

✠ ORDER OF WORSHIP ✠

March 20, 2022 • 10:30 a.m.

Third Sunday of Lent

*“The world sits at the feet of Christ, Unknowing, blind and unconsolated;
It yet shall touch His garment’s fold, And feel the heavenly Alchemist
Transform its very dust to gold.”*

-- John Greenleaf Whittier (1807 – 1892)

PRELUDE “A Song of Gratitude” Edward Broughton

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE SONG “Come to the Water (For Those Tears I Died)”
Marsha J. Stevens

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Leader: Eternal God, we come to You with hungry hearts,
waiting to be filled with a sense of Your
presence.

People: We come to be touched by Your Spirit and
empowered with a new commitment for Christian
service.

Leader: We come to seek You and make Your will a
meaningful part of our lives.

People: Call us back into the arms of Your mercy; help us
to grow in our relationship to You.

Leader: Renew us, even now, as we praise You and
worship You with heart and song.

PRAISE SONG “I Have a Shelter” Steve & Vikki Cook and Bob Kauflin

CALL TO CONFESSION

While we waver and hesitate, the love of God remains
steadfast. Let us approach God with confidence, knowing that our
Redeemer longs to make us whole.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Gracious and loving God, we pray for Your
leading as we worship You this morning. Help
us to realize that our lives are not worth living
unless they are lived in an awareness of Your
presence and in conformity to Your purpose for
us. Motivate us to deepen our faith and renew a
right relationship with You.**

**Inspire us, encourage us, and fortify us by the strength of
Your Spirit, through Christ we pray. Amen.**

(moment for silent prayer).

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (responsive)

Leader: Rejoice and be glad! Blessed are those
who seek the face of God.

**People: Everyone who asks, receives; and the
one who seeks, finds.**

Leader: Blessed are those who ask for
forgiveness, for they shall be forgiven.

**People: In Christ, all things are made new.
This is the good news of the gospel!**

*GLORIA PATRI (Hymn No. 622)

CHILDREN'S TIME/and to the young at heart

ANTHEM “When Jesus Wept” William Billings

SCRIPTURE John 11:32-44

SERMON “The One Who Weeps”
“Jesus wept” (John 11:35).

*HYMN No. 203 “And Can It Be?”

OFFERING (“We offer who we are and what we have.”)

*DOXOLOGY (Hymn No. 625)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND SUPPLICATION

THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)

*HYMN No. 514 “In My Heart there Rings a Melody”

CHORAL BENEDICTION “A Blessing” M. Shaw, arr. M. Jacobson

POSTLUDE “Voluntary” M. Brosig

*Those who are able, please stand.

Welcome to our church today!

If you are a visitor, thank you for coming to worship with us. We invite you to fill out a Welcome Card, which you will find in the hymnal book holder in the pew. You may then put the card in the offering plate that will be passed to you during the offering. Please join us in friendship and a chance to say hello after the service. Let us know how we can assist you.

Covid Policy

We are updating our Covid restrictions to conform with state and county regulations. The use of a mask for services is a personal choice. Adjustments will be made as conditions demand.

Christian Education

Christian Education will be holding a meeting in the church library after the service today.

Easter Lilies

We are sorry for the inconvenience caused by having such a brief time to order lilies for Easter Sunday. The problem arose by Agway's previous supplier going out of business and they having to find a new supplier. The committee will try to find a new supplier for Christmas. Since the new supplier doesn't include foil, the committee will take care of that problem. If you did not get your order in with the church, you may wish to purchase one and put it in the kitchen by April 13. Please place your name on your lily and notify Arlene to put your name on the dedication list.

--- Flower Committee

Office Hours

The office hours of Pastor Jim Hicks, temporary pastor, are Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, 9 a.m.-12 noon.
Pastor Jim Hicks – 607-898-5201- hicksjam@verizon.net

Lent Devotional

“This Love Changes Everything” is the title of our Lenten devotional gatherings. Join us, via zoom, for our journey through Lent. We were introduced to the devotional series at the soup and salad meal on Ash Wednesday, March 2. The following Wednesdays - March 23, 30 and April 6 - we'll gather via zoom from 7 - 8 p.m. Use the same link as we use for the Sunday morning service to join the gathering. Join early for catching up with friends.

Coffee Hour

On the second Sunday of every month the Church Life Committee will be offering Coffee Hours once again to those who choose to share conversations following the Sunday service. Thank you for remaining masked until participating in the dessert-and-beverage time.

