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ORDER FOR WORSHIP THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

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PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Put aside the distractions of this world,
stand in awe before God's love,

Prepare to worship in sincerity and faithfulness
the Lord Jesus we will serve,

and His voice we will trust and obey,
that generations to come may know God.

HYMN – “Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty”

**Praise ye the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, Now to His temple draw near;
Join me in glad adoration!**

**Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth.
Shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen How thy desires e'er have been
Granted in what he ordaineth?**

**Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him!
Let the amen Sound from His people again;
Gladly for aye we adore Him.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

**Merciful God, we confess that 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 and mind and strength.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We have been a fearful people, not trusting your sovereign love for us.
In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. AMEN**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE TO PARDON – “Gloria Patri”

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. AMEN, AMEN.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE – Judges 11:29-33

SCRIPTURE – Matthew 26:26-35

HOMILY – Pastor Lorenz

HYMN – “When Peace Like a River”

**When peace like a river, attendeth my way, When sorrows like sea billows roll –
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say, It is well, it is well with my soul.
It is well (It is well) with my soul (with my soul), It is well, it is well with my soul.**

**Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, I let this blest assurance control:
that Christ has regarded my helpless estate, and has shed his own blood for my soul.
It is well (It is well) with my soul (with my soul), It is well, it is well with my soul.**

**My sin – O the joy of this glorious thought – My sin, not in part, but the whole,
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more: Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
It is well (It is well) with my soul (with my soul), It is well, it is well with my soul.**

**And, Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight, The clouds be rolled back as a scroll.
The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend, ‘Even so’ – it is well with my soul.
It is well (It is well) with my soul (with my soul), It is well, it is well with my soul.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD’S PRAYER

THE APOSTLES’ CREED (traditional)

**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.**

OFFERING REMINDER

HYMN – “He Leadeth Me, O Blessed Thought”

**He leadeth me, O blessed thought! O words with heav’nly comfort fraught!
What’e’er I do, where-e’er I be, Still ‘tis God’s hand that leadeth me.
He leadeth me, He leadeth me, By His own hand He leadeth me;
His faithful follower I would be, For by His hand He leadeth me.**

**Sometimes 'mid scenes of deepest gloom, Sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom,
By waters calm, o'er troubled sea, Still 'tis His hand that leadeth me.
He leadeth me, He leadeth me, By His own hand He leadeth me;
His faithful follower I would be, For by His hand He leadeth me.**

**Lord, I would clasp Thy hand in mind, Nor ever murmur nor repine;
Content whatever lot I see, Since 'tis my God that leadeth me.
He leadeth me, He leadeth me, By His own hand He leadeth me;
His faithful follower I would be, For by His hand He leadeth me.**

**And when my task on earth is done, When by Thy grace the vic-t'ry's won,
E'en death's cold wave I will not flee, Still God through Jordan leadeth me.
He leadeth me, He leadeth me, By His own hand He leadeth me;
His faithful follower I would be, For by His hand He leadeth me.**

BENEDICTION

CLOSING RESPONSE – “God Be With You ‘Til We Meet Again”

**God be with you till we meet again; Loving counsels guide, uphold you,
with a Shepherd's care enfold you: God be with you till we meet again.**



The flowers in the sanctuary today are presented by the Faith Circle Women
to the glory of God and in loving memory of Peg Southall.

Today's Worship Service Participants are:
The Rev. Anthony D. Lorenz, Minister
Mr. Arthur Thompson, Organ
Ms. Kari Kornish, Vocal
Mr. Joe Shane, Camera