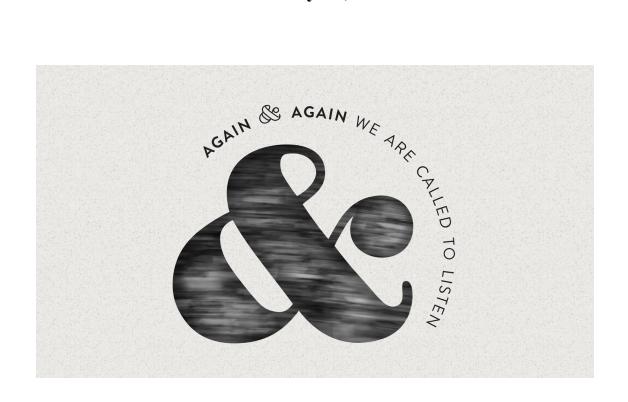


Service for the Lord's Day February 28, 2021



ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Second Sunday in Lent

February 28, 2021

10:00 a.m.

GATHERING

Prelude Ave Verum Corpus W.A. Mozart

Welcome & Announcements

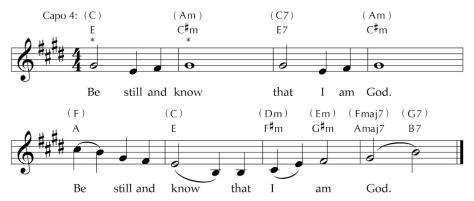
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. *And also with you.*

Threshold Moment

Hymn #414 Be Still and Know That I Am God

GATHERING

414 Be Still and Know That I Am God



^{*}May be sung as a canon.

In many situations, simplicity is more challenging than embellishment. The spiritual life is no exception, as these eight stark monosyllables from Psalm 46:10a make clear. The musical setting is similarly spare, using only five notes to create a sense of melodic spaciousness.

TEXT and MUSIC: John L. Bell, 1989
Text and Music © 1989 WGRG, Iona Community (admin. GIA Publications, Inc.)

PSALM 46 Irregular

Call to Confession

Silent Confession

Prayer of Confession *Listening God,*

Take what is closed in us and open it.

Take what is distracted in us and settle it.

Take what is hurting in us and hold it.

Take any and all parts of us that create distance from you. For we are like Peter, O God.

We argue what we don't know. We fear what we cannot see.

And we almost always speak sooner than we listen.

So open us, settle us, hold us, and forgive us. We long to hear your more clearly. We long to know you more fully.

With hope we pray, And with gratitude we confess. Amen.

Declaration of God's Grace

Congregational Response #447 We Are Forgiven



To sing, rather than simply say, a response to the Declaration of Forgiveness has the effect of making the moment both more affirmative and more corporate. The musical repetition of the two sentences also strengthens awareness of what it means to be assured of God's pardon.

TEXT: Trad. liturgical text MUSIC: Hal H. Hopson, 1995 Music © 1995 Hal H. Hopson WE ARE FORGIVEN 10.8.10.8

Passing of the Peace

Take out your phone and text to a church member, friend or family member - "The Peace of Christ be with you."

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Children's Message

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Psalm 22:23-31

Scripture Reading Mark 8:31-9:8

Sermon Again & Again, We are Called to Listen

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Special Music Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley Handbell Choir

Affirmation of Faith

We believe.

Sometimes our belief is confident, Like a child on a dance floor -Unashamed and wildly genuine.

We believe.

Sometimes our belief is distant, Flickering and calling out to us Like a lighthouse on the sea.

We believe.

Sometimes our belief shows up as passion, Guiding the way we vote, shop, give, live, trust, and hope.

We believe.

Sometimes our belief is like a shadow -Faith stitched to our heels, unmoveable, unloseable, A gift for winding journeys.

We believe.

Sometimes our belief exists like growing pains. We step forward. We fall back. But again and again, Jesus invites us to listen, To grow, and to take another step.

So again and again,

We speak these truths out loud:

We believe.

We believe.

Again and again, we believe.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

Joys and Concerns of the Congregation

Comment on Facebook if you have a joy or concern to be shared. You can also email or call the church with prayer concerns. Tomorrow we will send a list of prayer concerns over email to our community.

Hymn #471 O Lord, Hear My Prayer



Pastoral Prayer & The 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.

Offering

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Hymn #410 God is Calling Through the Whisper



Charge & Benediction

Postlude Be Thou My Vision

Participants in today's service:

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Liturgists: Mike Jones, Steve Dickinson, Maddy Trimby, Bob Walters

Director of Christian Education: Neil Myer

Pianist: Tamar Mikeladze Choir Director: Jadrian Tarver

Video Producer & Handbell Director: Heather Myer

Handbell Choir: Becky Brown, Debi Cox, Terry Graham, Linda Hardenbergh, Megan Jones

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