

Worship Guide

Third Sunday of Lent

Sunday, March 7, 2021

Welcome

Announcements

Opening Song: *As the deer*

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*As the deer pants for the water,
So my soul longs after you.
You alone are my heart's desire,
And I long to worship you.*

*You alone are my strength my shield;
To you alone may be spirit yield.
You alone are my heart's desire,
And I long to worship you.*

Call to Worship

L: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you

P: **And also with you**

L: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

P: **God's mercy endures for ever.**

Opening Prayer

Jesus, Lamb of God, when you walked this earth you did not consider heavenly equality, though that was yours to choose, but took the role of servant, and in humility and obedience allowed the rough nails of our sin to be hammered into your flesh for the sake of our salvation. And so it is that we acknowledge you as Lord of all, to the glory of God the Father, Son and Spirit, Three. Amen.

Scripture lesson: John 2: 13 - 22

MESSAGE: Religion run amok!

SONG BEFORE & AFTER TIME OF PRAYER: *Nothing Can Trouble*

**Nothing can trouble, nothing can frighten
Those who seek God shall never go wanting.
Nothing can trouble, nothing can frighten
God alone fills us.**

Concerns and Prayers (Prayers for ourselves and others.)

Together let us pray:

For the people of this congregation....

For those who suffer and those in trouble....

For the concerns of this local community....

For the world, it's peoples, and it's leaders....

For the Church universal- it's leaders, it's members, and it's mission....

In communion with the saints...



OFFERING

This is an opportunity to share the goodness that has been given to you. Consider sending an offering to Centenary, either online through the website, www.centenaryfaith.org, or by sending a check to PO Box 630, Skowhegan, ME 04976. You are also invited to support an organization or church in our local community that is making a positive difference in people's lives.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord's Prayer:

**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.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

CLOSING HYMN: Here I am Lord

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**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 their darkness bright.....Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?**

Chorus:

**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 for love alone
I will speak my word to them
Whom shall I send?**

**I the Lord of wind and flame.....I will tend the poor and lame
I will set a feast for them.....My hand will save**

**Finest bread I will provide.....Til their hearts be satisfied
I will give my life to them
Whom shall I send?**

BENEDICTION