Order of Worship for The Third Sunday in Lent March 12, 2023

OPENING SONG "Front Seat, Back Seat"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

On this Sunday we gather for worship in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen!

> The peace of the Lord be with you always! And also with you!

> > KYRIE SONG "Kyrie Eleison"

PRAYER

Merciful God, the fountain of living water: You quench our spiritual thirst daily and wash away our sin. Give us Your living water always, through the inspiration of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

> HYMN "Baptized in Water" ELW 456

READING

Romans 5:1-5 Paul's letter to the Romans, chapter five, verses one through five. Paul writes:

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³ And not only that, but we also boast in our afflictions, knowing that affliction produces endurance, ⁴ and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵ and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

GOSPEL

John 4:5-30 The Gospel reading is from John, chapter four, verses five through thirty. John writes of Jesus:

⁵ So He came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. ⁶ Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by His journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon. ⁷A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give Me a drink." ⁸ (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.)⁹ The Samaritan woman said to Him, "How is it that You, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.)¹⁰ Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water." ¹¹ The woman said to Him, "Sir, You have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do You get that living water? ¹² Are You greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?"¹³ Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, ¹⁴ but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." ¹⁵ The woman said to Him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."

¹⁶ Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back." ¹⁷ The woman answered Him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband,' ¹⁸ for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!" ¹⁹ The woman said to Him, "Sir, I see that You are a prophet. ²⁰ Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but You say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem." ²¹ Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe Me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. ²² You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. ²³ But the hour is coming and is now here when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship Him. ²⁴ God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth." ²⁵ The woman said to Him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When He comes, He will proclaim all things to us." ²⁶ Jesus said to her, "I am He, the One who is speaking to you."

²⁷ Just then His disciples came. They were astonished that He was speaking with a woman, but no one said, "What do You want?" or, "Why are You speaking with her?" ²⁸ Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, ²⁹ "Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can He?" ³⁰ They left the city and were on their way to Him.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE "Pouring it On" Rev. David Hewitt

MESSAGE "Leaving Your Water Jug Behind" Rev. David Hewitt

SONG "Fill My Cup Lord"

OUR CONFESSION AND GOD'S FORGIVENESS

Let us confess our sins together to God, our Creator and Redeemer.

Gracious Lord, we are so grateful that we are loved by You, with an unconditional love. It is in that spirit that we come to You and confess our sins. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not fully loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have at times neglected Your Word. We ask for Your forgiveness, knowing, because of our faith in You, that we always have it, secure in the grace by which we are saved. Amen.

As a called and ordained minister of Word and Sacrament and by God's authority, I therefore declare to You the forgiveness of Your sins, in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Jesus Christ has covered all our sins by His atoning death on the cross; let us therefore be inspired by Christ to do God's will by the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen!

OFFERING

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> > HYMN "We Are and Offering" ELW 692

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH THE APOSTLES' CREED

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 THE CHURCH

During this time, we pray for all those who need God's blessings, and praise Him for the blessings He has bestowed upon us.

During the prayers, there will be a time of silence, when we offer our personal prayers to God.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

We prepare to receive the sacraments of Holy Communion, by remembering the words and actions of Jesus during the Last Supper.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven hallowed be Your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

> For the kingdom, the power and the glory are Yours now and forever. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION For those worshipping in-house, we invite you to come forward if you wish. If you prefer to take communion at your seat,

you may so.

For those joining us online,

If you are able, we invite you to take communion where you are, using whatever form of bread or drink is available to you, to symbolize the body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

Now, may the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, keep you in His grace and peace, now and forever. Amen!

HYMN "On Our Way Rejoicing" ELW 537

BENEDICTION

May the Lord bless you and keep you; May the Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; May the Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you God's peace; in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

ORGAN POSTLUDE

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