

March 24, 2019

9:00 a.m.

Order of Service

GATHERING

As followers of Jesus
we will love the Lord our God
with all our hearts,
with all our souls
and with all our minds.
And we will love our neighbors
as ourselves and serve them
in the name of Christ.
Matthew 22:37, 39

*Love God
Follow Jesus
Serve in Spirit*

If you are visiting with us, we welcome you and encourage you to sign the visitor card in the pew. Visitors are urged to leave their address, to receive a letter of welcome from the pastor and be placed on the newsletter email list, if desired.

PRELUDE

Lord of Grace

— arr. June Nixon

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT FOR MISSION — One Great Hour of Sharing

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*CALL TO WORSHIP

— Lanny Wolfe

Surely The Presence of the Lord

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;

I can feel His mighty power and His grace.

I can hear the brush of angels' wings, I see glory on each face;

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

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*PRAYER OF ADORATION

*HYMN

Here I Am, Lord

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.

All who dwell in dark and sin, my hand will save.

I who made the stars of night, I will make the darkness bright.

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.

I have wept for love of them. They turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone,

give them hearts with love alone.

I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?

*Please rise in body or spirit.

Anthem Text:

O Love, O Love, O Love
that will not let me go,
O Love, I rest my weary
soul in Thee;
I give Thee back the life I owe,
That in Thy ocean depths its flow
may richer, fuller be.
O Joy, O Joy, O Joy
that seeks me through the pain,
I cannot close my heart to Thee;
I trace the rainbow
through the rain,
And feel the promise is not vain,
that morn shall tearless be.
O Love, O Love, O Love
that will not let me go,
O Love, I rest my
weary soul in Thee;
I give Thee back the life I owe,
And in Thy ocean depths its flow
Shall richer, fuller be, that morn
shall tearless be.
O Love, O Love, O Love,
that will not let me go.

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God our Healer, we confess that though you have reconciled all the world unto yourself, we don't always live as reconciled people.

Sung Refrain: Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom. Jesus, remember, when you come into your kingdom.

You call us to love You with all of our heart, mind, strength, and soul and to love our neighbors, near and far. Yet too often we love only those who love us back.

Sung Refrain: Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom. Jesus, remember, when you come into your kingdom.

You call us to bear witness to the world's pain, to bear one another's burdens, and to bear forth your light and love in the world; but we are timid and fearful.

Sung Refrain: Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom. Jesus, remember, when you come into your kingdom.

Jesus, Lamb of God,

have mercy upon us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins,

have mercy upon us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world,

grant us peace.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

***GLORIA PATRI**

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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. Amen.

PROCLAMATION

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God of the Lenten journey, help us to hear your Word with fresh ears and see your people through a new lens, a lens of love for all. Fill us with your Spirit, we pray; Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Mark 12:28-34

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Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

MOMENT WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

ANTHEM

O Love

– Elaine Hagenberg

SERMON

Mission Trip Participants
Love God. Love Neighbor.

RESPONDING

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN OF AFFIRMATION

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In Christ There Is No East or West

*CREED

Philippians 2:5-11

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,
who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form,
he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death—
even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

— arr. Eric Thiman

In Christ There is No East or West

*DOXOLOGY

(Tune: Marion)

Praise God Who reigns on high, The Lord Whom we adore,
The Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, One God forevermore!
Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING

*HYMN

Jesu, Jesu Fill Us with Your Love

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*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE

(Tune: *Sine Nomine*)

Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,
For I am with you till the age shall end,
When all the hosts of glory cry 'Amen!' Alleluia. Alleluia!

Liturgist: Suzanne Engman

Greeter: Susan Durand

Ushers: Thank you to Dennis Sitzler's team. Next week: Don Wilson's team.

Special Music: This week's special music is being offered by the Sanctuary Choir. Next Sunday's special music will include the First Ringers and Youth Ensemble. The complete music schedule is available at fpcmesa.org/worship-planning.

Praise Band: Erin Skarphol, vocals; Karen Rudin, rhythm guitar/vocals; Mark Ramsey, piano/vocals; Paul Soderquist, drums

Sound Booth: Bob Schulz

Activity bags for children are available at the back of the sanctuary. These are for use during worship.

Visitors are encouraged to visit the Information Kiosk by the main doors of the sanctuary to learn more about the church's programs.

Audio assistance is available for those who may be unable to adequately hear the service. Please see an usher for assistance.

Check the bulletin boards in the church office for information regarding events or opportunities in the life of the church and the community.

Bulletin Recycling. If you do not want to take your bulletin home, please take it to the recycling basket at the back of the sanctuary.

Prayer Chain: If you or a family member need special prayers, email prayer@fpcmesa.org or call the church office. If the prayer request is for a friend, you must first have *permission from that friend* to make the request public on the Prayer Chain.

If you are hospitalized or confined at home due to illness, call the church office at 480-964-8606 to let us know. Please note: If you are in the hospital, let us know what your room number is. In order to comply with new stricter government regulations to protect patients' privacy, hospitals refuse to provide any information, including room numbers.

Sanctuary Flowers are a way for you to recall a special person or event in your life. Flowers are available at a cost of \$50 or you may notify the church office of your desire to furnish your own flowers. You may take the flowers that Sunday or leave them for the Deacons to deliver. If you are interested in providing flowers, fill out the form found at the Kiosk or in the office. After completion, please return it to the office, along with a check and instructions.

Coffee time will follow the service.
 The hosts today are John John Schlak & Karelle Reidhoefer.
 Baked goods are provided by Barbara Walker & Gail Wylie.

POSTLUDE

Sortie

— Richard Knight

Activities for the Week of March 24, 2019

Today, 3/24	9:00a.m.	Worship, Sanctuary
	10:15a.m.	Christian Education
	11:00a.m.	HolyGrounds CoffeeHouse Service, Fellowship Hall (FH)
	2:30p.m.	Matinee Theater, FH
Tuesday, 3/26	4:00p.m.	Colby's Missing Memory rehearsal, Choir Room
Wednesday, 3/27	7:30a.m.	Men's Fellowship, FH
	8:30a.m.	Dave's Crew
	5:00p.m.	WRAP
	6:00p.m.	Adult Bible Study
	6:00p.m.	First Ringers, Bell Room
	7:00p.m.	Choir, Choir Room
Thursday, 3/28	6:30p.m.	Dei Gloriam, Bell Room
Friday, 3/29	7:00p.m.	Scouts, Youth Room
Saturday, 3/30	9:30a.m.	AGYG Cast Party, FH

Upcoming Events

March 24	Matinee Theater
March 31	Monthly Food Drive
April 14	Palm Sunday / Worship in the Courtyard (one 10:00 a.m. service)
April 21	Easter — Services at 9:00 and 11:00
April 28	Youth Sunday (one 10:00 a.m. service) Session meets at 12:30p.m. Colby's Missing Memory Musical

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