

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE - 11:00 A.M.

Rev. Mark Piedmonte

Music Director – Gregory Fraser

** Congregation please stand as you feel comfortable*

PRELUDE with SILENT PRAYERS: Chopin

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MARCH MISSION MOMENT: Beyond Your Walls – Mobile Shower, Lunch & Laundry

GATHERING AT THE FOUNT

Leader: Sisters and brothers, may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.

All: And also with you.

Leader: Let us worship our Lord.

INTROIT: Ancient Words

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Grace and peace in Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Blessed are those whose transgression is forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God.

*OPENING PRAYER

Leader: Let us pray:

All: Gracious God, seeker of the lost: draw your children back to your loving embrace, restore us to our inheritance as daughters and sons, and reconcile our hearts to you, that we may become ambassadors of your reconciling love to all the world. Through Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit we pray. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN: Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing (PH # 356)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: forGIVENess

CALL TO CONFESSION

Leader: Trusting the grace promised to us in Jesus Christ, let us confess our sins before God and one another.

All: Merciful God, we confess that we have strayed from your ways. Like the Prodigal Son, we have wasted our inheritance. You gave us the earth for our home, but we squander earth's resources and hoard its bounty. You gave us neighbors to love, but we pursue selfish ambitions. You gave us the commandments that lead to human flourishing, but we break your law and forsake your love.

Forgive us our sin and bring us to repentance. Draw our wandering hearts back to you that we may find freedom in obedience to your love. Through Christ our Lord we pray.

Amen.

MOMENT OF SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: As a parent welcomes home a wayward child, so God embraces all who return in true repentance. Hear this good news, friends, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

*RESPONSE: GLORIA PATRI

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: May the Peace of Christ be with all of you. **All: And also with you.**

WORDS & GESTURES OF PEACE

SONG OF PRAISE: Just as I am (insert)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Leader: Let us join together in prayer, asking for the Scriptures to be opened to us:

All: Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit open our minds and bodies to the re-creating power of your Word, that we may see the world through the mind of Christ and live in the world as a foretaste of your new creation. In Jesus' name we pray.

Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 32

Luke 15:1-3; 11b-32

RESPONSE TO THE READING OF GOD'S WORD

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord! **All: Thanks be to God!**

SERMON SERIES: Singing the Psalms through Lent.

MESSAGE: "Happy?"

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HYMN: How Blest, Those Whose Transgressions (insert)

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Apostles' Creed (Please remain standing)

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.

SHARING OUR JOYS & CONCERNS (Please be seated)

RESPONSIVE PRAYER FOR INTERSESSION

Leader: Let us pray to the Lord; **All: Lord, have mercy.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Unison)

OFFERTORY / DEDICATION

*CLOSING HYMN: Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound (PH #280)

*BENEDICTION / *RESPONSE: Go Now In Peace

POSTLUDE: Bach Piano Concerto in Bb, 2nd movement

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