



FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 17, 2024

10:00 am

We are experimenting with **NOT** standing for hymns and responses during Lent.

Bold indicates congregational response.

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

THE LENTEN CANDLES

Joe and Kay Hunnings

Loving God, we open our hearts to you. We invite you into our inmost being, only to find you already there. Strengthen us in our quiet places and then lead us into the work of justice and peace. Amen.

Instrumental Music

Northside Handchimes Choir

PRAYER OF PRAISE

HYMN

“Beneath the Cross of Jesus”

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CONFESSION OF SIN (UNISON)

Redeeming God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart, and have not loved our neighbors as we ought; we have strayed from your commandments. Do not remember our sins, but forgive us, that we may fix our eyes on you and sin no more, through Christ our Lord.

(silence)

**Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy.
Lord have mercy. Kyrie Eleison. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON/PASSING OF THE PEACE* 221

**What language shall I borrow
to thank thee, dearest friend,
for this thy dying sorrow, thy pity without end?
O make me thine forever; and should I fainting be,
Lord, let me never, never outlive my love to thee.**

THE WORD WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH

EPISTLE – Jeremiah 31:31-34

Kay Hunnings

OFFERING OF MUSIC

Adult Choir

“Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God”

GOSPEL – John 12:20-33

SERMON

Dr. Linda Dickerson

“Seeing Jesus”

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*The Lord be with you. And also with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

... Holy, holy, holy, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

**... Christ has died, Christ has risen,
Christ will come again.**

... 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 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.

Sharing of Bread and Cup

Prayer after communion: **Gracious God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ. May we, who share his body, live his risen life; we, who drink his cup, bring life to others; we, whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so that we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

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**God, be the love to search and keep me;
God, be the prayer to move my voice;
God, be the strength to now uphold me:
O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.**

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES

*To those who are weary and need rest;
To all who are lonely and need friends;
To all who mourn and need comfort;
To all who pray,
and to all who do not, but ought;
To all who sin and need a Savior,
And to whosoever comes –
The Church opens wide its doors, and
says,
In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,
"Welcome."*