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Grace Presbyterian Church

Worships God in Word and Sacrament at 11:00 a.m.

March 4, 2018

The Third Sunday in Lent

The Bell Calls Us to Worship

The congregation stands

Silent Procession by choir and pastor

The congregation sits

Introit by the Choir Christ, We Do All Adore Thee Theodore Dubois, 1899

Christ, we do all adore thee, and we do praise thee forever,
for on the holy cross hast thou the world from sin redeemed.

Prayer to the Lamb of God

After each section of the prayer, the congregation joins the pastor, saying: **Lord, have mercy.**

Hymn 370 Just As I Am, Without One Plea Woodworth

Prayer of Confession Unison

God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost.

We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way.

**We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained,
and great when we are small.**

We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth.

Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin.

Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ our Savior ...

Silent Prayers of Confession

Kyrie by the Choir David N. Johnson, 1972

Concluding Prayer by the Pastor

Assurance of Pardon – Epistle 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 482 Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty Lobe Den Herren

Opening Sentences

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: **The Maker of heaven and earth.**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray.

Prayer for the Day (spoken by the pastor; the congregation joining the **Amen**.)

Eternal God, your kingdom has broken into our troubled world through the life, death, and resurrection of your Son. Help us to hear your Word and obey it, that we may become instruments of your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Pastor: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Passing of the Peace (Worshippers greet one another with the peace of Christ.)

Welcome and Announcements

The children come to the Baptismal Font for a

Time for Young Christians

Old Testament

Exodus 20:1-21

Psalm 19:1-10,12,14

Unison

The heavens are telling the glory of God,

and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

Day to day pours forth speech, and night unto night declares knowledge.

There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard.

Yet their line goes out through all the earth

and their words to the end of the world.

In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun,

which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy,

and like a strong man runs its course with joy.

Its rising is from the end of the heavens and its circuit to the end of them;

and nothing is hid from its heat.

The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul.

The decrees of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple.

The precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart.

The commandment of the Lord is clear, enlightening the eyes.

The fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever.

The ordinances of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold;

sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb.

But who can detect their errors? Clear me from hidden faults.

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart

be acceptable to you, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

Anthem The Heavens Proclaim Benedetto Marcello (1686-1739)

The heav'ns proclaim the Lord of life; the heights show forth God's majesty. Each day awakes to the rising sun; each night unfolds from night to night. No word is heard, yet their voices ring through the earth. From morning dawn to setting sun, praise God, Creator, Mighty One. God made the earth and heav'n above and rules o'er all in might and love.

(-- Psalm 19; adapted by and arrangement by Hal. H. Hopson, 2002)

Gospel

John 2:13-22

Sermon

Breaking Up Church

Mike Krech

“Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables.” John 2:14-15

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 84

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

Rathbun

Nicene Creed

Unison; Hymnal, page 15, Ecumenical

Gloria Patri 579

Henry W. Greatorex, 1851

The congregation sits.

Pastoral Prayer of Thanksgiving, Intercession, and Dedication

Offertory Sentence

Offertory

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

arr. Lee Turner

The congregation stands to sing the

Doxology 592

Old Hundredth

The congregation sits.

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Words of Institution and Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

Unison; Hymnal, page 16, Traditional

The elders serve worshippers at their places. All Christians are welcome to receive the Sacrament.

You may receive the bread and cup when you are spiritually prepared.

Anthem

Ave Verum

W.A. Mozart (1756-1791)

Ave verum, corpus natum de Maria Virgine: vere passum immolatum cruce pro homine.

Cujus latus perforatum unda fluxit et sanguine: Esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine.

(Hail, true body, born of the Virgin Mary, who truly suffered on the cross for humanity, whose pierced side flowed water and blood. Be for us a foretaste in death's trial)

Prayer of Thanksgiving after Communion and Benediction

The congregation stands to sing the

Recessional Hymn 371

Lift High the Cross

Crucifer