

Order of Worship
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT
9:30 am – April 3, 2022

Participating Live?

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

PRELUDE Paul Fey
Prelude on "There is a Green Hill Far Away"
Lance Crane, organ

WELCOME

HYMN UMH 172
My Jesus, I Love Thee
CCLI / Streaming: 345977 / 20105371 / CCLI Song # 27817

1. My Jesus, I love thee, I know thou art mine; for thee all the follies of sin I resign.
My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art thou; if ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.
2. I love thee because thou hast first loved me, and purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree;
I love thee for wearing the thorns on thy brow; if ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.
3. In mansions of glory and endless delight, I'll ever adore thee in heaven so bright;
I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow; if ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

OPENING PRAYER (unison) Bruce Miller, liturgist

Heavenly Father, today we gather at your feet to worship you with all that we have. We pray that the fragrance of our faith and our love and our commitment to your Son will waft through this world to bring others closer to you. Let us share everything of ourselves, knowing that there are no riches so great as to be in connection with you. Amen.

HYMN UMH 562
Jesus, Lord, We Look to Thee (verses 1-3)
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1. Jesus, Lord, we look to thee; let us in thy name agree;
show thyself the Prince of Peace, bid our strife forever cease.
2. By thy reconciling love every stumbling block remove;
each to each unite, endear; come, and spread thy banner here.
3. Make us of one heart and mind, gentle, courteous, and kind,
lowly, meek, in thought and word, altogether like our Lord.

PASTORAL PRAYER & 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.

SPECIAL MUSIC arr. H. Alexander Matthews
A Ballad of the Trees and Master
VFUMC Chancel Choir; Bob Riggs, interim director; Lance Crane, accompanist

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SCRIPTURE *John 12: 1-8 (NRSV)* Bruce Miller, liturgist
The Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE *Inseparably Linked* Jan Newton

LENTEN MUSICAL RESPONSE: *Nothing Can Trouble (2x)* TFWS 2054
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Nothing can trouble, nothing can frighten. Those who seek God shall never go wanting.
Nothing can trouble, nothing can frighten. God alone fills us. *(repeat)*

OFFERTORY PRAYER (unison)

Loving God, you give and give, and didn't think the life of your son was too high a price to pay for our salvation. Jesus' life was an example of sacrificial giving, all the way to the cross. As we give this day, we want our gifts to impact the world, but even more, we want them to bring glory to Christ, who lived and died for all your children. Help us to not hold back anything. We pray in the name of your son, our savior and redeemer, Amen. (adapted from UMCdiscipleship.org, ©2022)

HYMN *More Love to Thee, O Christ (verses 1-2)* UMH 453
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1. More love to thee, O Christ, more love to thee!
Hear thou the prayer I make on bended knee.
This is my earnest plea: More love, O Christ, to thee;
more love to thee, more love to thee!

2. Once earthly joy I craved, sought peace and rest;
now thee alone I seek, give what is best.
This all my prayer shall be: More love, O Christ, to thee;
more love to thee, more love to thee!

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *O Welt, ich muß dich lassen (O World, I Must Leave You)* Johannes Brahms
Lance Crane, organ

Prayer Request

First UMC of Pasadena—Pastor Amy Aitken & Pastor Greg Norton

First UMC of Reseda—Pastor Christian Jung

Betty Harris—home following hip surgery

Mark Rogers (friend of Bob Fierro) - home recovering from pneumonia