

Worship Leader Edition  
Second Sunday of Lent  
Acts of Discipleship: REPENTANCE

February 28, 2021

10:00 AM

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GATHERING

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PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS *(Stephanie)*

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS *(Stephanie)*

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

**C: Amen.**

L: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

L: Most merciful God,

**C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves; we have not loved ourselves as you love us. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

L: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

**C: Amen.**

GATHERING SONG

“Chain Breaker”

*J. Smith, et al./D. Galbraith, D. Loehrs*

**Verse 1**

If you've been walking  
the same old road  
For miles and miles

If you've been hearing  
the same old voice  
Tell the same old lies

If you're trying to fill the  
same old holes inside  
There's a better life  
There's a better life

**Chorus 1**

If you've got pain  
He's a pain taker  
If you feel lost  
He's a way maker

If you need freedom or saving  
He's a prison shaking Savior  
If you got chains  
He's a chain breaker

**Verse 2**

We've all searched for the  
light of day  
In the dead of night  
We've all found ourselves  
worn out  
From the same old fight

We've all run to things  
we know just ain't right  
When there's a better life  
There's a better life

**Repeat Chorus 1**

**Bridge (3 times)**

If you believe it  
If you receive it  
If you can feel it  
Somebody testify

**Repeat Chorus 1**

**Ending**

If you need freedom or saving  
He's a prison shaking Savior

If you got chains  
He's a chain breaker

PRAYER OF THE DAY (*Assistant*)

L: Holy One of mighty power, your word is powerfully dangerous. Your word casts out demons. Your word heals incurable diseases. Your word devours empires. Your word transforms the fabric of the universe. Help us to stand in awe and fear of what your word is capable of doing. Give us courage to speak your word and wisdom to hear it, for the sake of the one whose very whisper can demolish sin, Jesus Christ.

**C: Amen.**

## WORD

FIRST READING (*Adam Roberts*)

Galatians 6:7-10

Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 13:1-9, 31-35

L: The Holy Gospel according to Luke

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

At that very time there were some present who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, 'Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. 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.' Then he told this parable: 'A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, "See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?"' He replied, "Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig round it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down." ' At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, 'Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.' He said to them, 'Go and tell that fox for me, "Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed away from Jerusalem." Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, "Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord." '

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

## SERMON

Pastor Rob Norris-Weber

## SONG OF THE DAY

"Give Us Clean Hands"

*Charlie Hall/Dan Galbraith***Verse 1**

We bow our hearts  
we bend our knees  
Oh Spirit come  
make us humble

We turn our eyes  
from evil things

Oh Lord we cast down  
our idols

**Chorus 1**

Give us clean hands  
give us pure hearts  
Let us not lift our souls  
to another

Give us clean hands  
give us pure hearts  
Let us not lift our souls  
to another

Oh God let us be  
a generation that seeks  
That seeks Your face  
oh God of Jacob

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That seeks Your face  
oh God of Jacob

**Repeat Verse 1**

**Repeat Chorus 1 (2 times)**

**Ending**

Oh God of Jacob  
Oh God of Jacob

THE APOSTLES' CREED (*Assistant*)

**C: 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, died, 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.**

THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION (*Assistant*)

L: With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

L: Hear us, O God,

**C: your mercy is great.**

L: Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**C: Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Assistant*)

**C: 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom,**

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## SENDING

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SHARING OF THE PEACE (*Stephanie*)

L: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

**C: And also with you!**

*Please share of wave of peace with one another.*

BENEDICTION (*Stephanie*)

L: Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

CLOSING SONG

"Forever"

*Chris Tomlin/Dan Galbraith*

**Verse 1**

Give thanks to the Lord  
Our God and King  
His love endures forever

For He is good  
He is above all things  
His love endures forever

Sing praise  
Sing praise

**Verse 2**

With a mighty hand  
And an outstretched arm  
His love endures forever

For the life that's been reborn  
His love endures forever

Sing praise  
Sing praise  
Sing praise  
Sing praise

**Chorus 1**

Forever God is faithful  
Forever God is strong  
Forever God is with us

Forever  
Forever

**Verse 3**

From the rising  
to the setting sun  
His love endures forever

DISMISSAL (*Assistant*)

L: Go in peace. Remember the poor.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

By the grace of God  
We will carry on  
His love endures forever

Sing praise  
Sing praise  
Sing praise  
Sing praise

**Chorus 2**

Forever God is faithful  
Forever God is strong  
Forever God is with us  
Forever

**Chorus 3**

Forever You are faithful  
Forever You are strong  
Forever You are with us

Forever  
Forever  
Forever  
Forever