

FOURTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Worship for the Lord's Day March 14, 2021

PRELUDES

Jon, Willie, Liz, Burns

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are now allowing up to 20 people to be present in-person for Sunday worship.
Please sign up ahead of time (online, or with Rev. Debbie).
Follow protocol: Masks, social distancing, online pre-screen.

**Tuesday, March 16, is the one year anniversary of our evening Zoom Prayer Services.
Please join us promptly at 6pm for a special edition.**

GBIO Update

This Tuesday is also the day for the GBIO "Refounding" Action on Zoom, 7pm-8:15

We welcome 19 new member institutions!!

950 registered to attend so far.

LAURA BLANTON HAS THE REGISTRATION LINK in the CHAT

March- May: A campaign of house meetings to identify are major concerns
(A zoom campaign. Tell Laura Blanton or Burns if you want to help organize)

We can ultimately present our key issues to mayoral candidates.

TRAINING FOR LEADING ZOOM HOUSE MEETINGS: March 23 and March 30

- This Week: Lenten Prayer Service Every Night at 6pm (Zoom) TUESDAY is the One Year Anniv.
- Meals every day, Monday thru Friday, 11am-1pm - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
- Learning Pod on WEDNESDAY - VOLUNTEER with KATIE
- Weekly Prayer Groups sponsored by the deacons (links on website; each is 30 minutes long):
 - Mondays at 8am with Brent
 - Thursdays at 8pm with Jacob B and Laura M
 - Fridays at 8:30am with Michelle
- MONDAY Lenten opportunity: 4:30-5:30 with Deb - "Dwelling in the Word" (like lectio divina)
- TUESDAY Lenten Book Club: 6:40-7:30 with Burns - reading Caste by Isabel Wilkerson
(NO CLASS this week. Please attend GBIO Tuesday night!! For March 23, read Part 5)
- WEDNESDAY Lenten discussion: 6:40-7:30 with Ken, Mark, Burns & others: 12 Steps & Christianity, using as our resource "The Big Book." (For this week on Step 3, read Ch. 5)
- LENT in 2021: "Consider the Habits That Shape Our Lives"
SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS FOR ADULTS: "The Science of Habit" - 9:30am, led by Becca

HOLY WEEK: (more planning on the way, but so far we have...)

Palm Sunday (March 28)- We present the Passion Play in a hybrid version on Zoom

Maundy Thursday (April 1)- Still in the works.... Maybe outdoor food?...

Good Friday (April 2)- OUTDOOR Stations of the Cross, 10:45am at St. Monica's

Easter (April 4)- OUTDOOR Sunrise Service with Roxbury Pres, 6:15am, CARSON BEACH

Please write announcements & prayer requests in the Zoom Chat Section.

DO YOU WANT A CALL? Tell Deb Duval or Katie Cole in the chat and we will call you today.

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Brothers and sisters, How lovely is God's dwelling place!

People: At God's altars, even the sparrow finds a home for herself

L: The Spirit invites us in these 40 days of wilderness to examine our lives

P: Consider the habits that shape us.

L: We bring to this moment our best instincts and we bring those we pray might change

P: With Jesus we step into the wilderness, walking a Holy Way

L: Take, o take us as we are, Holy God

P: Summon out what we will be.

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT, PSALM (Grayson Slade)
Testimony on "Consider the Habits That Shape Us (Barry Monteiro)
PRAYER (Katie Cole)

*HYMN – *O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High* (#618) (Tune is #847, *O WALY WALY*)
Words by Thomas a Kempis, 15th cent.

O love, how deep, how broad, how high,
beyond all thought and fantasy,
that God, the Son of God, should take
our mortal form for mortals' sake.

For us baptized, for us he bore
his holy fast and hungered sore;
for us temptations sharp he knew,
for us the tempter overthrew.

Interlude...

For us by wickedness betrayed,
for us, in crown of thorns arrayed,
he bore the shameful cross and death,
for us gave up his dying breath.

For us he rose from death again;
for us he went on high to reign;
for us he sent the Spirit here
to guide, to strengthen and to cheer.

Interlude...

All glory to our Lord and God
for love so deep, so high, so broad,
the Trinity whom we adore
forever and forevermore. Forever and forevermore.

LITURGY OF CONFESSION

(J.Y.Lee, in the sanctuary)

Unison Prayer. Holy God, we open our hearts to you this day, and offer the truth of our lives:
The fear that stifles us, the prejudice that blinds us,
the ignorance that hobbles us, the doubt that plagues us.
Help us, we pray, that we will find courage in unlikely places,
see the world with new and gracious eyes, move to those places where love is needed,
have faith that you are with us.
This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Time for Silent Confession

Sung Response: (#698)

Take O take me as I am. Summon out what I may be.
Set your seal upon my heart and live in me.

*LITURGY OF PARDON

Leader: Seekers of the Holy, God's love calls to us

People: In Christ, God places in us a divine compass

L: The Spirit that always points us toward God

P: Let us turn toward God, who calls us home!

L: And let us say together:

ALL: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

SING: 1. *I've got a feeling everything's gonna be alright.....*
2. *The Holy Ghost done told me...*

TIME FOR CHILDREN -

(Katie Cole)

CELEBRATIONS, CONCERNS & PRAYER

PRAYER REQUESTS – Requests in the sanctuary
Requests written in the "Zoom Chat Section" (shared by Deb Duval)

PASTORAL PRAYER Burns

*HYMN – *There is a Wideness in God's Mercy* (435) (The Sanchez Home)

