

Sunday Worship

March 3, 2013 — 10:00 AM Third Sunday of Lent

The Word of God

Welcome & Quiet Time (^indicates when to stand)

Prelude

Call to Worship

↑Gathering Song #1: Here I Am To Worship

Light of the world, You stepped down into darkness opened my eyes, let me see beauty that made This heart adore You, hope of a life spent with You.

(Chorus:) Here I am to worship. Here I am to bow down. Here I am to say that You're my God. You're altogether lovely. Altogether worthy. Altogether wonderful to me.

King of all days, Oh so highly exalted, glorious in heaven above, humbly You came to the earth You created, all for love's sake became poor. (*Chorus*)

I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross. (2 times)

Here I am to worship. Here I am to bow down. Here I am to say that You're my God. You're altogether lovely. Altogether worthy. Altogether wonderful to me. (2 times)

Here I am to worship.

↑Gathering Song #2: Be Unto Your Name

We are a moment, You are forever, Lord of the ages, God before time. We are a vapor, You are eternal, Love everlasting, reigning on high. Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty. Worthy is the Lamb who was slain. Highest praises, honor and glory be unto Your name, be unto Your name.

We are the broken, You are the healer, Jesus, Redeemer, mighty to save. You are the love song we'll sing forever, Bowing before You, blessing Your name. Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty. Worthy is the Lamb who was slain. Highest praises, honor and glory be unto Your name, be unto Your name.

↑All: Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

(Please be seated) A Reading from Exodus

(3:1-15)

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the LORD said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain."

But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I AM Who I AM." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I AM has sent me to you." God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The LORD, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you':

This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations.

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

All: Thanks be to God.

↑Song of Praise: <u>Jesus, Hope of the Nations</u>

(Verse:) Jesus, hope of the nations, Jesus, comfort for all who mourn: You are the source of heaven's hope on earth; Jesus, light in the darkness; Jesus, truth in each circumstance; You are the source of heaven's light on earth;

(Chorus:) In history You lived and died; You broke the chains, You rose to life. You are the hope living in us; You are the Rock in whom we trust; You are the light, shining for all the world to see; You rose from the dead, conquering fear, our Prince of Peace drawing us near; Jesus our hope, living for all who will receive; Lord, we believe.

Repeat Verse and Chorus

Lord, we believe. Lord we believe. Lord we believe. In history You lived and died; You broke the chains, You rose to life. You are the hope living in us; You are the Rock in whom we trust; You are the light, shining for all the world to see; You rose from the dead, conquering fear, our Prince of Peace drawing us near; Jesus our hope, living for all who will receive; You are the hope living in us; You are the Rock in whom we trust; You are the light, shining for all the world to see; You rose from the dead, conquering fear, our Prince of Peace drawing us near; Jesus our hope, living for all who will receive;

Lord, we believe. (Jesus, hope of the nations;) Lord we believe (Jesus, hope of the nations.) Lord we believe (Jesus, Lord, we believe.) Lord we believe.

↑The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Luke

(13:1-9)

All: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

There were some present who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them--do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did."

Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, 'See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?' He replied, 'Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down."

Priest: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

All: Thanks be to God.

Message (please be seated)

↑ Leader: Let us stand and profess our faith using the words of the Nicene Creed.

All: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

↑ Prayers for Ourselves and Others

Leader: Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

All: That we all may be one.

Leader: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

All: That your Name may be glorified by all people.

Leader: We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

All: That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

Leader: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

All: That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Leader: Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

All: That our works may find favor in your sight.

Leader: Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

All: That they may be delivered from their distress.

Leader: Give to the departed eternal rest.

All: Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Leader: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

All: May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Leader: Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Please feel free to add your own petitions either silently or aloud.

Leader: Seeking the rightness that comes from you, we pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

All: Have mercy on us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Priest: O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.*

↑Prayer for the Selection of a Vicar:

All: Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a vicar for this parish, that we may receive a faithful evangelist who will grow this church, care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

↑Exchange of Peace

Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

The Holy Communion

Offertory

↑ 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.

↑Eucharistic Prayer from A New Zealand Prayer Book, 1989 (adapted)

Priest: Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed.

Priest: Lift your hearts to heaven.

People: Where Christ in glory reigns.

