

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

WINNETKA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT
MARCH 20, 2022

GATHERING

PRELUDE

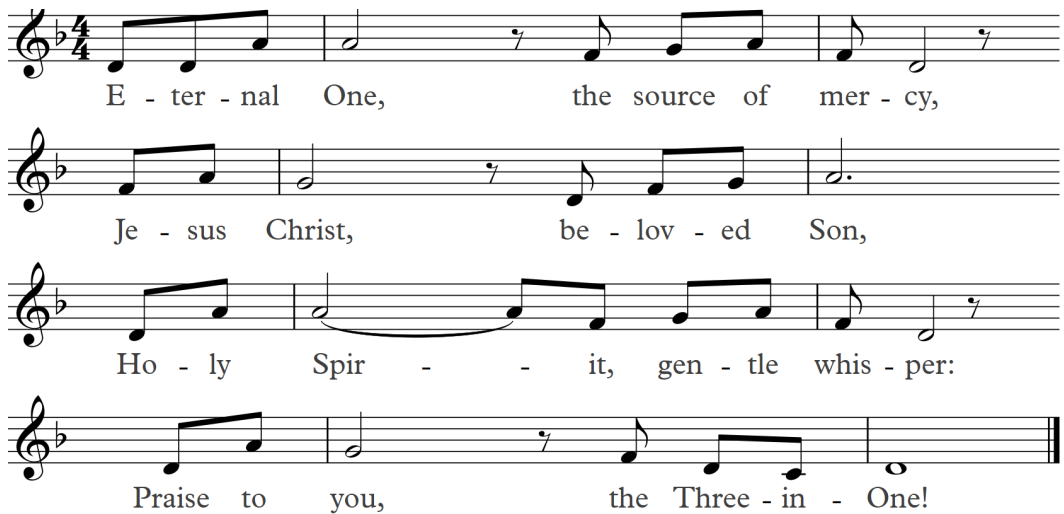
Alas and Did My Savior Bleed

WELCOME

SILENT REFLECTION

GLORIA PATRI | STANDING

Eternal One



E - ter - nal One, the source of mer - cy,
Je - sus Christ, be - lov - ed Son,
Ho - ly Spir - - it, gen - tle whis - per:
Praise to you, the Three - in - One!

Come now all who thirst
and drink the water of life.
 Come now all who hunger
and be filled with good things.
 Come now all who seek
and be warmed by the fire of love.

HYMN | STANDING

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy



1. There's a wide - ness in God's mer - cy, like the wide - ness
 2. There is grace e - nough for thou - sands of new worlds as
 3. But we make God's love too nar - row by false lim - its



of the sea. There's a kind - ness in God's jus - tice,
 great as this; There is room for fresh cre - a - tions
 of our own; and we mag - ni - fy God's strict - ness



which is more than lib - er - ty. There is wel - come for the
 in that up - per home of bliss. For the love of God is
 with a zeal God will not own. If our love were but more



sin - ner, and more grac - es for the good; There is
 broad - er than the meas - ures of our mind. And the
 sim - ple, we would glad - ly trust God's Word, and our



mer - cy with the Sav - ior; there is heal - ing in his blood.
 heart of the E - ter - nal is most won - der - ful - ly kind.
 lives re - flect thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of our Lord.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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God our Creator,
your kindness has brought us
the gift of a new morning.
Help us to leave yesterday,
and not to covet tomorrow
but to accept the uniqueness of today.
By your love,
take from us what we need to carry no longer,
so that we may be free again
to choose to serve you.

RESPONSE

Trisagion (Kyivan Chant)

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly Might - y,
Ho - ly Im - mor - tal have mer - cy on us.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

CHORAL RESPONSE

Psalm 103

Bless the Lord, my soul; bless his holy name!
All that is in me, bless his holy name!
Who forgives our faults, crowns us with his love,
for he shows no anger; yet abounds in steadfast love.
Bless the Lord my soul.
For he know our frame; knows that we are dust.
We are as the grass; and must fade away.
But the steadfast love of the Lord our God
shall be everlasting for the ones who love the Lord!
Bless the Lord my soul.

