

Sunday, March 19, 2023

Fourth Sunday in Lent

The entire worship service will be streamed live starting at 9:30am at <http://www.firsthamilton.ca/live>

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WORSHIP SERVICE 9:30 am

*You are invited to rise in body or spirit

Prelude: Rejoice

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GOD GATHERS US

Welcome

Call to Worship: *Hebrews 12:2-3, NIV*

Let us fix our eyes on Jesus,
the author and perfecter of our faith,
who for the joy set before him endured the cross,
scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of God. Let us consider him who endured
such opposition from sinful people, so that we will not grow weary and lose heart.

Song: Hymnal #575 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

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Greeting

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

Song: Hymnal #142 We Are People On A Journey

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GOD RENEWS US

Call to Confession: *Psalms 51:17, NRSVA*

The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit;
a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

Prayer of Confession: *Worship Sourcebook 2nd Edition 2.2.16 (adapted)*

Leader: Merciful God,

in your gracious presence
we confess our sin and the sin of this world.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Although Christ is among us as our peace, our hope, our joy and our satisfaction,
we are a people who cling to the values of a broken world.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: The profit and pleasures we pursue
leave us feeling unfulfilled
The fears and jealousies that we hold onto
leave us feeling angry and empty.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom, of intellect and reason,
and turn them into ways of providing for ourselves the things only you can truly provide.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Have mercy upon us;
heal and forgive us.
Set us free to serve you in the world in complete joy and satisfaction
as agents of your reconciling love.

All: In Jesus Christ. Amen.

Song: Songbook #147 Create in Me a Clean Heart

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Assurance of Pardon (and Call to Holy Living): *Worship Sourcebook 2nd Edition J.2.2.2 p. 574*

Return to the Lord your God,
for he is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.
In Christ, we are forgiven!
Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!
—based on Joel 2:13; 2 Corinthians 9:15, NRSV

Children Enter Sunday School & Children and Worship

Children: Jesus came to give us life!

All: Thanks be to God!

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession – Justin Colyn

GOD SPEAKS WITH US

Scripture Reading: John 4:1-26 (pew Bible pg. 1651)

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Message: Satisfaction Apart From Circumstance

Prayer

Song: Rejoice

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GOD NOURISHES US

The Institution

Pastor: We give thanks to God the Father that our Savior, Jesus Christ, before he suffered, gave us
this memorial of his sacrifice, until he comes again. At his last supper, the Lord Jesus took
bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, “This is my body, which is for you;
do this in remembrance of me.” In the same way, he took the cup after supper and said, “This
cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this in remembrance of me.”

**All: For whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until he
comes.**

Communion Songs: *Instrumental Medley*

Hymnal #840 Behold the Lamb

CCLI Song #5003372 - CCLI License #2024198 - CCLI Streaming License #20536380

Hymnal #177 Oh, to See the Dawn (The Power of the Cross)

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GOD RECEIVES OUR OFFERINGS

Offering: First Cause: Ministry and Resource Plan

Second Cause: Short Term Mission Fund

Offertory Prayer

Offertory Song: Hymnal #661 Just a Closer Walk with Thee

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GOD SENDS US

Announcements

Benediction

Song: *Hymnal #137 Christ, the Life of All the Living*

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Postlude: Hymnal #661 Just a Closer Walk with Thee

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Rejoice

Verse 1

Rejoice in the Lord now and always
Sing it again we rejoice
Delight in the love He has shown us
Gratefully lift up your voice
His gentleness among us
Will join our hearts with praise
We gather in His goodness
A family of grace

Chorus

With each breath He's given praise the Lord
In these times we live in we will praise the Lord
Throughout every season I am sure
We have every reason to praise the Lord

Verse 2

Rejoice and be anxious for nothing
Praying for all that you need
Come with a song of thanksgiving
Lay your requests at His feet
His peace will fall upon us
To guard our hearts and minds
In Christ who reigns eternal
The Shepherd of our lives

Verse 3

Rejoice in the Lord now and always
Tell of the good He has done
Worship the Lord to remember
All of the joy yet to come
The hope that burns within us
The dark cannot destroy
With praise that's never ending
We say again rejoice

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Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Descant

4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a - dore
 F Am B^b C7

1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - migh - ty, the King of cre - a -
 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won - drous - ly reign -
 3 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de - fend
 4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a - dore

him! All that has life and breath, come now with prais - es be -
 F Am B^b

tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and sal -
 ing, shel - tering you un - der his wings, oh, so gent - ly sus -
 you; sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall dai - ly at -
 him! All that has life and breath, come now with prais - es be -

fore him! Let the a - men sound from his
 C7 F B^b F

va - tion! Come, all who hear; broth - ers and
 tain - ing. Have you not seen all that is
 tend you. Pon - der a - new what the Al -
 fore him! Let the a - men sound from his

Chord symbols represent a simplified harmony.

