

Fourth Sunday in Lent
March 15, 2020
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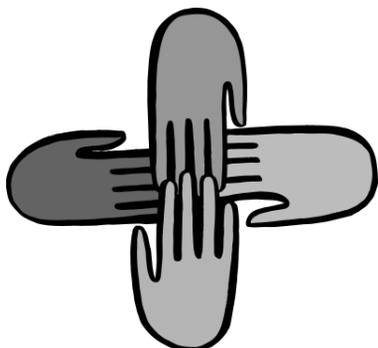


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Welcome

Thank you for being part of worship today.

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome

Pastor John Kuehner

Confession & Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, †one God, who is present, and who gives life. If you were to keep watch over sins, O Lord, who could stand? Yet with you is forgiveness, and so we confess.

C: **Gracious God, have mercy on us.**

We confess that we have turned away from you, knowingly and unknowingly. We have wandered from your resurrection life. We have strayed from your love for all people. Forgive us, renew us, lead us, O God.

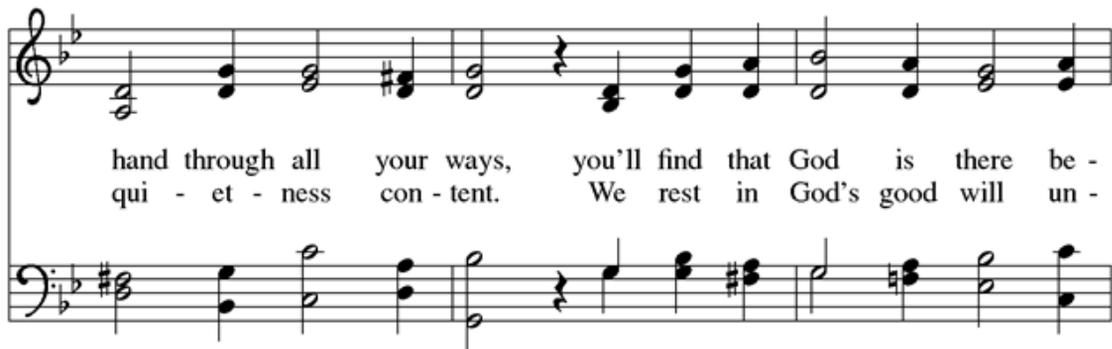
P: Receive good news: God turns to you in love.

“I will put my spirit in you, and you shall live,” says our God. All our sin is forgiven in the name of †Jesus Christ, who is the free and abounding gift of God’s grace for you.

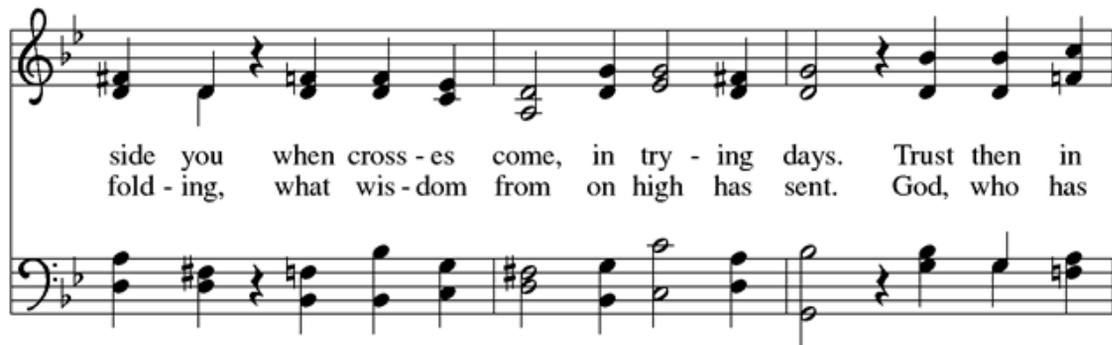
C: **Amen.**



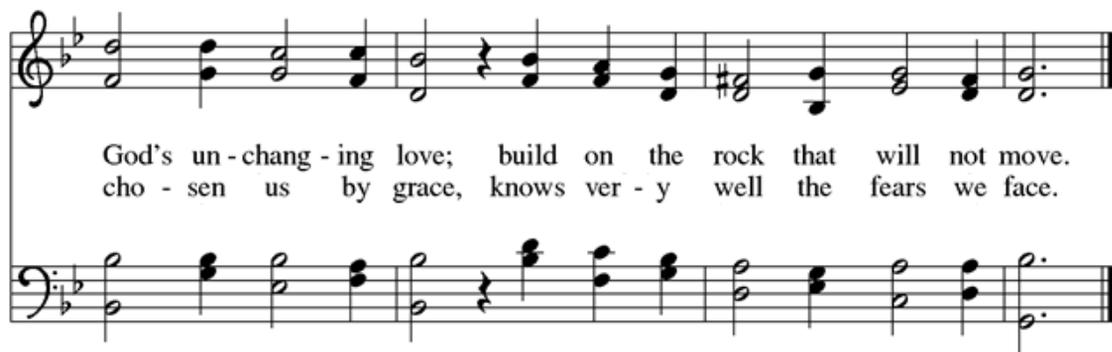
1 If you but trust in God to guide you with gen - tle
3 The Lord our rest - less hearts is hold - ing, in peace and



hand through all your ways, you'll find that God is there be -
qui - et - ness con - tent. We rest in God's good will un -



side you when cross - es come, in try - ing days. Trust then in
fold - ing, what wis - dom from on high has sent. God, who has



God's un - chang - ing love; build on the rock that will not move.
cho - sen us by grace, knows ver - y well the fears we face.

