

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 6, 2016

10:00 a.m.

This service is being broadcast over radio station WATN 1240

* Indicates that those who are able may stand.

GATHERING

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Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus

Faith of Our Fathers

Prelude in C with Fairest Lord Jesus

Carl Bingle, FPC Organist

arr. Jason Payne

arr. Gordon Young

J. S. Bach, arr. G. Smith

GREETING

Peace be with you.

And also with you.

PRELUDE

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness Kentucky Harmony, 1820, arr. A.L. Page

HANDBELL INTROIT

Jesus Shall Reign

Beginning bells

Traditional

CALL TO WORSHIP ~ adapted from Psalm 32

Leader: Blessed are those who find forgiveness;
Blessed are the ones who abide in mercy.
Joy comes to those without blame;
Joyful are they who speak the truth.

People: **Guilt ruins both body and soul;**
The weight of wrong brings the spirit low.
There is no relief without waters of baptism;
Only in confession do we find freedom.
Let the faithful offer persistent prayers;
Let distress abate with the power of hope.
You are a hiding place for the abandoned;
You preserve the lost from trouble.
You surround me with glad cries of deliverance.
Many are the woes of the wicked,
But steadfast love is a wall of faith.
Be glad in the Lord and rejoice.
Let us shout for joy and lift up our hearts.



THIS WEEK

- March 6 JoAnn Tousant
- March 6 Carol Murray
- March 7 Judy George
- March 7 Shirley Parker
- March 8 Cassandra Elmer
- March 9 Jean Bach
- March 9 Diane Davidian
- March 11 Martha Adams



Arlene Wilson, Shane McWayne, Gerda Barbour, and for the sick and those who need God's comfort.

Prayers of Sympathy and Condolence to the Family of Irene Kolton, who died on February 29, 2016.

Prayer Help Available. Please call the church office at 782-1750 if you have a prayer request. Your confidential prayer request will be put on the First Pres. Prayer Chain. Only those requesting public prayers are included for prayers in our church bulletin.

Mission Statement

Seeking God's help, we will pursue growth and renewal as a united Christian body. We will nurture people within our church and provide Christian leadership and care throughout our community.

***HYMN #366**

Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me

ST. CATYERINE

INVITATION TO REPENTANT PRAYERS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

How many excuses do we make to keep repentance at bay? How much worry do we heap upon each day? Can we ever live in freedom without dread? Forgive the sins we excuse; forgive the faith we forsake; forgive the chains we keep. Let us speak with the confidence of grace and trust the mercy of your Son. Amen.

PRIVATE CONFSSIONAL PRAYERS

WORDS OF COMFORT AND FORGIVENESS

. . . in Jesus Christ you are forgiven.

In Jesus Christ you are also forgiven.

***GLORY BE TO THE FATHER**

Gloria Patri - Hymnal 579

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.

LITURGIST WELCOME

THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Psalm 27:7-14 (Old Testament, page 502-504 in pew Bibles)

CHILDREN’S TIME

(At this time we invite all K-7th graders to join us for Sunday School, please have children follow the teacher thru the door on the left. Children will meet parents in Fellowship Hall after the service.)

Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so;

Little ones to Him belong; they are weak, but He is strong.

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!

Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

SECOND READING

Luke 4:42-44 (New Testament, pages 61-62 in pew Bibles)

SERMON

“Has Anyone Seen Jesus?”

Rev. Dr. Fred Garry

***HYMN #85**

What Wondrous Love Is This?

WONDROUS LOVE

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

OFFERTORY

The Power of the Cross

Chancel Choir

Getty and Townsend

DOXOLOGY

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

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Lord’s Table

Distribution of the Bread

“The Body of Christ” (partake in unison)

Distribution of the Wine

“The Blood of Christ” (partake in unison)

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord’s Prayer (found on page 16 in front of hymnal)

SENDING

***HYMN #230**

This is the Day the Lord Hath Made

***THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

THE POSTLUDE

Praeludium and Fuga (“Little” D Minor)

Carl Bingle, Organist

Johann Sebastian Bach

Communion Voluntaries.

Sarabande (Clavier Suite in D Minor)

As the Dew, from *Heav’n Descending*

G. F. Handel

Alexander Schreiner