Words: Joachim Neander, 1680; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1863, alt., P.D.

Music (LOBE DEN HERREN 14.14.4.7.8): *Erneuertem Gesangbuch, Stralsund*, 1665; desc. Craig S. Lang (1891-1971) © Novello and Co., Ltd, admin. G. Schirmer, Inc.

peo - ple a - gain. Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him!
 C F Dm Gm C F

sis - ters, draw near, join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
 need - ful has been sent by his gra - cious or - dain - ing?
 might - y can do as with his love he be - friends you.
 peo - ple a - gain. Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him!

We Are People on a Journey

A E A E E/D#

1 We are peo - ple on a jour - ney, fol - lowing
 2 We are peo - ple on a jour - ney, tak - ing
 3 We are peo - ple on a jour - ney, to the
 4 We are peo - ple on a jour - ney, ris - ing

C#m7 A2 E A

where the Mas - ter walks. We are peo - ple on a
 up the cross of Christ. We are peo - ple on a
 ta - ble of the Lord. We are peo - ple on a
 up in life re - born. We are peo - ple on a

E F#m7 E A E

jour - ney in the sha - dow of the cross.
 jour - ney, mov - ing on from death to life.
 jour - ney, fed by wa - ter and the Word.
 jour - ney, speak - ing peace, ac - cept - ing scorn.

A2 E

What com - pels? The face of Je - sus!
 We re - lease the sin that tan - gles.
 We re - mem - ber, we re - mem - ber
 We are walk - ing toward a home - land,

A2 D A

Who pro - tects? Our faith - ful guide:
 We re - lin - quish all ac - claim.
 how you wash dis - ci - ples' feet;
 to a mys - tery yet un - known;

E A E

he who treads the road of ser - vice,
 We re - ceive the suf - fer - ing Sav - ior,
 we re - mem - ber on the last night
 to a king - dom com - ing quick - ly,

C#m7 A E

Christ the Lord, the cru - ci - fied.
 he our glo - ry, wealth, and fame.
 gifts of wine and bread to eat.
 to the light of God's own throne.

C#m7 Bm7 E A2 To stanzas E Final ending

Create In Me A Clean Heart

Chorus

Create in me a clean heart, O God
And renew a right spirit within me
Create in me a clean heart, O God
And renew a right spirit within me

Verse

Cast me not away from your presence O Lord
Take not your Holy Spirit from me
Restore unto me the joy of your salvation
And renew a right spirit within me

Chorus

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Text: Anonymous (based on Psalm 51:10-12)

Christ, the Life of All the Living

G D C G C Am D

1 Christ, the life of all the liv-ing; Christ, the death of death our foe;
 2 You have suf-fered great af-flic-tion and have borne it pa-tient-ly,
 3 Lord, for all that bought our par-don, for the sor-rows deep and sore,

G D C G C Am D

Christ, for us your-self once giv-ing to the dark-est depths of woe:
 e-ven death by cru-ci-fix-ion: our a-tone-ment full and free.
 for the an-guish in the gar-den, we will thank you ev-er-more.

G D G Am Em B_{sus} B

through your suf-fering, death, and mer-it, life e-ter-nal we in-her-it;
 Lord, you chose to be tor-ment-ed, that our doom should be pre-vent-ed;
 For the vic-tory of your dy-ing—sin-ful na-ture mor-ti-fy-ing—

Refrain Em D G7 C G Em Am7 D G

thou-sand, thou-sand thanks are due, dear-est Je-sus, un-to you.

Words: Ernst C. Homburg, 1659; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1863, alt., P.D.

Music (JESU, MEINES LEBENS LEBEN 8.7.8.7.8.8 refrain 7.7): Das grosse Cationale, Darnstadt, 1687, P.D.