

### March 20, 2022 – Third Sunday of Lent

#### **At Home Bulletin**

## **GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 47 (Hymnal, p.803)

# INVOCATION

## SONGS OF PRAISE

#### Joy to the World! The Lord is Come

Joy to the world! The Lord is come: let earth receive her King; let every heart prepare him room, and heav'n and nature sing, and heav'n and nature sing, and heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.

Joy to the earth! The Savior reigns: let men their songs employ; while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy, repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

No more let sins and sorrows grow, nor thorns infest the ground; he comes to make his blessings flow far as the curse is found, far as the curse is found, far as, far as the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove the glories of his righteousness and wonders of his love, and wonders of his love, and wonders, wonders of his love. Isaac Watts, 1719; Music: ANTIOCH, George Frederick Handel, 1742.

### Come, Thou Almighty King

Come, thou Almighty King, help us thy name to sing, help us to praise. Father, all glorious, o'er all victorious, come and reign over us, Ancient of Days.

Come, thou Incarnate Word, gird on thy mighty sword, our prayer attend. Come, and thy people bless, and give thy word success; Spirit of holiness on us descend.

Come, Holy Comforter, thy sacred witness bear in this glad hour. Thou who almighty art, now rule in every heart, and ne'er from us depart, Spirit of pow'r.

To the great One in Three eternal praises be, hence evermore. His sovereign majesty may we in glory see, and to eternity love and adore. Felice de Giardini. © Public Domain

## **CONFESSION OF SIN**

Christ, is Savior, King and Head of his Church Yet we have denied our need to be in submission to him. We have denied our need to be in submission to one another. Forgive us for declaring we have no need of the body of Christ through our selfishness, pride, and apathy.

Restore us to real community, O Lord.

Teach us anew how to suffer and rejoice together. Forgive our self-promotion and help us to delight in one another. Help us to show the glory of Christ through obedience motivated by love for you and our brothers and sisters.

## SILENT CONFESSION

### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

### Titus 2:11-14

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

### **PROFESSION OF FAITH**

Christians, what do we believe? We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead. and the life of the world to come. Amen. Nicene Creed

# **OFFERING OUR GIFTS**

### PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your 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 yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## HYMN OF PREPARATION

### O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee; I give thee back the life I owe, that in thine ocean depths its flow May richer, fuller be.

O Light that follow'st all my way, I yield my flick'ring torch to thee; My heart restores its borrowed ray, that in thy sunshine's blaze its day May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through 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 Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from thee; I lay in dust life's glory dead, and from the ground there blossoms red Life that shall endless be.

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### **SCRIPTURE READING\***

Pew Bible p.230

I Samuel 8:1-22

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

**SERMON** "Like the Nations?" Pastor Ian Hard

[Please find the sermon outline and/or space for notes after the *Benediction* at the end of bulletin.]

# **CHILDREN'S SERMON**

## **HYMN OF RESPONSE\***

#### Gloria Patri

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. Public Domain

# **CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION**

If you are following along at home, please refrain from taking Communion as it is a form of worship meant to be celebrated in the physical presence of the body of Chris

# **MERCY OFFERING**

## HYMN OF SENDING

#### In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found. He is my Light, my strength, my song. This Cornerstone, this solid ground, Firm through the fiercest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace When fears are stilled, when strivings cease. My Comforter, my all in all – Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone who took on flesh, Fullness of God in helpless Babe. This gift of love and righteousness, Scorned by the ones He came to save. 'Til on that cross as Jesus died The wrath of God was satisfied, For ev'ry sin on Him was laid – Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay – Light of the world by darkness slain. Then bursting forth in glorious day Up from the grave He rose again! And as He stands in victory Sin's curse has lost its grip on me, For I am His and He is mine – Bought with the precious blood of Christ. No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the pow'r of Christ in me. From life's first cry, to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny. No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man Can ever pluck me from His hand, 'Til He returns or calls me home – Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand. CCLI Song #3350395. © 2001 Thankyou Music. Keith Getty / Stuart Townend. For use soleby in accordance with the SongSelect Advanced Terms of Agreement. All rights Reserved. CCLI License #1843

**BENEDICTION** Sermon NOTES: Like the Nations?