



ORDER *of* WORSHIP

March 6, AD 2022
11 am
First Sunday of Lent



GATHERING TO PRAISE

Assisting with Worship: Colton Underwood

Prelude

Allegro from Concerto Grosso in F Major, Op. 6 No. 2 by Arcangelo Corelli
Steve Gustafson, organ

***Welcome and Call to Worship**

Inspired by Luke 24: 13-32

We have come here with questions and burdens.

Do you know, Lord, what has happened this week? Do you care?

Jesus of Nazareth, we have heard about your death on the cross.

We have heard about visions of angels and reports of an empty tomb.

Help us believe!

Show us your suffering.

Show us your glory.

Open our eyes. Stay with us!

***Hymn of Praise**

No. 10 "O Worship the King"

LYONS

***Blessing God**

Scriptural Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Far too often and with great audacity we have asked you, "Why?" Why do you leave us alone in our suffering? Why do you delay your return? Why can't we love you and love the world? Why have you treated us so? Forgive us, we pray, for our short-sightedness. Replace our doubts with trusting faith. Assure us that you are the answer to every question. Help us love you more. In your name, Jesus, Son of God and son of Mary, we pray. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

**Standing*

***Response**

AZMON

**He breaks the power of canceled sin, he sets the prisoner free;
His blood can make the foulest clean; His blood availed for me.**

***Greeting and Announcements**

Children Kindergarten and younger may go to Children's Church.

Offertory

“Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring” by J.S. Bach, arranged by Edward S. Breck

Jesu, joy of man’s desiring, holy wisdom, love most bright,
Drawn by thee, our souls aspiring, soar to uncreated light.
Word of God our flesh that fashioned, with the fire of life impassioned,
Striving still to truth unknown, soaring, dying round thy throne.

Please place your prayer requests and offerings in the plate as it is passed.

***Response Doxology**

OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav’nly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

***Prayer of Dedication**



PROCLAIMING THE WORD

*Hymn of Preparation

No. 92 “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

BEECHER

Time with God’s Word

Prayer for Illumination

Luke 2: 40-52

And the child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom. And the favor of God was upon him.

Now his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the Feast of the Passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up according to custom. And when the feast was ended, as they were returning, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents did not know it, but supposing him to be in the group they went a day’s journey, but then they began to search for him among their relatives and acquaintances, and when they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem, searching for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. And when his parents saw him, they were astonished. And his mother said to him, “Son, why have you treated us so? Behold, your father and I have been searching for you in great distress.” And he said to them, “Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father’s house?” And they did not understand the saying that he spoke to them. And he went down with them and came to Nazareth and was submissive to them. And his mother treasured up all these things in her heart.

And Jesus increased in wisdom and in stature and in favor with God and man.

The secret things belong to the LORD our God.

But what has been revealed belongs to us, and to our children forever. That we may do all the words of this law.

Sermon

Gerrit Dawson

“Why Have You Treated Us So?”



RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Time of Reflection

*Hymn of Response

No. 89 “Our Great Savior” vs. 1-3, 5

HYFRYDOL



LORD'S SUPPER

Sacrament of Communion

The Exchange of Love

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts!
We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Communion Prayer and 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.

Words of Institution

Great is the mystery of faith:
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Communing in Christ
Prayer of Thanks

Communion Meditation

Meditation on the tune "Rockingham" arranged by Richard Purvis



BENEDICTION

*Response

Blessed be the LORD I AM, who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit, amen!

Postlude

"Alleluia" from *Exultate Jubilate* by W. A. Mozart



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome. We are glad you're here. If you are visiting with us, please use the Visitor Card in the pew racks, our church app (FPCBR in the App Store) or online at fpcbr.org/connect.

Prayer Requests. We'd love to pray for you. Prayer requests may be sent to prayer@fpcbr.org, through the church app or by filling out a card in the pew rack.

Lent Small Group Signup Today. Small groups begin this week. Visit the Connection Center to join or email Kelly Wood (kelly@fpcbr.org).

Asking Jesus Is Our Theme for Lent. We'll be engaging 42 encounters with Jesus in which we made requests. We'll see how, then as now, Jesus always answered our deeper need. Lent Guides are available at the Connection Center as well as entrances to Dunham Chapel and the Sanctuary. You may also subscribe to the Lent daily emails by texting ASKINGJESUS to 22828.

Wednesday Lent Services. Join us at noon in the Chapel every Wednesday during Lent for a short service.

March 13 Daylight Saving. Remember to set your clock *forward* one hour next Saturday to be on time for worship Sunday morning.

High School Youth Group Meets Tonight. Join us at the home of Jake and Ashley Wood (3626 Primrose) for dinner, fellowship and a lesson.

Loving Our rEcess Families March 11. Once a month volunteers spend a few hours playing with the children of families affected by disability while parents enjoy a night out. Contact Jess Concienne if you would like to participate in monthly rEcess (jess.concienne@gmail.com or 225.892.3212).

Need a Pastor After Hours? Would you like to reach a pastor after hours? Please call the church office (387.0617) and press 5 to be connected to the pastor on call.

Chapel and Sanctuary Flowers: *The flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Dr. Michael A. Teague by his children Sean, Ashley and Travis.*

Scripture for Next Week: *Mark 5: 21-24; 35-42*

Sanctuary services are video recorded and livestreamed.

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