

4th Sunday of Lent
March 27, 2022 — 10:30 am Service
Order of Worship
FM Frequency 99.3
Text: 419-482-8227

Invocation

L: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

A: Amen.

Prayer of the Week

Merciful God, You call us to follow; to turn away from our own selfish interests, and to take up our cross and follow You, even if the path is difficult to see, or is heading in a direction we would never have chosen for ourselves. Teach us to follow without fear, knowing that You are always with us, leading the way. AMEN.

Hymn: The Lion And The Lamb

He's coming on the clouds Kings and kingdoms will bow down And every chain will break As broken hearts declare His praise For who can stop the Lord Almighty

Our God is the Lion
The Lion of Judah
He's roaring with power
And fighting our battles
And every knee will bow before Him

Our God is the Lamb
The lamb that was slain
For the sins of the world
His blood breaks the chains

And every knee will bow Before the Lion and the Lamb Every knee will bow before Him

So open the gates
Make way before the King of kings
The God who comes to save
Is here to set the captives free
For who can stop the Lord Almighty

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Scripture Reading: 2 Samuel 12:1-7

"And the LORD sent Nathan to David. He came to him and said to him, 'There were two men in a certain city, the one rich and the other poor. The rich man had very many flocks and herds, but the poor man had nothing but one little ewe lamb, which he had bought. And he brought it up, and it grew up with him and with his children. It used to eat of his morsel and drink from his cup and lie in his arms, and it was like a daughter to him. Now there came a traveler to the rich man, and he was unwilling to take one of his own flock or herd to prepare for the guest who had come to him, but he took the poor man's lamb and prepared it for the man who had come to him.' Then David's anger was greatly kindled against the man, and he said to Nathan, 'As the LORD lives, the man who has done this deserves to die, and he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity.' Nathan said to David, 'You are the man!'"

1 Peter 4:15-17

"But let none of you suffer as a murderer or a thief or an evildoer or as a meddler. Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in that name. For it is time for judgment to begin at the household of God; and if it begins with us, what will be the outcome for those who do not obey the gospel of God?"

Matthew 23:12-29

"Whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles himself will be exalted. 'But woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you shut the kingdom of heaven in people's faces. For you neither enter yourselves nor allow those who would enter to go in. Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you travel across sea and land to make a single proselyte, and when he becomes a proselyte, you make him twice as much a child of hell as yourselves.

Woe to you, blind guides, who say, 'If anyone swears by the temple, it is nothing, but if anyone swears by the gold of the temple, he is bound by his oath.' You blind fools! For which is greater, the gold or the temple that has made the gold sacred? And you say, 'If anyone swears by the altar, it is nothing, but if anyone swears by the gift that is on the altar, he is bound by his oath.' You blind men! For which is greater, the gift or the altar that makes the gift sacred? So whoever swears by the altar swear by it and by everything on it. And whoever swears by the temple swears by it and by him who dwells in it. And whoever swears by heaven swears by the throne of God and by him who sits upon it.

Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you tithe mint and dill and cumin, and have neglected the weightier matters of the lay: justice and mercy and faithfulness. These you ought to have done, without neglecting the others. You blind guides, straining out a gnat and swallowing a camel! Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you clean the outside of the cup and the plate, but inside they are full of greed and self-indulgence. You blind Pharisee! First clean the inside of the cup and the plate, that the outside also may be clean.

Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you are like whitewashed tombs, which outwardly appear beautiful, but within are full of dead people's bones and all uncleanness. So you also outwardly appear righteous to others, but within you are full of hypocrisy and lawlessness. Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you build the tombs of the prophets and decorate the monuments of the righteous."

Scripture Closing

L. This is the Word of the Lord.

A. Thanks be to God!

Song: Holy Spirit

There's nothing worth more, That could ever come close No thing can compare You're our living hop Your presence Lord

I've tasted and seen
Of the sweetest of loves
Where my heart becomes free
And my shame is undone
Your presence Lord

Holy Spirit You are welcome here Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere Your glory God is what our hearts long for To be overcome by Your presence Lord Your presence Lord

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Apostle's Creed

ALL: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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.

Corporate Prayer

We pray together prayers of:

Adoration

Confession

Thanksgiving

Supplication

Confession and Forgiveness

- L: Let us prepare our hearts and minds to receive the Lord's Supper. Most merciful God,
- A: We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.
- L: The Holy Scriptures proclaim that God is "...gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love." Be assured that on account of Christ Jesus and His sacrifice on the Cross, God forgives you all your sins.
- A: Amen.

- L: With the Saints of every generation, we proclaim the church's ancient song:
- A: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again, Amen. Come Lord Jesus!

Words Of Institution

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 and ever. Amen.

Communion

Post Communion Blessing

- L: (Please stand and join with those close to you. . .) May the body and the blood of our Lord Jesus, now in you, strengthen you in body and preserve you in faith to life everlasting.
- A: Amen.
- L: O give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
- A: and his mercy endures forever. Amen.

Benediction

- L: The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift his countenance upon you and give you peace.
- A: Amen.

Go In Peace

- L: Go in peace, Read the word, Serve the Lord.
- A: Thanks be to God!

Closing Song: My Testimony

I saw satan fall like lightning
I saw darkness run for cover
But the miracle that I just can't get over
My name is registered in heaven

I believe in signs and wonders
I have resurrection power
Still the miracle that I just can't get over
My name is registered in heaven
My praise belongs to you forever

This is my testimony from death to life 'Cause grace rewrote my story, I'll testify By Jesus Christ the Righteous, I'm justified This is my testimony, this is my testimony

Come together sons and daughters Bought with blood and washed in water Sing the praises of the Spirit, Son, and Father Our God will finish what He started Our God will finish what He started

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If I'm not dead, You're not done Greater things are still to come, oh I believe

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