

The Lord's Day in Worship

COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 22, 2020

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

David Driskill

Most holy and merciful Father,

We acknowledge and confess before you our sinful nature

prone to evil and slow in good and all our shortcomings and offenses.

You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways,

In wasting your gifts, in forgetting your life.

But you, O Lord, have mercy upon us,

who are ashamed and sorry for all wherein we have displeased you.

Teach us to hate our errors, cleanse us from our secret faults, and forgive our sins

For the sake of your dear Son.

And O most holy and loving Father, Help us, we beg you,

to live in your light and walk in your ways

according to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

PRAYER FOR GOD'S MERCY

“Trisagion”

Ho - - ly God,

3 Ho - ly and Migh - ty,

5 Ho - - ly im - mor - tal One, have

7 mer - cy, have mer - cy on us.

Words: Book of Common Prayer. Music: Fernando Ortega. CCLI # 147209.

☒ ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Truly, Truly I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life.
—John 6:47

The almighty and merciful Lord grant you forgiveness of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of His Holy Spirit.

☒ *Congregation stand as able.*

☒ **READING FROM THE PSALMS AND CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 46:1-3, 10-11

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

*Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,
though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,
though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble at its swelling.*

“Be still, and know that I am God.
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth!”

*The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.*

Let us worship God

It is good to give Him praise.

“Praise to the Lord the Almighty”

Praise to the Lord the Almighty,
The King of creation;
O my soul praise Him
For He is thy health and salvation.
All ye who hear,
Now to His temple draw near;
Join me in glad adoration

Praise to the Lord Who o’er all things
So wondrously reigneth;
Shelters thee under His wings,
Yes, so gently sustaineth.
Hast thou not seen
How all thy longings have been
Granted in what He ordaineth.

Praise to the Lord
Who doth prosper thy work
And defend thee.
Surely His goodness and mercy
Here daily attend thee;
Ponder anew
What the Almighty can do,
If with His love He befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord
O let all that is in me adore Him.
All that hath life and breath,
Come now with praises before Him.
Let the amen
Sound from His people again.
Gladly for aye we adore Him.

READING FROM THE PROPHETS

Kim Killgore

Habakkuk 3:17-19

Though the fig tree should not blossom,
nor fruit be on the vines,
the produce of the olive fail
and the fields yield no food,
the flock be cut off from the fold
and there be no herd in the stalls,
¹⁸yet I will rejoice in the LORD;
I will take joy in the God of my salvation.
¹⁹GOD, the Lord, is my strength;
he makes my feet like the deer's;
he makes me tread on my high places.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

“I Need Thee Every Hour”

I need Thee ev'ry hour,
Most gracious Lord;
No tender voice like Thine
Can peace afford.
I need Thee, O I need Thee,
Ev'ry hour I need Thee;
O bless me now my Savior,
I come to Thee.

I need Thee ev'ry hour;
Stay Thou nearby;
Temptations lose their pow'r
When Thou art nigh.
I need Thee, O I need Thee,
Ev'ry hour I need Thee;
O bless me now my Savior,
I come to Thee.

I need Thee ev'ry hour
In joy or pain;
Come quickly and abide
Or life is vain.
I need Thee, O I need Thee,
Ev'ry hour I need Thee.
O bless me now my Savior,
I come to Thee.

O bless me now my Savior,
I come to Thee.

Words: Annie S. Hawks (1835-1918); refrain: Robert Lowry (1826-1899). Music: Robert Lowry (1826-1899).

Matthew 6:25-34

“Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? ²⁶Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? ²⁸And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. ³⁰But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? ³¹Therefore do not be anxious, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ ³²For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. ³³But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

³⁴“Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

"It is Well With My Soul"

When peace like a river attendeth my way,
When sorrows like sea billows roll;
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,
"It is well, it is well with my soul."

REFRAIN:

It is well with my soul,
It is well, it is well with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet,
Though trials should come;
Let this blest assurance control,
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
And hath shed His own blood for my soul!
(Refrain)

My sin, oh the bliss, of this glorious thought,
My sin, not in part, but the whole
Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more;
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, oh my soul!
(Refrain)

And Lord, haste the day
When my faith shall be sight;
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll;
The trump shall resound,
And the Lord shall descend;
Even so, it is well with my soul!
(Refrain)

Words: Horatio G. Spafford, 1873. Music: *VILLE DU HAVRE*; Philip P. Bliss, 1876.

