Order of Worship

## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

10:00 am – March 7, 2021

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*Text your prayer requests to 805-309-6867 before the end of the first hymn.* 

**PRELUDE**Lenten Prelude
Tyler Carlisle, organ

Jonathan Battisill

WELCOME

**Hymn** *How Great Thou Art*CCLI / Streaming: 345977 / 20105371 / CCLI Song # 14181

1. O Lord my God! when I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds thy hand have made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, thy power throughout the universe displayed.

**Refrain**: Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee; how great thou art, how great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee; how great thou art, how great thou art!

- 2. When through the woods and forest glades I wander, and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees; when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur and hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze; (**Refrain**)
  - 3. And when I think that God, his Son not sparing, sent him to die, I scarce can take it in; that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, he bled and died to take away my sin; (**Refrain**)
  - 4. When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart. Then I shall bow in humble adoration, and there proclaim, my God, how great thou art! (Refrain)

#### **OPENING PRAYER**

Glorious God, as you call us to worship this day, we praise your name and join the heavens in proclaiming your glory. Speak to us through your words of scripture. Guide us with your wisdom, a treasure more precious than gold. Walk with us on this journey to the cross, that our steps may be steady and our way may be sure. In your holy name, we pray. Amen.

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HYMN The Old Rugged Cross
CCLI / Streaming: 345977 / 20105371 / CCLI Song # 19722

UMH 504

1. On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross, the emblem of suffering and shame; and I love that old cross where the dearest and best for a world of lost sinners was slain.

**Refrain:** So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, till my trophies at last I lay down; I will cling to the old rugged cross, and exchange it some day for a crown.

- 2. O that old rugged cross, so despised by the world, has a wondrous attraction for me; for the dear Lamb of God left his glory above to bear it to dark Calvary. (Refrain)
- 3. In that old rugged cross, stained with blood so divine, a wondrous beauty I see, for 'twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died, to pardon and sanctify me. (**Refrain**)
- 4. To that old rugged cross I will ever be true, its shame and reproach gladly bear; then he'll call me some day to my home far away, where his glory forever I'll share. (**Refrain**)

#### PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

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. Amen.

Tyler Carlisle, piano

SCRIPTURE Psalms 19: 1 Corinthians 1: 18-25 Fred Tomblin

The Word of God, for the People of God. Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Gracious and wise God, you give us the freedom to relate to you through the love and sacrifice of Jesus Christ. You empower us with the wisdom of your Spirit to proclaim our deliverance from evil through the power of the cross. We offer these gifts and our lives as symbols of our thanksgiving, praying that you will bless them and use them to proclaim the wonders of your love. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

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HYMN Go Forth for God UMH 670

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Go forth for God, go to the world in peace; be of good courage, armed with heavenly grace, in God's good Spirit daily to increase, till in the kingdom we see face to face.

Go forth for God, go to the world in peace.

Go forth for God, go to the world in love; strengthen the faint, give courage to the weak; help the afflicted; richly from above God's love supplies the grace and power we seek.

Go forth for God, go to the world in love.

Go forth for God, go to the world in strength; hold fast the good, be urgent for the right; render to no one evil; Christ at length shall overcome all darkness with His light.

Go forth for God, go to the world in strength.

Go forth for God, go to the world in joy; to serve God's people every day and hour, and serving Christ, our every gift employ, rejoicing in the Holy Spirit's power.

Go forth for God, go to the world in joy.

BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE**Table of Grace
Tyler Carlisle, organ

### **Prayer Requests**

Granada Hills: Knollwood UMC — Pastor Kalesita Tu'ifua

Palmdale First UMC — Pastor Jim White & Pastor Jon Gentry\*

Millie Downey — moving to South Carolina

Patrick Downey (great-nephew of Millie) — gastroesophageal cancer

Carol Hicks — recovery from hip surgery

Family and friends of Lois Bailey (mother of Glena) — passed away in home hospice this week

\*Special prayers for Pastor Jon and his wife, Cordy, whose first child will be born this month

# Communion—Sunday, 3/7 at 2:00 pm

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**Virtual Lenten Caravan — "Rest for the Journey"**Wednesdays at 6:30 PM
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