Priest: Let us give thanks to God.

People: It is right to offer thanks and praise.

Priest: It is the joy of our salvation God of the universe, to give you thanks through Jesus Christ. You said, 'Let there be light'; there was light. Your light shines on in our darkness. For you the earth has brought forth life in all its forms.

You have created us to hear your Word, to do your will, and to be fulfilled in your love. It is right to thank you. You sent your Son to be for us the way we need to follow and the truth we need to know. You send your Holy Spirit to strengthen and to guide, to warn and to revive your Church. Therefore, with all your witnesses who surround us on every side, countless as heaven's stars, we praise you for our creation and our calling, with loving and with joyful hearts:

All (Sung): Open the eyes of my heart, Lord, open the eyes of my heart, I want to see You, I want to see You; Open the eyes of my heart, Lord, open the eyes of my heart, I want to see You, I want to see You. To see You high and lifted up, shining in the light of Your glory; Pour out Your power and love as we sing, "Holy, holy, holy."

Holy Holy, Holy Holy, Holy, Holy Holy Holy I want to see You (2x)

Priest: Blessed are you, most holy, in your Son, who washed his disciples' feet. 'I am among you,' he said, 'as one who serves.' On that night before he died he took bread and gave you thanks. He broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you; do this to remember me." After supper, he took the cup, and gave you thanks. He gave it to them and said: "Drink this. It is my blood of the new covenant, shed for you, shed for all, to forgive sin; do this to remember me." Therefore with this bread and wine we recall your goodness to us:

People: God of the past and present, we your people remember your Son. We thank you for his cross and rising again, we take courage from his ascension; we look for his coming in glory and in him we give ourselves to you.

Priest: Send your Holy Spirit, that we who receive Christ's body may indeed be the body of Christ, and we who share his cup draw strength from the one true vine.

People: Called to follow Christ, help us to reconcile and unite. Called to suffer, give us hope in our calling. For you, the heavenly one, make all things new; you are the beginning and the end, the last and the first.

Praise, glory and love be yours this and every day from us and all people here and everywhere Amen.

Priest: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

All: 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The priest breaks the consecrated bread and says:

Priest: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

Priest: The gifts of God for the people of God.

[NOTE: All are welcome to receive Communion, whatever your faith tradition. Please receive the bread in the open palm of your hand. Then, either consume the bread and move to a chalicer and receive from the chalice by guiding the base of the

chalice to your mouth or take the chalice from the chalice minister. Or, you may intinct or dip the bread into the chalice and consume it. The glass chalice contains non-alcoholic wine for those who do not wish to consume alcohol for any reason. If you do not wish to receive communion but would like a blessing, please come forward with your arms crossed over your chest.]

Communion Song: Be Still

Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One is here. Come, bow before Him now, with reverence and fear. In Him no sin is found, we stand on holy ground. Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One is here.

Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place. He comes to cleanse and heal, to minister His grace. No work too hard for Him, in faith receive from Him, Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.

Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around. He burns with holy fire, with splendor He is crowned. How awesome is the sight, our radiant King of Light! Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.

Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One is here.

↑Post-Communion Prayer: Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

↑Blessing

↑Song of Dismissal: <u>Days of Elijah</u>

These are the days of Elijah Declaring the Word of the Lord These are the days of Your servant Moses Righteousness being restored And though these are days of great trials Of famines and darkness and sword Still we are the voice in the desert crying Prepare ye the way of the Lord!

(Chorus:) Behold He comes riding on the clouds Shining like the sun at the trumpet call So lift your voice it's the year of Jubilee And out of Zion's hill salvation comes.

And these are the days of Ezekiel The dry bones becoming as flesh And these are the days of Your servant David Rebuilding a temple of praise And these are the days of the harvest The fields are white in the world And we are Your laborers in Your vineyard Declaring the Word of the Lord. *(Chorus)*

There is no God like Jehovah – ah! (Chorus)

↑Announcements, Prayer Requests and Dismissal

Priest: Let us bless the Lord. *All:* Thanks be to God.

Make yourself comfortable!

Welcome to worship today. We're glad you've come to glorify God with the people of St. Francis Church.

There is no "one right way" to participate. Join in as much as you want.