The Family of Kevin Ashman

We extend our deepest sympathy to Sara Ashman and to her family at the passing of Kevin. A service of remembrance for Kevin was held this past Friday at the Perkins Funeral Home in Dryden. May God's love and grace console and strengthen the Ashman family at this time of bereavement.

For Prayer

Dave Gross, Bob Sincerbeaux,
Gretchen Young, Milo Jones, William Merrill

Worship for Next Sunday

March 27, 2022

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Theme: “What He Is and Therefore Does”

Scripture: John 12:20-26

Sermon: “The One Who Welcomes”

Ushering: Carpenter family
Flowers: Flower committee

Come to the Water (For Tears I Died)

Verse 1:

You said You'd come and share all my sorrows.
You said You'd be there for all my tomorrows.
I came so close to sending You away.
But just like You promised, You came here to stay,
I just had to pray.

Chorus:

And Jesus said, "Come to the water, stand by My side;
I know you are thirsty; you won't be denied.
I felt ev'ry teardrop when in darkness you cried
And I strove to remind you that for those tears I died."

Verse 2:

Your goodness is so great I can't understand,
But dear Lord I know now that all this was planned.
I know You are hear now and always will be.
Your love loosed my chains and in You I'm free,
But Jesus why me?

Chorus

Verse 3:

Jesus, I give You my heart and my soul,
I know that without God I'll never be whole.
Savior, You opened all the right doors.
And I thank You and praise You from earth's humble shores,
Take me, I'm Yours.

Chorus (2x)

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I Have a Shelter

Verse 1:

I have a shelter in the storm,
When troubles pour upon me;
Though fears are rising like a flood,
My soul can rest securely;

O Jesus, I will hide in You,
My place of peace and solace;
No trial is deeper than Your love
That comforts all my sorrows.

Verse 2:

I have a shelter in the storm,
When all my sins accuse me;
Though justice charges me with guilt,
Your grace will not refuse me;

O Jesus, I will hide in You,
Who bore my condemnation;
I find my refuge in Your wounds,
For there I find salvation.

Verse 3:

I have a shelter in the storm,
When constant winds would break me;
For in my weakness I have learned
Your strength will not forsake me;

O Jesus, I will hide in You,
The One who bears my burdens;
With faithful hands that cannot fail,
You'll bring me home to Heaven;

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The One who bears my burdens;
With faithful hands that cannot fail,
You'll bring me home to Heaven.

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Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father,
And to the Son,
And to the Holy Ghost:
As it was in the beginning,
Is now and ever shall be,
World without end.
Amen, Amen.

Text: *Gloria Patri*; Traditional, 2nd century
Music: *Meineke*, Christoph Meineke

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessing flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

Text: Thomas Ken
Music: Old Hundredth, Genevan Psalter, 1551; attributed to Louis Bourgeois

And Can It Be?

Verse 1:

And can it be that I should gain
An int'rest in the Savior's blood?
Died He for me, who caused His pain?
For me, who Him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be
That Thou, my God shouldst die for me?

Refrain:

Amazing love! How can it be
That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me!

Verse 2:

He left His Father's throne above,
So free, so infinite His grace!
Emptied Himself of all but love,
And bled for Adam's helpless race!
'Tis mercy all, immense and free,
For, O my God, it found out me.

Refrain

Verse 3:

Long my imprisoned spirit lay
Fast bound in sin and nature's night.
Thine eye diffused a quick'ning ray:
I woke – the dungeon flamed with light!
My chains fell off, my heart was free,
I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.

Refrain

Verse 4:

No condemnation now I dread:
Jesus, and all in Him, is mine!
Alive in Him, my living Head,
And clothed in righteousness divine,
Bold I approach th'eternal throne,
And claim the crown, thru Christ my own.

Refrain:

Text: Charles Wesley
Music *Sagina*, Thomas Campbell

In My Heart There Rings a Melody

Verse 1:

I have a song that Jesus gave me,
It was sent from heav'n above;
There never was a sweeter melody,
'Tis a melody of love.

Refrain:

In my heart there rings a melody,
There rings a melody with heaven's harmony;
In my heart there rings a melody,
There rings a melody of love.

Verse 2:

I love the Christ who died on Calvary,
For He washed my sins away;
He put within my heart a melody,
And I know it's there to stay.

Refrain

Verse 3:

'Twill be my endless theme in glory,
With the angels I will sing;
'Twill be a song with glorious harmony,
When the courts of heaven ring.

Refrain

Text and Music: *Heart Melody*, Elton M. Roth