WE ENTER GOD’S PRESENCE

PRELUDE  “My Jesus Calls to Me” Op. 122, No. 1  Johannes Brahms
          Todd Fickley, organ

CHIMES

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP  Dr. David Renwick

Psalm 46: 1-7 in unison

1 God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
2 Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,
   though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;
   3 though its waters roar and foam,
      though the mountains tremble with its tumult.
4 There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
      the holy habitation of the Most High.
5 God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved;
      God will help it when the morning dawns.
6 The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts.
7 The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge

HYMN  O Worship the King, All Glorious Above  Lyons

1. O worship the King, all glorious above
   O gratefully sing God’s power and God’s love
   Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days
   Pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise
2. O tell of God’s might, O sing of God’s grace
   Whose robe is the light and canopy space;
   The chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form
   And bright is God’s path on the wings of the storm.
5. Frail children of dust and feeble as frail
   In thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail
   Thy mercies how tender how firm to the end
   Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer and Friend.

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION OF SINS  Dr. Joyce Emery

Almighty God, recognizing your great majesty, we humbly come to worship you.
We come into your house depending only on the multitude of your mercies,
   for you alone dwell in the beauty of perfect holiness.
Hear our prayer as we call to you, and hold up our hands towards your mercy-seat.
Let your eyes be open and your ears attentive to the confessions which your servants lift to you;
   for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

from Lancelot Andrewes, 1553-1626, Anglican Bishop, translator of the King James Bible

SILENT CONFESSION AND KYRIE

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.
ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Believe the good news of the Gospel. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

LENTEN RESPONSE

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases — God’s mercies never come to an end;
They are new every morning, new every morning.
Great is your faithfulness, O Lord, great is your faithfulness.

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

SCRIPTURE

Dr. Emery


1. Jesus Teaches Every Day as Normal

37 Every day Jesus was teaching in the temple, and at night he would go out and spend the night on the Mount of Olives, as it was called.
38 And all the people would get up early in the morning to listen to him in the temple.

2. Judas Succumbs to Evil which is Real

22:1 Now the festival of Unleavened Bread, which is called the Passover, was near. 2The chief priests and the scribes were looking for a way to put Jesus to death, for they were afraid of the people.
3Then Satan entered into Judas called Iscariot, who was one of the twelve; 4he went away and conferred with the chief priests and officers of the temple police about how he might betray him to them. 5They were greatly pleased and agreed to give him money. 6So he consented and began to look for an opportunity to betray him to them when no crowd was present.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

Rev. Donna Marsh

“One Great Hour: Fish Boxes”

SERMON

Dr. Renwick


3. Jesus Himself Became Anxious.

4. Jesus responds to Anxiety by Praying, and Calls his Followers to Pray

39 Jesus came out and went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives; and the disciples followed him. 40When he reached the place, he said to them, “Pray that you may not come into the time of trial.” 41Then he withdrew from them about a stone’s throw, knelt down, and prayed, 42 “Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me; yet, not my will but yours be done.” 43Then an angel from heaven appeared to him and gave him strength. 44In his anguish he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down on the ground. 45When he got up from prayer, he came to the disciples and found them sleeping because of grief, 46and he said to them, “Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray that you may not come into the time of trial.”

Romans 8: 28, 38-39

28 All things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose... 38 Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, 39 nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God... Philippians 4:6-7

Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.
WE Respond to God’s Grace and Call

RESPONSE
He Will Hold Me Fast
Matt Merker

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast. When the tempter would prevail, he will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold through life’s fearful path, for my love is often cold; he must hold me fast
He will hold me fast, for my Savior loves me so, he will hold me fast.
Through the dangers of the night, Christ will hold me fast; precious in his holy sight, he will hold me fast.
He’ll not let my soul be lost; his promises shall last; bought by him at such a cost, he will hold me fast.
For my life he bled and died, Christ will hold me fast; justice has been satisfied; he will hold me fast.
For my life he bled and died, Christ will hold me fast; justice has been satisfied; he will hold me fast.
Raised with him to endless life, he will hold me fast ‘till our faith is turned to sight, when he comes at last!

Joanna Zorack Greene and Ethan Greene with Jeanne Su, violin

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH
Apostles’ Creed
Dr. Quinn Fox

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.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER
Rev. Marsh

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 is from evil. For thine is the
kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS
Watching online? Please Explore Giving Online!
A Lenten Walk
Hal Hopson

Jesus walked this lonesome valley, he had to walk it by himself; O nobody else could walk it for him,
he had to walk it by himself. Jesus bore betrayal’s cunning, he had to bear it by himself; O nobody else could
bear it for him, he had to bear it by himself. We must take our cross and follow; we must follow by ourselves;
O nobody else can follow for us, we must follow by ourselves.

DOXOLOGY
Old Hundredth

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION
Dr. Fox

HYMN
What a Friend We Have in Jesus
Converse

1. What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry everything to God in prayer.
2. Have we trials or temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?
   There’s no need to be discouraged; take it to the Lord in prayer.
   Can we find a friend so faithful, who will all our sorrows share?
   Jesus knows our every weakness: Take it to the Lord in prayer.

3. Are we weak and heavy laden, burdened with a load of care?
   Precious Savior, still our refuge, take it to the Lord in prayer.
   He will never e’er forsake you, take it to the Lord in prayer!
   In his arms he’ll take and shield you; you will find true solace there.

J. M. Scriven (alt)

BENEDICTION AND PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Dr. Renwick

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