FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF ABERDEEN

Fourth Sunday in Lent March 27, 2022 at 10 am

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

PSALM 121

- I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come?
- ² My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.
- ³ He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.
- ⁴ Behold, he who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.
- ⁵ The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade on your right hand.
- ⁶ The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.
- ⁷ The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.
- 8 The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.

HYMN #455 - ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING (VS 1,2,5,6)

1 All creatures of our God and King, Lift up your voice and with us sing, Alleluia! Alleluia! Thou burning sun with golden beam, Thou silver moon with softer gleam, Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

2 Thou rushing wind that art so strong, Ye clouds that sail in heaven along, O sing ye! Alleluia!

Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice, Ye lights of evening, find a voice!

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Alleluia! Alleluia!

5 And everyone of tender heart, Forgiving others, take your part,

O sing ye! Alleluia! Ye who long pain and sorrow bear, Praise God and cast on God your care! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

6 All creatures, your Creator bless,
And worship God in humbleness.
O sing ye! Alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, Three in One!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE CORPORATE CONFESSION - THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son our Lord, who was conceived of the Holy Spirit, 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 sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*catholic means universal

HYMN #85 - WHAT WONDROUS LOVE IS THIS

1 What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the *heavy cross for my soul, for my soul,
To bear the *heavy cross for my soul!

2 To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing,
To God and to the Lamb, I will sing;
To God and to the Lamb who is the great I Am,
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing;
While millions join the theme, I will sing!

3 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on.
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on;
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be,
And through eternity, I'll sing on, I'll sing on.
And through eternity I'll sing on.

THE READING AND PROCLAMATION OF SCRIPTURE

Sermon: "Right Now!" - Elder Harry Carthum

MATTHEW 25:34-40

Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. ³⁵ For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, ³⁶ I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' ³⁷ Then the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? ³⁸ And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? ³⁹ And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' ⁴⁰ And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, ^[a] you did it to me.'

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S LOVE WITH OUR OFFERINGS

The ceramic jars in the offering plates are designated for the Deacons' fund. Our deacons provide care, support, and financial assistance to those in the congregation in need.

** OFFERTORY MUSIC - INSTRUMENTAL **

SONG OF PRAISE - WHATE'ER MY GOD ORDAINS IS RIGHT

1 Whate'er my God ordains is right
His holy will abideth
I will be still whate'er He does
And follow where He guideth
He is my God though dark my road
He holds me that I shall not fall
And so to Him I leave it all
And so to Him I leave it all

2 Whate'er my God ordains is right
He never will deceive me
He leads me by the proper path
I know He will not leave me
I take content What He has sent
His hand can turn my griefs away
And patiently I wait His day
And patiently I wait His day

3 Whate'er my God ordains is right
Though now this cup in drinking
May bitter seem to my faint heart
I take it all unshrinking
My God is true each morn anew
Sweet comfort yet shall fill my heart
And pain and sorrow shall depart

And pain and sorrow shall depart

4 Whate'er my God ordains is right
Here shall my stand be taken
Though sorrow need or death be mine
Yet I am not forsaken
My Father's care is round me there
He holds me that I shall not fall
And so to Him I leave it all
And so to Him I leave it all

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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 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.

HYMN #339 - BE THOU MY VISION

1 Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art--Thou my best thought, by day or by night, Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

2 Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise, Thou mine inheritance, now and always: Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, Great God of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

3 Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word; I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord; Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayer Study – there will be no prayer study on Mar 23 & 30. The study will resume on Wed, April 6 at 7:00 pm (Fellowship Hall)

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