

Worship Guide

8:30 March 19, 2023

Prelude – Lenten Hymn Settings - David Cherwien

Announcements & Greeting

To prepare for this service, please bring the following items to the place where you will be participating in worship:

- A plate with bread on it. Cover the bread with a napkin or cloth.
- A cup or glass with wine or grape juice. You may have small cups for each of the people who will be participating. You may pour from the one cup into the many cups later during the service.
- A heart, soul and mind open to the love of God in Christ Jesus.

Confession & Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who journeys with us these forty days,
and sustains us with the gift of grace.

Amen.

Let us acknowledge before God and one another
our need for repentance and God's mercy.

Holy God,

we confess to you our faults and failings.

Too often we neglect and do not trust your holy word;

we take for ourselves instead of giving to others;

we spoil rather than steward your creation;

we cause hurt though you call us to heal;

we choose fear over compassion.

Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,

as we seek to follow in your way of life.

Amen.

Hear the good news:
God so loved the world that God gave the only Son,
so that all may receive life.
This promise is for you!
God embraces you with divine mercy,
✠ forgives you in Christ's name,
and revives you in the Spirit's power.
Amen.

Hymn: “*BeThou My Vision*” ELW 793

- 1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art:
thou my best thought both by day and by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.
- 2 Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord.
Thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tow'r,
raise thou me heav'nward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
- 3 Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise,
thou mine inheritance, now and always:
thou and thou only, the first in my heart,
great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.
- 4 Light of my soul, after victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

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Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of
the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Kyrie – page 213

L: Kyrie eleison: **C: Lord, have mercy.**

L: Christe eleison: **C: Christ, have mercy.**

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Prayer of the Day

Hear our prayers, Lord Christ, and come to us when we call. Your gracious life and death, brought light into the darkness of our hearts. Anoint us with your Spirit, that we may be well. Amen.

Psalm 23

¹The LORD is my shepherd;
I shall not in want.

²**The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters.**

³You restore my soul, O LORD,
and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

⁴**Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no evil; for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

⁶**Surely goodness and mercy
shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

Gospel Acclamation

Create in me a clean and righteous heart, O God,

Put a willing spirit in my soul.

Let me sing with joy anew

The salvation found in you,

Singing praise to you who made me whole.

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John 9:1 - 41

The Holy Gospel according to John the 9th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon – Susan Haukaas

Hymn: “Open My Eyes – Marty Haugen” Handout

Refrain:

Open my eyes, O God, help me to see,
break through the shadows, heal the blindness in me.
Come, dawn on my darkness, make me holy and wise,
O Light of the world, come, open my eyes.

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I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
Born of the Virgin Mary,
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
He ascended into heaven,
He is seated at the right hand of the Father,
And he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
The holy catholic church,
The communion of saints,
The forgiveness of sins,
The resurrection of the body,
And the life everlasting. Amen

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Prayer Song: “Take, Oh, Take Me as I Am” ELW 814

Take, oh, take me as I am;
summon out what I shall be;
set your seal upon my heart
and live in me.

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Prayers of the People

L: Lord, in your mercy.

C: Hear our prayer

Prayer Song: “Take, Oh, Take Me as I Am” ELW 814

Offering of Music: "Look Down" Natalie Sleeth Trinity Choir

Offertory: “Take My Life That I May Be” vs. 1 & 2 ELW 685

- 1 Take my life, that I may be
consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days;
let them flow in ceaseless praise.
- 2 Take my hands and let them move
at the impulse of thy love;
take my feet and let them be
swift and beautiful for thee.

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Offering Prayer

God of good gifts, receive these and all our offerings as we present them in faithful service for the sake of your gospel. Prepare our hearts to receive you in this meal as you pour out your very presence through Christ Jesus, the wellspring of eternal life. Amen

Communion

At this time, please take the bread you have and uncover it.
Do the same with the wine/grape juice and pour it into the cup you will use.
Gathered together into the one body of Christ from the many places where we experience this holy time of worship, we come to the Lord’s table:

Great Thanksgiving – page 152

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is our duty and delight ... join their unending hymn

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Response – “Restore in Us, O God” ELW 328 vs. 1 & 2

1 Restore in us, O God,
the splendor of your love;
renew your image in our hearts,
and all our sins remove.

2 O Spirit, wake in us
the wonder of your pow'r;
from fruitless fear unfurl our lives
like springtime bud and flow'r.

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Eucharistic Prayer and Words of Institution

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 and ever. Amen

Distribution

At this time, you may eat the bread and drink the wine, the body and blood of Christ, trusting in faith that Christ is with you.

If you are with other people, you may give them bread and the wine to eat and drink and then receive these gifts of God for yourself.

If you are not partaking in the meal at this time, receive this blessing:
Jesus loves you. This I know.

Communion Song – “Restore in Us, O God” ELW 328 vs. 3 & 4

- 3 Bring us, O Christ, to share
the fullness of your joy;
baptize us in the risen life
that death cannot destroy.
- 4 Three-personed God, fulfill
the promise of your grace,
that we, when all our searching ends,
may see you face to face.

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Communion Song: “Here is Bread” ELW 483

Here is bread, here is wine, Christ is with us, he is with us.
Break the bread, taste the wine, Christ is with us here.

Refrain

In this bread there is healing,
In this cup is life forever.
In this moment, by the Spirit,
Christ is with us here.

Here is grace, here is peace, Christ is with us, he is with us.
Know his grace, find his peace, Feast on Jesus here. *Refrain*

Here we are, joined in one, Christ is with us, he is with us.
We'll proclaim till he comes Jesus crucified. *Refrain*

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Communion Song: “Eat This Bread” ELW 472

"Eat this bread, drink this cup,
come to me and never be hungry.
Eat this bread, drink this cup,
trust in me and you will not thirst."

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Prayer After Communion

Holy One, we thank you for the healing that springs forth abundantly from this table. Renew our strength to do justice, love kindness, and journey humbly with you. Amen

Benediction

God, the giver of love, † Christ, the resurrection and the life, and the Holy Spirit of rebirth bless you in this Lenten journey. **Amen.**

Sending Song: "Amazing Grace" ELW 779

- 1 Amazing grace! how sweet the sound
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found;
was blind, but now I see.
- 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!
- 3 Through many dangers, toils, and snares
I have already come;
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.
- 4 The Lord has promised good to me;
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.
- 5 When we've been there ten thousand years,
bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we'd first begun.

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Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve in love.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude: "Amazing Grace" - David Cherwien

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