

THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday, March 3, 2024

Third Sunday in Lent

11:00 a.m.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Chorale and Prelude: Ach, Gott vom Himmel

J.C. Bach

INTROIT

Lord, You Have the Words of Everlasting Life (from Psalm 19)
Madelynne Banderman and Isaac Brooks, soloists

T. Alonso

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Adapted from Psalm 19:1-4

Leader:

The heavens are telling of Your glory, O God,

People:

And the firmament proclaims Your handiwork.

Leader:

Day to day pours forth speech,

People:

And night to night declares knowledge.

Leader:

There is no speech, nor are there words;

People:

Their voice is not heard;

Leader:

Yet their voice goes out through all the earth

People:

And their words to the end of the world.

*HYMN #371

Lift High the Cross
verses 1, 3, 4

CRUCIFER

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty and eternal God: we acknowledge that we are not worthy of the great love which You have for us. We have been ungrateful for what You have accomplished through Your Son, and we have not cherished Your grace. We have not responded in love as Your mercy deserves. Cleanse our hearts from within, O Lord, and incline Your ear to our plea for forgiveness. Lead us in the way of Your Christ, that we may never thirst for righteousness. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

KYRIE #572

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

WORDS WITH OUR YOUNG CHURCH

Children ages K-3rd grade are now invited downstairs for Children's Worship.

ANTHEM

O Lamb of God Most Holy

Sandra Gay

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

John 2:13-22

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks Be to God.

SERMON

"The House That God Built"

Rev. Curtis Christian

*HYMN #92

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

ST. CHRISTOPHER

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

APOSTLES' CREED

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, dead, 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.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #579

Gloria Patri

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERINGS FOR THE MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

OFFERTORY

Aria and Bourée

J. S. Bach

*DOXOLOGY #592

Old Hundredth

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

BEARING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN #467

How Great Thou Art
verses 1 and 3

O STORE GUD

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION

Faithful Cross

FORTUNATUS NEW

*POSTLUDE

We Love the Place, O God

QUAM DILECTA

*Those who are able, please stand

***Late Arrivals Seated

Welcome and thanks to Jim Willett, tuba.