



March 17, 2024

Fifth Sunday in Lent

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

During the Prelude, you are invited to meditate on the Psalm of the Day as you prepare your hearts and minds for worship.

Prelude

"Plein jeu" from the *Kyrie* of the *Messe pour les paroisses*
(*Mass for the Parishes*)
Francois Couperin (1668-1733)

Ruth Pfister, Organ

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 103:10-13

he does not treat us as our sins deserve
or repay us according to our iniquities.
For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
so great is his love for those who fear him;
as far as the east is from the west,
so far has he removed our transgressions from us.
As a father has compassion on his children,
so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him;

Welcome and Gathering Prayer

Rev. Mark van Stee

Introit

"Come, Worship the Lord"
Earlene Rentz

IPC Singers
Chandler Cudlipp, Director

*Call to Worship

Ingrid Käser

Leader: All glorious God, we worship you, we give you thanks;

People: in your Son, Jesus Christ, you have given us every spiritual blessing.

Leader: You chose us to be your holy people, you adopted us as your children.

People: You have set us free by his blood; you have forgiven our sins.

Leader: You have given us your Holy Spirit, the seal and pledge of our inheritance.

People: All praise and glory be yours, O God! (based on Ephesians 1:3-18)

*Hymn of Praise #477 "Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim"

Words: Charles Wesley, 1744; Music: Attr. William Croft, 1708

Prayer of Confession

Nathan Wannemacher

Leader: Holy and merciful Father, we confess in your presence our sins.

People: We are so often quick to do evil, and slow to do good. You alone know how often we have sinned, in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love.

Leader: Have mercy on us Lord.

Assurance of God's Pardon

People: "Blessed is the one whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. Blessed is the one whose sin the LORD does not count against them and in whose spirit is no deceit." (Psalm 32:1)

Leader: Believe the good news of the gospel, in Jesus Christ you are forgiven! All thanks be to God!

God's Will for Our Lives

Leader: Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ.

People: To him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen. (1 Peter 4:10-11)

***Gloria Patri #579 "Glory Be to the Father"**

Words: Henry W. Greatorex, 1851; Tune: *Gloria Patri*

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Prayer of Illumination

"Thy Word Is a Lamp"

Howard Nelson

IPC Singers

Old Testament Reading

Psalm 51:1-9 (p. 573)

Ingrid Käser

Meditation

"Love Bade Me Welcome" from *Five Mystical Songs*

Randal Turner, Baritone

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958); Poem by George Herbert Ruth Pfister, Organ

New Testament Reading

John 13: 1-17 (p. 1081)

Sermon

"The Making of a Disciple: Peter Gets His Feet Washed"

Rev. Mark van Stee

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

***Hymn of Response** (Insert) "The Servant Song"

Words and music: Richard Gillard (b. 1953); harm. Betty Pulkingham (b. 1929)

Prayer of Dedication of Tithes & Offerings

Jean-Claude Gottraux, Council Chair

Offertory

Antiphon from *Five Mystical Songs*

Ralph Vaughan Williams; Poem by George Herbert

Randal Turner, Baritone

Ruth Pfister, Organ

***Doxology**

#592 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Words: Thomas Ken, 1695, 1709; Music: Genevan Psalter, 1551

Prayers of the People

Jean-Claude Gottraux

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.

GOING WITH GOD'S MISSION AND BLESSING

Welcoming of Guests

Jean-Claude Gottraux

Announcements

***Hymn of Dedication** #391 "Take My Life"

Words: Frances Ridley Havergal, 1874; Music: H. A. César Malan, 1827

***Sending and Pastoral Benediction**

Rev. Mark van Stee

Choral Benediction

"Amen"

Philip E. Baker

IPC Singers

Postlude

Fantasy in C Major BWV 570

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685 – 1750)

Ruth Pfister, Organ

Please remain quietly seated during the postlude. For those who need to leave, please do so quietly.

***Please stand if you are able.**

Today's bulletin cover features "Christ Washing the Disciples' Feet" (1500) by Giovanni Agostino da Lodi. (https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Accademia_-_Lavanda_dei_piedi_di_Giovanni_Agostino_da_Lodi.jpg)