

MARCH 19, 2017

THE WORSHIP OF GOD
THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

10:45 AM

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

Jason W. Crosby

And also with you.

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Please take a moment to complete the section at the top of the insert, fold and tear it off at the perforation and put it in the offering plate. Or, you may share contact info or comments with us by sending a text message to 502-295-0285.

ENTRANCE INTO WORSHIP

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to God.

PRELUDE

O Rest in the Lord
Malinda Rawls, clarinet; Louie Bailey, organ

Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy
ELIJAH

O rest in the Lord, wait patiently for him, and he shall give thee thy heart's desires.

INVOCATION

If spoken in a language that is unfamiliar to you, worshippers are invited to silently pray for God's presence to be felt in hearts and minds through our worship.

*HYMN OF PRAISE 20

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

ODE TO JOY

*GOSPEL LESSON

John 4:5-30

So he came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon. A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) 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.) 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." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, 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." 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." Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!" The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. 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. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." 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." Jesus said

to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you." 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?" Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, "Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?" They left the city and were on their way to him.

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

EXTINGUISHING THE CANDLE

As Christ did, we are called into the wilderness during these forty days.

Help us to confront our mortality and the darkness within us and around us.

Unlike Christ, we confess unto You that we often choose that which is not You to comfort us.

Forgive us, O Lord, for being led into temptation, for turning away from the path before us lit by Your light.

Yet, the light of Christ's love and grace constantly abide with us as we go.

We give You thanks, O Lord, that when confess our failures unto you, you do not let us go and our pardon is assured.

MUSICAL REFLECTION

Kyrie

Antonin Dvorak, arr. Ruth Elaine Schram

Chancel Choir; June Bailey, conductor; Louie Bailey, piano; Malinda Rawls, clarinet *New World Symphony*

Kyrie, kyrie eleison. Christe, Christe eleison. Kyrie, kyrie eleison.

God, God have mercy. Christ, Christ have mercy. God, God have mercy.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Andrea V. Woolley

*HYMN OF ASSURANCE

The Water God Gives Us

FOUNDATION

The water God gives us in wondrous supply is water that's living and never runs dry.
For everyone drinks and is thirsty again, but God's living water gives life without end.

O God, we confess that we seek empty things; we strive after wealth and the comfort it brings.
We buy things in hopes that our spirits will soar yet still we are thirsty and left wanting more.

Then just like that woman who went to the well, we hear you, O Christ, and the truth that you tell.
You know who we are and you know what we've been; you know us and love us in spite of our sin.

The gift that you give is the greatest of wealth; you give living water! You give us yourself!
May we, like that woman, go back where we live and tell those we know of the life that you give.

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WORDS FOR THE JOURNEY

A LIVING GOD

Jason W. Crosby

DISCIPLINE OF SILENCE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE 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.

MUSICAL OFFERING

If with All Your Hearts

Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy

Malinda Rawls, clarinet; Louie Bailey, organ

ELIJAH

If with all your heart ye truly seek me, you shall ever surely find me, thus saith our God.

*LENTEN DOXOLOGY

What Wondrous Love Is This

WONDROUS LOVE

To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing, to God and to the Lamb I will sing!

To God and to the Lamb, who is the great "I AM," while millions join the theme I will sing,

I will sing, while millions join the theme, I will sing! Amen.

Appalachian folk hymn, 1811

*INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND COMMUNITY

We gladly welcome all who desire to unite with the community of faith at Crescent Hill Baptist Church to come forward during the Hymn of Response and share that decision with the minister.

*HYMN OF RESPONSE 447

O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

EBENEZER

BENEDICTION

Jason W. Crosby

SILENCE

POSTLUDE

Then Shall the Righteous Shine Forth
Malinda Rawls, clarinet; Louie Bailey, organ

Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy
ELIJAH

Then, then shall the righteous shine forth in their heavenly Father's realm.
Joy on their heads shall be for everlasting.

* Worshipers are invited to rise, in body or spirit.

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- We invite those who wish to be baptized or join the church to share that decision with the church near the conclusion of worship. However, if you are uncomfortable doing that but would like to explore baptism or church membership, the ministers would be glad to discuss those decisions with you following worship.
- Cover: The RUSSIAN Cross – This cross is also known as the Eastern Cross. The topmost arm represents the inscription placed over Christ's head giving the charge "...This is Jesus, King of the Jews..." The bar on the bottom probably is one arm of a superimposed St. Andrew's Cross. By tradition, the apostle St. Andrew was the first Christian missionary to Russia.