

March 3, 2024

Order of Worship
Third Sunday in Lent

10:15am

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

• Call to Worship

We gather together as God calls us to worship.

We have journeyed this far, and we pause in gratitude.

O Lord, hear our thanks as our hearts dance and voices sing.

Lead us in worship this day!

• Invocation

• Sounds of Faith: #681 - This Is the Day the Lord Hath Made

• Prayer of Confession

Jesus knows our every weakness! Let us take them to the Lord in prayer!

Beloved God, you call us to stop and to be, finding joy where we are.

You show us the beauty of the sky above, the firmness of the earth below.

Yet we are often so busy with the things of this world

that we fail to notice the beauty of your creation.

We fail to see that it is a witness to the love of the cross of Christ.

Forgive us, Lord. Help us to open our eyes and ears to your witness in the world! Amen.

We are saved by grace in Christ! If God is for us, what can be against us?

Let us take heart, and know that our sins are forgiven.

• Congregational Response: #604 - Lamb of God

Children's Message: Leanne Terry

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading: Exodus 20:1-17, Liturgist ~ Mike Terry

Then God spoke all these words:

I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of

parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

*You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor. The Word of the Lord; **thanks be to God.***

Choir Anthem: Follow Jesus

Scripture Reading: I Corinthians 1:18-25

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

"I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart."

*Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength. The Word of the Lord; **thanks be to God.***

Meditation: Dr. Paul Casner

• Sounds of Hope: #293 - Loving Spirit

• Affirmation of Faith (The Apostles' Creed)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost; born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven; and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the

dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Giving and Offertory

- Doxology

The Lord’s Supper

Pastoral Prayers, the Lord’s Prayer:

... Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed by 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

- Sounds of Love: #826 - Lift High the Cross

- Benediction

Postlude

The (●) dot in the order of worship invites you to stand as you are able. Text in **bold indicates unison reading.



Today – Hunger & Help Offering to benefit W.O.W.

March 6 – Book Group 1:30pm, Logos 5:30pm, Agape 6pm (Joint dinner and fun with Logos!) sign up for dinner at the back of the sanctuary!), Choir 7:30pm (No Logos/Agape on 3/13, 3/20, 3/27 due to Spring Break and Holy Week).

March 12 – Dot New Circle, 10am

March 18 – Bluegrass Slow Jam, 7pm (community event)

March 28 – Maundy Thursday (soup & salad dinner at 6pm, service at 6:45pm)

March 29 – Good Friday Service, 6:30pm

March 31 – Easter, 10:15am

Pastoral Care Team: Chairs - Tina O'Connor and Joy Roark; Members - Velma Bartley, Janet Bengé, Melanie Caskey, Malee Cherry, Rose Christian, Ann Cox, Charlene Dodson, Diane Ingram, Grace Lewis, Ann Marie McFarland, Betty Polk, Leanne Terry, Jim & Ruth White, Kim Yearwood, Jill York

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2. Online at donelsonpres.org – Click the “Giving” tab on the homepage
3. Text DPCGIVE and any amount to 73256

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We warmly welcome all who have come to worship with us today. If you are a guest at Donelson Presbyterian Church, we encourage you to fill out a yellow visitor card which you will find in the pew.

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