

# 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday In Lent 2019

## THE GATHERING

Ringing the 1887 Bell

Carillon Processional

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude "Holy Spirit, Truth Divine" arr. Mark Dorian

\* Call to Worship

One: Everyone who thirsts:

**All: Come to the waters, seek the Lord, repent and return so that you may live.**

One: All who are hungry for righteousness:

**All: Come to the waters, seek the Lord, repent and return so that you may live.**

One: All who need the help of God:

**All: Come to the waters, seek the Lord, repent and return so that you may live.**

\* Opening Hymn "There's A Cry" Robin Mark  
(see projection)

Prayer of the Day (unison)

Your glory and power, O God, surround us in the sanctuary. We lift up our hands and call on your name. We are your people, thirsty for the living water you alone can give. When we consider how you have helped us, giving us a spring that gushes up to eternal life, we cling to you, singing praises with joyful lips; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Call to Confession

One: The Scriptures call us to turn from sinful ways and return to God, who offers mercy and pardon. Trusting in that mercy, let us call upon God who is near.

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Holy God, we confess that we have grown complacent in our response to you. You set before us a rich feast of blessing, but we are drawn to lesser things that cannot satisfy. You call us to attend to urgent needs in the world, but we indulge in our own desires. Our ways are not your ways; our thoughts do not ascend to your thoughts. Forgive us when we fall short of your claim upon our lives. Disturb our complacency and quicken our desire for a more fruitful life. Be patient, we pray, as we amend who we are, in the hope of becoming who you intend us to be. We ask this in the name of our Savior, your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

One: God's love is sure and steadfast, always providing a way out, a way through, a way back to God.

**All: Through the waters of baptism, we have died with Christ and are raised with him. With gratitude, in faith, we will walk the way of Christ.**

\* Response #581 Gloria Patri

\* The Passing of the Peace

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.** (Take a moment to greet each other with the peace of Christ)

\* Hymn #487 "These Treasured Children" vs. #2

Time for Young Disciples

Rev. Meggan Farwell

**All: You're beautiful! God loves you! And we love you too!**

## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination (unison)

We see you in your word, O God, as though we are searching for water in a dry and weary land. By the power of your Holy Spirit, may this word be to us a rich feast, satisfying the soul. Then with our mouths, we will praise you; and with our lives, we will bless you, our Host and our Hope. Amen.

First Reading Isaiah 55:1-9 Pew Bible – OT p.685

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Church Steps Anthem "Fly Like An Eagle" Steve Miller

Second Reading Luke 13:1-9 Pew Bible – NT p.76

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon "Feeding God's Children" Rev. Dr. Luke Farwell

## THE RESPONSE TO THE WORD

\* Affirmation of Faith Apostles' Creed Hymnal, pg. 35

\* Hymn #300 "We Are One in the Spirit"

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\* Please stand as you are able

**Bold type** indicates text to be spoken or song to be sung by the congregation.

## Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

### Offering

**Musical Offertory** "Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love" arr. Mark Sedio

\* **Doxology #609**

\* **Prayer of Dedication (unison)**

God of wilderness and Promised Land, in days of want and in days of plenty you have been with us. By these gifts we now share, may others know of your providence and care. Send us-not only our offerings, but our very selves-to console and comfort, to lift up and reach out, to listen and sit beside your children everywhere at the one Table you have set: through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### THE SENDING OUT

\* **Closing Hymn #292** "As the Wind Song"

\* **Charge & Benediction**

\* **Postlude** "Here I Am, Lord" arr. Mark Hayes



*Following worship, deacons will be available to pray with you  
in the prayer room if needed.*

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Our beautiful chancel flowers this morning are given by the Deacons.

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### Assisting in Worship This Morning

**Greeters:** Tom & Beth Paulson

**Liturgist:** Becky Nyberg

**Acolytes:** Ava Mehlberg & Rhett Mehlberg

**Ushers:** Anneliese Waggoner, Sharon Carpiaux, Judy England & Barb Ryan

**Organist:** Julie Mackey

**Church Steps Director:** Ted Huebbe

**Elder of the Month:** Brian Lindow

**Deacons of the Month:** Lou Seiler & Dan Hamersky

**Tech Crew:** Mark Young, Ted Huebbe, Steve Marks & Joe Williams

**Fellowship:** Barb Ryan

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