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Prayer of the Day

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Lenten Reflection

Beyond the Days

OCP 268

Refrain



Be - yond the days of hope and mys - t'ry we
see a light of faith re - newed, and in our long - ing
we thirst for guid - ance to walk with you day by day.

1-4 to Verses

Final Verses

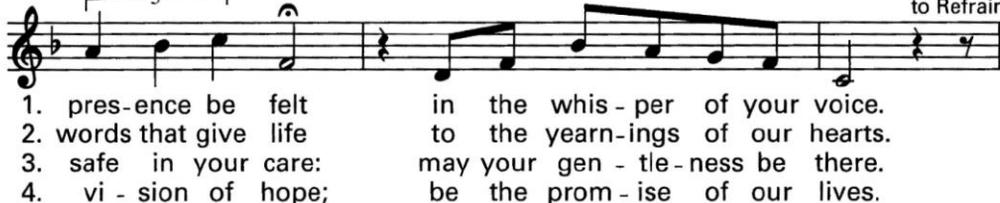


day, to walk with you day by day.

1. For - ty days and
2. Not on bread a -
3. In your hands, O
4. On our Lent - en



1. nights, you guide the steps of our jour - ney. May your
2. lone are we to walk on this jour - ney. Speak the
3. God, we feel the touch of your guid - ance. Keep us
4. path we see the dawn of a new day. Be our



1. pres - ence be felt in the whis - per of your voice.
2. words that give life to the yearn - ings of our hearts.
3. safe in your care: may your gen - tle - ness be there.
4. vi - sion of hope; be the prom - ise of our lives.

to Refrain

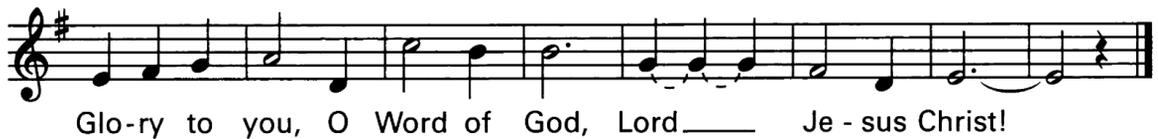
WORD

First Reading – Ephesians 5: 8 - 14

Psalm

Special Music

Gospel Verse



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P: The Gospel according to John.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel – John 9: 1 – 6 and 13 – 17

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Pastor Josh Serrano

Apostles' Creed

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Prayers of Intercession

Response to each petition

A: Lord in your mercy,

C: **hear our prayer.**

Thanksgiving for the Word

P: Praise and thanks to you, holy God, for by your Word you made all things: you spoke light into dimness, called forth beauty from chaos, and brought life into being. For your Word of life, O God,

C: we give you thanks and praise.

P: By your Word you called your people Israel to tell of your wonderful gifts: freedom from captivity, water on the desert journey, a pathway home from exile, wisdom for life with you. For your Word of life, O God,

C: we give you thanks and praise.

P: Through Jesus, your Word made flesh, you speak to us and call us to witness: forgiveness through the cross, life to those entombed by death, the way of your self-giving love. For your Word of life, O God,

C: we give you thanks and praise.

P: Send your Spirit of truth, O God; rekindle your gifts within us: renew our faith, increase our hope, and deepen our love, for the sake of a world in need. Faithful to your Word, O God, draw near to all who call on you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

C: Amen.

*You are invited to receive the Word with a gesture
(hands cupped to receive, arms open, hands raised, closed eyes)*

P: With open hearts and minds, may you receive the Word, illuminating, sustaining, transforming, ever giving.

You are invited to place hands to the heart, cross ones arms to one's shoulders, make the sign of the cross, closed eyes.

C: Amen.

SENDING

Blessing

P: Now is the acceptable time. Now is the day of salvation. Holy God, speaking, spoken, and inspiring, †bless you, unbind you, and remain with you in love and in peace.

C: Amen.

Sending Hymn

Awake, O Sleeper, Rise from Death

ELW 452

1 A - wake, O sleep - er, rise from death, and Christ shall give you light;
3 There is one bod - y and one hope, one Spir - it and one call,
5 For us Christ lived, for us he died, and con - quered in the strife.

so learn his love, its length and breadth, its full - ness, depth, and height.
one Lord, one faith, and one bap - tism, one God who made us all.
A - wake, a - rise, go forth in faith, and Christ shall give you life.

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Dismissal

A: Go in peace. Share the Good News.

C: Thanks be to God.