Audio Techs: Bob Nicholson, David Caddy,
Katie Wereley-Bross, John Davis, Jonathan Heinz PowerPoint: Stu Kline, Brian Martin & Bob
Nicholson Video Techs: Neil McTavish/Jonathan Heinz/Peyton O'Brien



March 17, 2019

8:30 & 11:00 AM

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP

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THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENT

As we seek to build up this congregation as the Body of Christ, we want to remind you that Lisa Johnson Mott and Gerald Welker will present a horn and piano recital in the CLC at 3pm today. The concert is free of charge. Next Sunday March 24th, the Purdue Musical Organization ensemble "Heart & Soul" will be singing in the 11:00 worship service. A free will love offering will be accepted next Sunday to support PMO.

PRELUDE AND LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

"Rêverie"

A. Glazunov

Gerald Welker, horn; Lisa Johnson Mott, piano

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

(based on Psalm 27)

Liturgist

(You are invited to stand if you are comfortable doing so.)

Leader: The Lord is my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

PEOPLE: THOUGH AN ARMY ENCAMP AGAINST ME, MY HEART SHALL NOT FEAR; THOUGH WAR RISE UP AGAINST ME, YET I WILL BE CONFIDENT.

Leader: One thing I asked of the Lord, that I would live in the house of the Lord forever; to behold the beauty of the Lord and inquire in the temple.

PEOPLE: FOR GOD WILL HIDE ME IN THE SHELTER OF GOD IN THE DAY OF TROUBLE; GOD WILL CONCEAL ME UNDER THE COVER OF GOD'S TENT.

Leader: I will offer sacrifices in God's tent with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the Lord!

PEOPLE: HEAR, O LORD, WHEN I CRY OUT, BE GRACIOUS TO ME AND ANSWER ME! "COME," MY HEART SAYS, "SEEK GOD'S FACE!" YOUR FACE, O LORD, DO I SEEK.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

Hymn #577

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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An appropriate response to the greeting "May the peace of Christ be with you" is, "And also with you."

THE EPISTLE LESSON

Philippians 3:17 - 4:1

Liturgist

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Dr. Glen Robyne

(11:00-Children age 2 through 4th grades may now leave from the service for Worship Express.)

OUR PRAYERS TOGETHER

The Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Dr. Glen Robyne

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

MESSAGE IN MUSIC

(8:30)

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

Martin Luther/arr. Tom Fettke

MorningStar directed by Ellen Wilson, accompanied by Lisa Johnson Mott

(11:00)

"Agnus Dei"

Mark Hayes

Chancel Choir directed by Ellen Wilson accompanied by Chamber Orchestra: Jayne Cope and Margaret Fornes, flute; Amy Lind, oboe; Steve Kaverman, clarinet; Vanessa Martin, bassoon; Callie Lankford, horn; Kathy Lind and Heidi Fornes, percussion; Jorie Ronschke, piano; Lisa Johnson Mott, organ

Latin text: Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, don eis requiem sempiternan.

English translation: Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, grant them eternal rest.

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 13: 31-35

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Leader: For the Word of God in scripture,
For the Word of God among us,
For the Word of God within us;

All: Thanks be to God