If you wish to sing, all our music is included in the bulletin. We have a lively contemporary band and music is a significant part of our worship experience. However, we recognize that visitors may not know the music. If you and your family are among these, we encourage you to hum along or simply sit back and enjoy the sound.

Filling out a name tag and placing it on your person will permit us all to greet each other by name while visiting here at St. Francis. Likewise, signing our guest roster will permit us to follow-up with you following this Sunday's worship.

If you are a guest today, don't feel obligated to make a financial contribution to the offering. Rest rooms are located in the entrance Narthex and in the mobile office/classroom building adjacent to the worship hall.

"We are a welcoming community seeking to share God's unconditional love with all."

Today's quest priest is The Rev. Doug Burgoyne

Your Vestry Members are:

Senior Warden: Jack Martin Junior Warden: Bill Weatherford

Other Members:Peter LeVinessLarry KiddAnn JamesWayne Conners

Register: Marian Elam Treasurer: Susan Kidd

Below is the schedule for greeters, lay readers and chalicers for February, March and early April. If you have a problem with the dates on this schedule, please let Larry Kidd know as soon as possible and he will try to make adjustments. Otherwise you will need to find a substitute if you are unable to be at church on your assigned date.

<u>Worship</u>						
Service Date		Service Leaders	Scripture Reader	Prayer Reader	Chalicer Names	Greeters/ Ushers
3-Mar		Rev. Doug Burgoyne	Wayne Conners	Missy Rand	Jack Martin, Marian Elam	Paul and Ann James, Larry Kidd
10-Mar		Rev. Bill Noe	Kathy Gammon	Peter LeViness	Kathy Gammon, Peter LeViness	Bill Weatherford, Larry Kidd
17-Mar		Rev. Doug Burgoyne	Larry Kidd	Bill Weatherford	Bill Weatherford, Susan Kidd	John and Libby Clark, Larry Kidd
24-Mar		Rev. Bill Noe	Wayne Conners	Missy Rand	Ann James, Jack Martin	Paul and Ann James, Susan Kidd
29-Mar	6pm	Rev. Bob Friend	Peter LeViness	Bill Weatherford	Peter LeViness, Bill Weatherford	Bill Weatherford, Larry Kidd
31-Mar		Rev. Doug Burgoyne	Bill Weatherford	Kathy Gammon	Bill Weatherford, Kathy Gammon	John and Libby Clark, Larry Kidd
7-Apr		Rev. Bill Noe	Larry Kidd	MJ Weatherford	MJ Weatherford, Susan Kidd	Paul and Ann James, Larry Kidd

~Announcements~

Upcoming Important Dates:

Thursday, March 7	Vestry Meeting	St. Francis	6:00 p.m.
Friday, March 15	Kindred Spirits	St. Francis	7:30 p.m.
Sunday, March 10	Communion Service (Rev. Bill Noe)	St. Francis	10:00 a.m.

Upcoming Community Events

The Centerville Homemaker's Club would like to invite anyone who is interested to join them for their meetings on the second Wednesday of each month held at 10:00 a.m. in the Eudcation Building at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church. If you would like to attend, please call Ann James (784-5632). Upcoming events are:

March 13 - Auction – This is the main fund-raising event for their Community Fund.

Remember in your prayers:

Chuck Haack	Neale Dickinson	Claudia (LeViness) Killian
Ann	Kathy Spacek's family	Dayton Richmond
Shirley & Tom Bishop	Laughton Nuckols	Mark Overman
John G. Lewis, Jr.	Verna Hurtt	Lonnie Johnson
Virginia Burke	Eric Wilcken's family	Nancy MacNaughton

Financial Update—If you have any questions about any of this data, please don't hesitate to ask your treasurer, Susan Kidd.

	Operating Funds		Net Gain
	Deposits	Expenses	or (Loss)
2013			
January	\$3,224.00	\$3,532.40	(\$308.40)
February	\$9,956.00	\$9,878.72	\$77.28
March	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
1st Quarter	\$13,180.00	\$13,411.12	(\$231.12)
2013 Year-To-Date	\$13,180.00	\$13,411.12	(\$231.12)
Checking Account Balance	Beginning	Ending	
YTD 2013	\$32,627.98	\$32,396,86	(\$231.12)

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