

CHURCH SESSION

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Grace Presbyterian Church

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

March 24, 2019

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

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 10:1-13

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 356

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Nettleton

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**.)
O God, the fountain of life, to a humanity parched with thirst you offer the living water of grace, springing up from the rock, our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant us your Spirit, that we may cling in faith to Him, 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

Isaiah 55:1-9

Psalm 63:1-8

Unison

O God, you are my God. I seek you; my soul thirsts for you;

My flesh faints for you,

as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary,

beholding your power and glory.

Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you.

So I will bless you as long as I live;

I will lift up my hands and call on your name.

My soul is satisfied, as with a rich feast,

and my mouth praises you with joyful lips,

when I think of you on my bed

and meditate on you in the watches of the night.

For you have been my help,

and in the shadow of your wings I sing for joy.

My soul clings to you; your right hand upholds me.

Anthem When Jesus Wept William Billings, 1770

When Jesus wept, the falling tear in mercy flowed beyond all bound; when Jesus groaned, a trembling fear seized all the guilty world around. (-- William Billings; arr. Philip Kern, 2002)

Gospel

Luke 13:1-9

Sermon

When Towers Fall

Mike Krech

“Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them – do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you, but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did.”

Luke 13:4-5

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 282

If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee

Wer Nur Den Lieben Gott

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

Ave Verum

W.A. Mozart (1756-1791)

Ave verum Corpus, natum de Maria Virgine; vere passum immolatum in cruce pro homine.

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

Hail, true Body, born of the Virgin Mary, having truly suffered, you were sacrificed on the cross for humanity. Your pierced side flowed with water and blood. May it be for us a foretaste in the trial of death. (--14th c. Eucharistic hymn; this arr. edited by C.F. Manney, 1933)

The congregation stands to sing the

Doxology 592

Old Hundredth

The congregation sits.

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Words of Institution

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.

Prayer of Thanksgiving after Communion

Unison

O God, you have so greatly loved us,

long sought us and mercifully redeemed us.

Give us grace that we may yield ourselves, our wills and our works,

a continual thank-offering to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Benediction

The congregation stands to sing the

Recessional Hymn 538

Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing

Sicilian Mariners