

SUN Mar 17 8:15AM

Worship Service for THE LORD'S DAY

FIFTH SUNDAY IN **LENT**

FOX CHAPEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcome to Worship

Words printed in **bold** are for the congregation to speak in unison.

* An invitation to rise in body or spirit.

PRELUDE

Adore and Be Still

Lani Smith

Rev. Ginger Thomas

Rev. Rebecca DePoe

WELCOME AND INVITATIONS

CALL TO WORSHIP

From Bethlehem to Nazareth, from Jordan to Jericho, from Bethany to Jerusalem, from then to now, **come, Lord Jesus.**

To heal the sick, to mend the brokenhearted, to comfort the disturbed, to disturb the comfortable, to cleanse the temple, to liberate faith from convention,

come, Lord Jesus.

To carry the cross, to lead the way, to shoulder the sin of the world and take it away, **come, Lord Jesus.**

Today, to this place, to us, come, Lord Jesus.

* HYMN 223

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Hamburg

CALL TO CONFESSION AND SILENT PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Most merciful God, whose Son, Jesus Christ, was tempted in every way, yet was without sin, we confess before you our own sinfulness; we have hungered after that which does not satisfy; we have compromised with evil; we have doubted your power to protect us. Forgive our lack of faith; have mercy on our weakness. Restore in us such trust and love that we may walk in your ways and delight in doing your will. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Glory to God! Amen.

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you. And also with you.

All are invited to exchange signs of reconciliation and peace with others.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Psalm 29 (OT, pg. 504) Mark 10:35-45 (NT, pg. 47)

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

OFFERING *Please complete a connect card and place it in the offering plate.*

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

This is Christ's table, and all who seek to follow Christ are welcome at this table, regardless of their age or understanding. Parents are encouraged to bring their children to participate in the sacrament. The opportunity to eat and drink with Christ is not a right bestowed upon the worthy but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty.... ...and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ, whom you sent in the fullness of time... ...in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and cup... ...your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

Today we will receive by intinction. Starting with the front row, come forward by the middle aisle with open hands. Receive a piece of bread, dip it into the juice, and eat. Gluten-free sealed elements are available on the table.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Thank you, gracious God, for giving us bread for the journey of these forty days. As we travel on through the wilderness help us to share your grace with others and draw us ever closer to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

* **BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

How Firm a Foundation

Bonnie Barrett

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