

First Presbyterian Church

Fellowship Hall Service | March 11, 2018

Fourth Sunday of Lent

GATHERING SONG

CALL TO WORSHIP *from Isaiah 55:6, 7*

Leader: Seek the LORD while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

HYMNS OF PRAISE

“10,000 Reasons”

CONFESSION OF SIN

Holy God, wash us thoroughly of our iniquity and cleanse us from our sin; for our transgressions are ever before us and we have done what is evil in your sight. You desire truth in our inward being, yet we turn our backs on the wisdom you would impart in our hearts. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within us. Do not cast us away from your presence, and do not take your Holy Spirit from us. Forgive our sins and lead us in your paths anew that we might teach transgressors your ways and lead sinners to return to you. *Amen.*

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ASSURANCE OF THE GOSPEL

“Yet even now,” declares the LORD, “return to me with all your heart, with fasting and weeping and mourning.” Rend your hearts and not your garments. Return to the LORD your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love. - *Joel 2:12-13*

HYMNS OF PRAISE

“Death Was Arrested”

“How Deep the Father’s Love for Us”

OFFERING

“How Great Thou Art”

PRAYER FOR CHRIST’S PEOPLE

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Article 20 from the Belgic Confession

Leader: What do we believe?

People: We believe that God—
who is perfectly merciful
and also very just—
sent the Son to assume the nature
in which the disobedience had been committed,
in order to bear in it the punishment of sin
by his most bitter passion and death.

So God made known his justice toward his Son,
who was charged with our sin,
and he poured out his goodness and mercy on us,
who are guilty and worthy of damnation,
giving to us his Son to die,
by a most perfect love,

and raising him to life
for our justification,
in order that by him
we might have immortality
and eternal life.

GREETING OF PEACE

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

All: **And also with you.**

*Children’s church for kids 4 years old through 1st grade is available at this time.
Leaders will meet the children just outside the Fellowship Hall and walk them to the
PreK-K room or parents may walk them back.*

SCRIPTURE READING *from Hosea 11:1-11*

SERMON

“How Can I Give You Up?”
Mike Haberkorn

HYMN OF RESPONSE

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

THE BENEDICTION