GIVING OF FIRST FRUITS*Marty Crawford***"Calmer of My Troubled Heart"***Rick Barnes*

Calmer of my troubled heart,
Bid my unbelief depart;
Speak and all my sorrows cease,
Speak and all my soul is peace.

Hallelujah, hallelujah!
Hallelujah, hallelujah!

Comfort me whene'er I mourn
With the hope of Thy return,
And till I Thy glories see,
Help me believe in Thee.

Savior, may our Sabbaths be
Days of joy and peace in Thee,
Til in heaven, our souls repose
Where the Sabbath ne'er shall close.

Words: Charles Wesley and Clint Wells. Music: Clint Wells; CCLI 5384479.

☒ APOSTLES' CREED

*I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.
 And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
 who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
 born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell;
 the third day he rose again from the dead;
 he ascended into heaven,
 and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
 from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
 I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church;
 the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
 the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.*

☒ GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father,
 And to the Son,
 And to the Holy Ghost;
 As it was in the beginning,
 Is now, and ever shall be,
 World without end.
 Amen, amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the LORD be with you.

And also with you.

Greet one another with words of peace and reconciliation.

MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

A WORD ABOUT MISSIONS

Steve Stigler

THE MORNING PRAYERS

Bob Schaffeld

☒ READING FROM THE EPISTLES

Philippians 4:4-9

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. ⁵Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; ⁶do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. ⁸Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

All flesh is like grass,
 And all its glory is like the flower of the field.
The grass withers, the flower fades,
But the word of our God stands forever.

MESSAGE

"THE CHRISTIAN IN CRISIS: TRUSTING THE LORD"

John Fountain

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

☒ HYMN OF TRUST

"Be Still My Soul"

Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side;
 Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;
 Leave to your God to order and provide;
 In ev'ry change he faithful will remain.
 Be still, my soul: your best, your heav'nly Friend
 Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

Be still, my soul: your God will undertake
 To guide the future as he has the past.
 Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake;
 All now mysterious shall be bright at last.
 Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know
 His voice who ruled them while he dwelt below.

Be still, my soul: when dearest friends depart,
 And all is darkened in the vale of tears,
 Then shall you better know his love, his heart,
 Who comes to soothe your sorrow and your fears.
 Be still, my soul: your Jesus can repay
 From his own fullness all he takes away.

Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on,
 When we shall be forever with the Lord;
 When disappointment, fear, and grief are gone,
 Sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored;
 Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past
 All safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

Words: Kathrina von Schlegel, translated by Jane Borthwicks. Music: FINLANDIA,
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 Paul Loyless
 Bob Schaffeld
 Lee Sheppard
 Steve Stigler
 Mark Taylor
 John Wood

2021

Eric Getty
 Russell Martin
 Daniel Murray
 Warren Norville
 Sandy Stradtman
 Clay Wheeler

2022

Ty Dedmon
 John Hamilton
 Mark Hogewood
 John James
 David O'Dell
 Norman Pless
 Kurt Senn

DEACONS

2020

Tripp Alexander
 Paul Darden
 Jay Evans
 Bryan Flores
 John Gant
 John David Gray
 Marty Martin
 Bud Miller
 Tyler O'Connor
 John Shults
 Danny Smith
 Robert Stephens
 Clark Worrell

2021

Nick Baggett
 Ward Bailey
 Samuel Bragg
 Trey Clegg
 Will Graham
 Jeff Hicks
 Jim Jenkins
 Alan Spooner
 Patrick Strong

2022

Jim Bennett
 William Edwards
 Merrill Johnston
 Randall Lancaster
 Mark Midyette
 Stephen Mince
 Clyde Prather
 John Shank
 Matt Thomas
 Greg Tomlinson

BIBLE READING PLAN

These readings are provided as a personal, family, or group worship resource. Use them along with your worship guide as resources for readings, prayers, and hymns. The scripture readings are from Ligonier Ministries and are designed around a one-year cycle that will allow you to read through the New Testament or the entire Bible in 2020.

MARCH READING PLAN

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