

March 15, 2020

Third Sunday in Lent

9:45 AM

PRELUDE

SHARING OUR FELLOWSHIP

Dan Griset

INTROIT

Prepare Ye the Way

Chancel Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP

Jim Cox, Liturgist

One: Jesus was a brilliant therapist. Jesus taught that we must care not just for the outside of the body, but the inside or psyche as well.

Many: **One main reason why so much religion does not help transform individuals or society is that it is mostly about external actions, rituals objects and behaviors.**

One: Jesus focused strongly on the internals of faith: attitude, motivation and intent, what's in our hearts and minds.

Many: **Only an inner life of spiritual disciplines can help us go where Jesus invites us.**

One: Carl Jung said that people who just look outside are dreaming, but people who look inside themselves are awakening. Let us be awake!

Prayer **O God, who is love, remind us to reach within to the fountain of feelings at the core of ourselves and there, let us find You and our true selves. Remind us to reach out to a child, a friend, a stranger, and there let us find both what's divine as well as our true selves. May we never close our hearts or our hands, but always remain open, here and now. Amen.**

OPENING IN SONG (stand if able)

*Come, Now is the Time
to Worship*

Please greet those around you after the song, then be seated.

Remember not to touch, hug or handshake; only bow, wave or smile.

WORDS OF WELCOME

Pastor Mike Holland

ANTHEM *Clap Your Hands, All Ye People* Chancel Choir
By Victor Johnson

COMMUNION is suspended until further notice

CHURCH SCHOOL Children & Youth excused to classes
Go, our children, with our blessing, God's light to be. Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free. Here the Spirit's power filled you, here with tender comfort stilled you. Go, our children, with our blessing, God's light to be.

MORNING PRAYERS

Sharing Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Kel Henderson

Quiet Meditation

Serenity Prayer

God, grant us the...

Serenity to accept things we cannot change,

Courage to change the things we can, and the

Wisdom to know the difference

Patience for the things that take time

Appreciation for all that we have, and

Tolerance for those with different struggles

Freedom to live beyond the limitations of our past ways,

The ability to feel Your love for us

and our love for each other and the

Strength to get up and try again

even when we feel it is hopeless. Amen

READING

John 4:7-15

A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." ⁸(the disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) ⁹The Samaritan woman said to Jesus, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) ¹⁰Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who I Am that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would ask and be given living water." ¹¹The woman said to Jesus, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water?" ¹²Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and flocks drank from it?" ¹³Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, ¹⁴but those who drink of the water that I Am gives them will never be thirsty. The water that I AM gives will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." ¹⁵The woman said to Jesus, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."

MESSAGE

Deep Wells

Pastor Mike Holland

HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP

Abba, Teach Me

(Please stand if able)

A TIME FOR GIVING

Offering Plates are available in the Narthex

Drop envelopes, check and monies in plates as you exit,

Or mail to the church office during the week.

(Online giving is also an option through churchofthefoothills.org)

BENEDICTION

Pastor Mike Holland

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Abba teach me, day by day, Love's sweet lesson, to obey

Sweeter music, cannot be, Loving God who first loved me

(Repeat)

POSTLUDE

John Douglas and Jeffrey Segal