

**First Presbyterian Church**

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**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent**

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**Welcome to our Worship Service!**

**We are so glad you are here.**

**March 29, 2020**

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**WELCOME & CALL TO REFLECTION**

**PRELUDE – *Be Thou My Vision* . . . . . Albin Whitworth**

**PRAYER OF TRANSFORMATION**

**\*HYMN – Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty! (Verse 1)**

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;  
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!  
God in three Persons, blessèd Trinity!**

**PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS . . . . . Adapted from Ulla Monberg, Anglican Priest**

**God who is with us at our beginning and ending, be with us now. Help us to find you in the chaos of our lives. Let your light shine in our darkness so that we may be guided to walk in your ways all the days of our lives. In the name of Jesus, who is our way, we pray. Amen.**

**A TIME OF SILENCE**

**ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

**\*O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING (# 466, verse 1)**

**O for a thousand tongues to sing My dear Redeemer’s praise,  
The glories of my God and King, The triumphs of God's grace!**

**Solo** - *Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God* ..... Carl Mueller  
Olu Dare, soloist

**THE NEWS OF THE COMMUNITY**

**SCRIPTURE READING – Luke 15:1-6, 25-32 (New Testament)**

Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, “This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.” So he told them this parable: “Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.’

“Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, ‘Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.’ Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, ‘Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!’ Then the father said to him, ‘Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.’”

**PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD** ..... Kennedy M. McGowan

**Letting Go of Religion, Living into Grace**

*Living into Jesus, The True Elder Brother*

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER - Debtors version**

**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.  
FORGIVE US OUR DEBTS,  
AS WE FORGIVE OUR DEBTORS.  
LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION.  
BUT DELIVER US FROM EVIL.  
FOR THINE IS THE KINGDOM,  
THE POWER AND THE GLORY. AMEN.**

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**\*OFFERING OF PRAYER (in unison) - Adapted from a prayer on papyrus, 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> century**

**Holy God, you have shown us light and life. You are stronger than any natural power. Accept the words from our hearts that struggle to reach you. Accept the silent thoughts and feelings that are offered to you. Clear our minds of the clutter of useless facts. Bend down to us and lift us in your arms. Make us holy as you are holy. Give us a voice to sing of your love to others, and may these gifts join in that song so that all creation might be transformed by the light of your love. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

**\*HYMN – My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less (verse 1)**

**My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, But wholly lean on Jesus' name.  
On Christ, the solid Rock I stand; All other ground is sinking sand,  
All other ground is sinking sand.**

**\*CHARGE AND BLESSING**

**\*POSTLUDE – Marche Pontificale . . . . . Gordon Young**

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**WELCOME VISITORS!**

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