



Louisville, KY

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Fourth Sunday in Lent
March 22, 2020 – 10:00 a.m.

THE GATHERING

WELCOME

PRESENTING THE MEANS OF GRACE

Our life is in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. The Bible is the written witness to Jesus Christ, therefore it is "The Word of Life." Our lives are claimed by God through our baptism. It is God's seal on who we are as the children of God, therefore it is "The Font of Identity." The Table is the center of our home in the Body of Christ, the place where we are welcomed, renewed, and strengthened for the life to which we are called, therefore it is "The Table of Sustenance."

*HYMN 32

*I Sing the Mighty Power of God
(See hymn on page 4 of bulletin)*

ELLACOMBE

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(Congregation invited to respond with bold words)*

"Merciful and loving God, **forgive our unbelief.**"

(Time for silent prayer.)

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*GLORIA PATRI

GREATOREX

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be:
World without end, Amen.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

A TIME FOR CHILDREN

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Psalm 23

SECOND READING

Matthew 11:28-30

SERMON

A Lighter Load

Teresa Larson

THE RESPONSE

MUSICAL MEDITATION

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need
Meme Tunnell, guest pianist

arr. Mack Wilberg

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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 by the Holy Ghost, 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 sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

THE SENDING

*HYMN 837

What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine
(See hymn on page 5 of bulletin)

SHOWALTER

*BENEDICTION

IN WORSHIP TODAY

OUR MUSIC

We welcome Meme Tunnell as our guest pianist this morning. Meme is a familiar face to us at Second, and teaches at Bellarmine University. Thank you, Meme, for serving our congregation in this way!

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WE LIFT UP IN PRAYER

Charlie Farnsley on the death of his grandmother, Sissy Nash, 3/10/20

Joyce Reibling on the death of her sister, Marilyn Beverly Pierce, 3/6/20

Barbara Taylor on the death of her sister, Teresa Herlston, 3/6/20

Steve Jester on the death of his mother died, 3/3/20

The family of John C. Everett on his death, 2/27/20

Jon Reinstine and his family on the death of Jon's father, Franklin Reinstine, 2/12/20

Peggy Duane and family on the death of Don, 2/5/20

Marilyn Duke and her family on the death of Marilyn's mother, Helen Hornback Berry, 2/4/20

THE MINISTRY TEAM

Rev. Steven P. Jester, Pastor

Rev. Nathan Sautter, Associate Pastor for Community Life

Jordan Akin, Associate Pastor for Youth

Jim Rittenhouse, Director of Music Ministries

Lorie Williamson, Director of Children's Ministries

Hayley Abell, Director of Weekday School

Paula Roberts, Organist

Christina Bouras Recktenwald, Children's Choirs Coordinator

Ricky Case, Children's Choirs Coordinator

Elizabeth Clay, Parish Associate

Teresa Larson, Seminary Intern

Dear Church Family,

In light of the current public health situation, we have made the decision to continue the suspension of in person worship services and also to suspend all normal church operations for at least two weeks. This decision continues to be made out of care for our community and not out of fear. We intend to do our part to help our community slow the spread of the disease and mitigate its effect.

Please take care of yourselves, physically, emotionally, mentally and spiritually. Follow all the recommendations for personal hygiene and minimize your contact in public. Reach out to others in whatever ways you can, both to offer support and to seek support. Take time to pray for those who are sick, those who are scared, for those who are impacted economically, for healthcare workers and for the church in all places. Above all remember the words of Christ, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, and do not be afraid."

*In the hope of Christ and on behalf of our staff and the Session,
Steve*

32 I Sing the Mighty Power of God

1 I sing the might-y power of God that made the moun-tains rise,
 2 I sing the good-ness of the Lord who filled the earth with food.
 3 There's not a plant or flower be-low but makes thy glo-ries known.

that spread the flow-ing seas a-broad and built the loft-y
 God formed the crea-tures through the Word, and then pro-nounced them
 And clouds a-rise, and tem-pests blow, by or-der from thy

skies. I sing the wis-dom that or-dained the sun to rule the day.
 good. Lord, how thy won-ders are dis-played, wher-e'er I turn my eye,
 throne, while all that bor-rows life from thee is ev-er in thy care,

The moon shines full at God's com-mand, and all the stars o-bey.
 if I sur-vey the ground I tread, or gaze up-on the sky!
 and ev-ery-where that we can be, thou, God, art pres-ent there.

With minimal revision this text brings together six of the eight four-line stanzas in an 18th-century hymn written for children and originally headed "Praise for Creation and Providence." The anonymous German tune provides a fitting sense of breadth and wonder.

What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine 837

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

1 What a fel-low-ship, what a joy di-vine, lean-ing on the ev-er-
 2 O how sweet to walk in this pil-grim way, lean-ing on the ev-er-
 3 What have I to dread, what have I to fear, lean-ing on the ev-er-

last-ing arms; what a bless-ed-ness, what a peace is mine,
 last-ing arms; O how bright the path grows from day to day,
 last-ing arms? I have bless-ed peace with my Lord so near,

Refrain
 lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms. Lean-ing,
 Lean-ing on Je-sus,
 lean-ing,
 lean-ing on Je-sus, safe and se-cure from all a-larms; lean-ing on
 ing, lean-ing,
 Je-sus, lean-ing on Je-sus, lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms.

The composer of the tune (and creator of the refrain) asked the author of the stanzas to write a hymn based on the latter part of Deuteronomy 33:27 (as worded in the King James Version): "Underneath are the everlasting arms." Their joint effort has proved very popular.