LISTENING

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

HEBREW SCRIPTURE

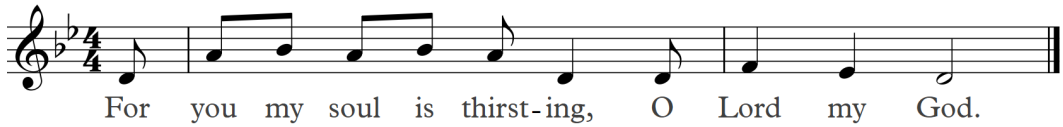
Isaiah 55:1-9

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Psalm 63

The cantor sings the refrain first, then all repeat.



O God, you are my God, for you I long;
for you, O God, my soul is thirsting.

My body pines for you, like dry land without water. (refrain)

So in the sanctuary I have gazed on you,
to see your strength and your glory.

Your love is better than life; my lips will speak your praise. (refrain)

So I will bless you all my life,
in your name I will lift up my hands.

You satisfy my soul; I shall praise you with joy. (refrain)

For you have been my help, O Lord my God;
in the shadow of your wings I rejoice.

My soul clings to you; your right hand holds me fast. (refrain)

GOSPEL

Luke 13:1-9

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Children are dismissed to K-6 Sunday School following the scripture reading.

SERMON

Figs at Last
Rev. Paul Gilmore

RESPONDING

MUSICAL OFFERING

Whole Again
Bryan Wlas, soloist

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH | STANDING

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We believe in a bright and amazing God,
who has been to the depths of despair on our behalf;
who has risen in splendor and majesty;
who decorates the universe
with sparkling water, clear bright light,
twinkling stars and sharp colors,
over and over again.

We believe that Jesus is the light of the world;
that God believes in us, and trusts us,
even though we make the same mistakes
over and over again.

We commit ourselves to Jesus,
to one another as sisters and brothers,
and to the Maker's business in the world.
Amen.

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST | STANDING

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**
Peace, Salaam, Shalom.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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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.

SENDING



1. This is a day of new be - gin - nings,
2. For by the life and death of Je - sus,
3. Then let us, with the Spir - it's dar - ing,
4. Christ is a - live, and goes be - fore us



time to re - mem - ber and move on,
love's might - y Spir - it, now as then,
step from the past and leave be - hind
to show and share what love can do.



time to be - lieve what love__ is bring - ing,
can make for us a world__ of dif - ference,
our dis - ap - point - ment, guilt__ and griev - ing,
This is a day of new__ be - gin - nings;



lay - ing to rest the pain that's gone.
as faith and hope are born a - gain.
seek - ing new paths, and sure to find.
our God is mak - ing all things new.

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION | STANDING

POSTLUDE



TODAY'S LITURGY AND PRAYERS

Throughout Lent, we are incorporating prayers from the Iona Community into our Sunday worship. Iona Abbey is located off the coast of Scotland. Some of our WPC community will be going on pilgrimage to Iona this Summer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sign up at winnpres.org to receive our weekly email for all the latest WPC news.

CELTIC SPIRITUALITY CLASS TODAY

Sundays, @ 11:10am (Conference Room B)

Come learn about our Celtic ancestors in the faith. The class is a prelude to our church trip to Scotland in June, but it is open not only to our travelers but to the whole congregation.

EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS

Check your weekly email or click the “Give Online” button on the website. To donate with a check, please put “Easter Flowers” in the memo line.

HOLY WEEK

PALM SUNDAY (APRIL 10)

Worship @ 10am (CLC)

MAUNDY THURSDAY (APRIL 14)

Supper @ 6pm

Worship @ 7pm (Sanctuary)

GOOD FRIDAY (APRIL 15)

Organ Meditations @ 12noon (Sanctuary)

EASTER SUNDAY (APRIL 17)

Festival Worship @ 10am (CLC)

WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

Zoom links can be found in your weekly email or at winnpres.org.

SERVING TODAY

Worship Leaders: Paul Gilmore, Geoff Duffy

Greeter: Nancy Holly

Lectors: Kathy Fink, Sherri Lewis

Musicians: Bryan Wlas, Elizabeth Vaughan,

Daniel Rausch, Laura Bumgardner,

Warren Oja

Sound: Stephen Gloyd

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