Worship Leader Edition Suffering Servant

March 3, 2024 8:30 AM

GATHERING

PRELUDE

"Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain"

Michael Burkhardt

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS {Front Center}

+CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS {Front Center} (Rob)

Screen

- L: God's steadfast love is everlasting. God's faithfulness endures from generation to generation. Trusting in the mercy of God, we acknowledge the sin and brokenness in us and around us.
- L: Please take a moment of silent reflection.
- L: Lord of reconciliation,
- C: we confess that we do not trust your abundance. We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts. We fail to believe that you provide enough for all. We abuse your good creation for our own benefit. We fear difference and do not welcome others as you have welcomed us. We sin in thought, word, and deed. By your grace, forgive us; through your love, renew us; and in your Spirit, lead us; so that we may live and serve you in newness of life.
- L: Beloved community, by God's radical abundance of grace and mercy we have peace. Through Christ Jesus, our sins are forgiven. Sharing God's love that has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit. Let us live in the hope that does not disappoint.

C: Amen

+OPENING HYMN "You Servants of God" **ELW #825/Screen**

Verse 1

You servants of God, your Master proclaim, and publish abroad his wonderful name; the name, all-victorious, of Jesus extol; his kingdom is glorious and rules over all!

Verse 2

Ascended on high, almighty to save, yet still he is nigh, his presence we have. The great congregation his triumph shall sing, ascribing salvation to Jesus, our king!

Verse 3

Salvation to God who sits on the throne! Let all cry aloud and honor the Son. The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim, fall down on their faces, and worship the Lamb.

Verse 4

Then let us adore and give him his right, all glory and pow'r and wisdom and might, all honor and blessing, with angels above, and thanks never ceasing, and infinite love!

- +GREETING {Front Center} (Beth Angerhofer)
 - L: The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
 - C: And also with you.
- +PRAYER OF THE DAY {Front Center} (Beth Angerhofer)
 - L: Son of God, you spoke words to Jerusalem's leaders that were hard to hear. Give us ears to receive your word of life so that we can follow you faithfully.

C: Amen.

FIRST READING {Lectern} (David Skinner)

Isaiah 53:1-9

Who has believed what we have heard? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him. He was despised and rejected by others; a man of suffering and acquainted with infirmity; and as one from whom others hide their faces he was despised, and we held him of no account. Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. By a perversion of justice he was taken away.

Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

+THE HOLY GOSPEL Mark 12:1-12

Then he began to speak to them in parables. 'A man planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a pit for the wine press, and built a watch-tower; then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the season came, he sent a slave to the tenants to collect from them his share of the produce of the vineyard. But they seized him, and beat him, and sent him away empty-handed. And again he sent another slave to them; this one they beat over the head and insulted. Then he sent another, and that one they killed. And so it was with many others; some they beat, and others they killed. He had still one other, a beloved son. Finally he sent him to them, saying, "They will respect my son." But those tenants said to one another, "This is the heir; come, let us kill him, and the inheritance will be ours." So they seized him, killed him, and threw him out of the vineyard. What then will the owner of the vineyard do? He will come and destroy the tenants and give the vineyard to others. Have you not read this scripture: "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes"?' When they realized that he had told this parable against them, they wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowd. So they left him and went away.

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON Rob Norris-Weber, Pastor

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Love Consecrates the Humblest Act"

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Verse 1

Love consecrates the humblest act and haloes mercy's deeds; it sheds a benediction sweet and hallows human needs.

Verse 2

When in the shadow of the cross Christ knelt and washed the feet of his disciples, he gave us a sign of love complete.

Verse 3

Love serves and willing stoops to serve; what Christ in love so true has freely done for one and all, let us now gladly do!

THE APOSTLES' CREED {Front Center} (Beth Angerhofer)

Screen

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 {Front Center} (Beth Angerhofer)

Screen

After each petition:

- L: Lord, in your mercy,
- C: Hear our prayer.
- +SHARING OF THE PEACE {Front Center} (Beth Angerhofer)
 - L: The peace of the Lord be with you all.
 - C: And also with you.
 - L: For all who are gathered, let us take a moment to welcome those around us with a greeting. For those of you online, please share a word of peace in the comment or chat. Most all as we go out into the world may we greet others as people of peace.

MEAL

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

+THE GREAT THANKSGIVING/DIALOGUE AND PREFACE (Rob)

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- L: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- L: Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift them to the Lord.
- L: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.
- C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- L: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace. And so with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

+HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (brief intro)

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C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might, heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

+WORDS OF INSTITUTION (Rob)

+THE LORD'S PRAYER (Rob)

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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, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION/ALL ARE WELCOME

COMMUNION SONG

"Lamb of God"

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C: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

TIME OF REFLECTION AND RESPONSE (On Screen)

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L: In this time of reflection and response you are invited to fill out your welcome card. Share any reflections, questions, or prayers on the back. Also, take this time to prepare your offering. For those gathered the collection plates are in the front and back. To give electronically there is a QR code in the bulletin. For those on-line please go to our website **stlukesbloomington.org** there is a link to give at the bottom of every page. Please email prayers to **office@stlukesbloomington.org**. Enjoy this time.

SPECIAL MUSIC

"The Holy Heart"

Anne Barbour/Marsha Skidmore

Soloist – Mollie Erickson

- +POST-COMMUNION BLESSING (Rob)
 - L: The body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
 - C: Amen.
- +POST-COMMUNION PRAYER {Front Center} (Rob)
 - L: We thank you, O God, that you have fed us at your banqueting table with bread and wine beyond compare, the very life of Christ for us. Send your Spirit with us now, that we may set the captive free, use our gifts to build one another up, and in everything reflect your glory revealed in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord
 - C: Amen.

SENDING

COUNCIL INTRODUCTION

Rani Hayden, Secretary

+BENEDICTION {Front Center} (Rob)

L: As we journey through Lent, may we walk your path that leads to life and invite others in the way of salvation. In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C: Amen.

+SENDING HYMN

"The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve"

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Verse 1

The Spirit sends us forth to serve; we go in Jesus' name to bring glad tidings to the poor, God's favor to proclaim.

Verse 2

We go to comfort those who mourn and set the burdened free; where hope is dim, to share a dream and help the blind to see. Verse 3

We go to be the hands of Christ, to scatter joy like seed and, all our days, to cherish life, to do the loving deed.

Verse 4

Then let us go to serve in peace, the gospel to proclaim. God's Spirit has empowered us; we go in Jesus' name.

+Dismissal {Back} (Rob)

L: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE "You Servants of God" David Cherwien

Altar Flowers Today Given by

Bette & Larry Gamboni
In celebration of Debby Rebischke's

Birthday.