

APRIL 2, 2017

THE WORSHIP OF GOD
FIFTH 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

Reflections on the Cross

Louie Bailey

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.

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*HYMN OF PRAISE 93 (1/18 009)

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

DIADEM

*GOSPEL LESSON

John 11:1-45

Barb Kibler

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him." When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world." When

she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go." Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in 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 abides 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.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Andrea V. Woolley

*HYMN OF LENT 678

In the Bulb There Is a Flower

PROMISE

MUSICAL OFFERING

Gethsemane
Joseph Collum as Jesus

Andrew Lloyd Webber
JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR

*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.

SERVICE OF COMMUNION

Beginning with those seated at the back of the sanctuary, when signaled by an usher, proceed to the communion station by way of the nearest center aisle, and return to your seat by way of the nearest side aisle. Those in the balcony may walk toward the upstairs piano to receive the bread and cup. If you are unable to come forward, please raise your hand and someone will serve you.

COMMUNION MEDITATION

He Comes to Us

Jane M. Marshall

Chancel Choir; June Bailey, conductor; Louie Bailey, piano

He comes to us as One unknown, without a name, as of old,
 By the lakeside He came, He came unto those who knew Him not.
 He speaks to us, He speaks the same word; "Follow! Follow thou me."
 And sets us to the tasks which He has to fulfill for our time.
 He commands. And to those who obey Him, whether they be wise or simple,
 He will reveal Himself in the toils, the conflicts,
 The sufferings which they shall pass through in His fellowship,
 And, as an ineffable mystery, they shall learn, who He is.
 O Morning Star, how fair and bright! Thou beamest forth in truth and light! O Sovereign meek and lowly.
 Thou Root of Jesse, David's Son, my Lord and Master, Thou has won my heart to serve Thee solely!
 Thou art holy, fair and glorious, all victorious, rich in blessing, rule and might o'er all possessing.

Albert Schweitzer, *The Quest of the Historical Jesus*

DISCIPLINE OF SILENCE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Andrea V. Woolley

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.

*HYMN OF RESPONSE 523 (1st JJ?)*Trust and Obey*

TRUST AND OBEY

BENEDICTION

Jason W. Crosby

SILENCE

POSTLUDE

Morning Reflections

Louie Bailey

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

A benevolence offering which is used for special needs among church members and persons in our community will be taken at the doors following worship.

The rosebuds celebrate the birth of Deborah Shee and Zipporah Shee, daughters of Ta Lay Shee and Mu Ku Ku.

- We welcome as guest soloist Joseph Collum, junior at Highlands Latin School, who recently played the role of Jesus in *Jesus Christ Superstar* WITH THE Sacred Heart School for the Arts and the Louisville Youth Choir.

- CDs of today's service may be ordered through the church office.
- Texts are reprinted by permission of CCLI License 1801331 and One License A718444.
- 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 CHI RHO Cross** – This cross was created by combining the first two letters of the Greek word for Christ. In that day the pain and shame of the cross was too immediate for most people to use the sign openly. Legend has it that Constantine saw this cross in the sky along with the words: "Under this sky, conquer." The CHI RHO became the emblem of Constantine to signify that his reign was under Christ. Constantine eventually abolished the cross as a form of execution because the Lord had died upon a cross. Another interpretation of the CHI RHO is based on the Latin phrase, *Christus Rex*, meaning "Christ the King."