

Order for the Public Worship of God

The Twenty-seventh Day of March, Two Thousand and Eleven

Third Sunday in Lent

8:15 and 11:00 a.m. • The Sanctuary

*As you enter the Sanctuary, please assume a quiet and respectful attitude of worship.
Please turn off your cell phone.*

ORGAN PRELUDE: "Andante Sostenuto from Symphonie Gothique" C.M. Widor

Lenora Morrow, Organist

CALL TO WORSHIP Timothy L. Russell

✦HYMN OF LOVE: "I Will Sing of My Redeemer"HYFRYDOL

**I will sing of my Redeemer and His wondrous love to me;
On the cruel cross He suffered, from the curse to set me free.**

*Sing, O sing of my Redeemer! With His blood He purchased me;
On the cross He sealed my pardon, paid the debt and made me free.*

**I will tell the wondrous story, how my lost estate to save,
In His boundless love and mercy, He the ransom freely gave.**

**I will praise my dear Redeemer, His triumphant pow'r I'll tell,
How the victory He giveth over sin and death and hell.**

✦READING FROM THE PSALMS: Psalm 36:5-10 Ben J. Scott (8:15)
Christopher M. Taylor (11:00)

Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens,
your faithfulness to the clouds.

**Your righteousness is like the mountains of God;
your judgments are like the great deep;
man and beast you save, O Lord.**

How precious is your steadfast love, O God!
The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

**They feast on the abundance of your house,
and you give them drink from the river of your delights.**

For with you is the fountain of life;
in your light do we see light.

**Oh, continue your steadfast love to those who know you,
and your righteousness to the upright of heart!**

✦CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE. HYFRYDOL

**I will sing of my Redeemer and His heav'nly love to me;
He from death to life has brought me, Son of God, with Him to be.**

*Sing, O sing of my Redeemer! With His blood He purchased me;
On the cross He sealed my pardon, paid the debt and made me free.*

✦PRAYER OF ADORATION

SACRAMENT OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM (11:00)

*Margaret Mae Hamilton, born of November 22, 2009, daughter of Melissa and Cliff Hamilton
Sarah Candler Sutton, born of November 8, 2010, daughter of Sallie and Robert Sutton
Samuel Wilkes Harris, born August 14, 2010, son of Katie and Stuart Harris
Hudson Edward Knight, born September 29, 2009, son of Jennifer and Chip Knight
Margaret Elise Rawlinson, born October 10, 2010, daughter of Rebecca and John Rawlinson
McKayla Yates Rawlinson, born June 16, 2008, daughter of Rebecca and John Rawlinson
Worthington Majors Warren, born November 21, 2010, son of Lenox and Matthew Warren*

PARENTAL VOWS

Do you acknowledge your child’s need of the cleansing blood of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?

Do you claim God’s covenant promises on his behalf, and do you look to the Lord Jesus Christ for his salvation, as you do for your own?

Do you unreservedly dedicate your child to God, and promise in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before him a godly example, that you will pray with and for him, that you will teach him the sacred Scriptures, and that you will strive by all the means that God provides you, to bring him up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

CONGREGATIONAL VOW

Do you undertake the responsibility to assist these parents in the Christian nurture of their child?

SONG OF ENCOURAGEMENT: “Jesus Loves You” JESUS LOVES ME

**Jesus loves you, this we know, for the Bible tells us so;
Little ones to Him belong, you are weak but He is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves you! Yes, Jesus loves you!
Yes, Jesus loves you! The Bible tells us so.**

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Lord Jesus Christ,
the love You have for Your people is deeper than the ocean,
more vast than the heavens,
and more intimate than a mother with her newborn baby.
There is nothing that can separate us from Your love,
but we confess that we have not responded faithfully to Your love.
We have served ourselves before serving You;
we have satisfied ourselves outside of our relationship with You;
and we have put good things You have lovingly given us
at the center of our lives where only You belong.
Please forgive us our sins and restore us anew with Your love.
In Jesus’ name. Amen.**

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

SONG OF ASSURANCE: “Loved with Everlasting Love”arr. Paul Jones

Loved with everlasting love, led by grace that love to know;
Gracious Spirit from above, Thou hast taught me it is so!
O, this full and perfect peace! O, this transport all divine!
In a love which cannot cease, I am His, and He is mine.
In a love which cannot cease, I am His, and He is mine.

Heav’n above is softer blue, earth around is sweeter green!
Something lives in every hue Christless eyes have never seen;
Birds with gladder songs o’erflow, flow’rs with deeper beauties shine,
Since I know, as now I know, I am His, and He is mine.
Since I know, as now I know, I am His, and He is mine.

His forever, only His; who the Lord and me shall part?
Ah, with what a rest of bliss Christ can fill the loving heart!
Heav’n and earth may fade and flee, firstborn light in gloom decline;
But while God and I shall be, I am His, and He is mine.
But while God and I shall be, I am His, and He is mine.

Ginger Statom, Soloist

♠ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE EVERLASTING LOVE

**Taste the goodness of the Lord: welcomed home to His embrace,
All His love as blood outpoured seals the pardon of His grace.
Can I doubt His love for me, when I trace that love’s design?
By the cross of Calvary I am His and He is mine.
By the cross of Calvary I am His and He is mine.**

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS TO GOD D. Todd Erickson

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "O Love That Will Not Let Me Go" Ralph Manuel

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 foll'west all my way, I yield my flick'ring torch to Thee;
My heart restores its borrowed ray, that in Thy sunshine's glow 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.

*The Westminster Singers (8:15), The Chancel Choir (11:00)
Gabriel C. Statom, Director of Music*

✦DOXOLOGY OLD HUNDRETH

**Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

✦PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

✦GREETINGS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN (8:15)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND 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.**

READING FROM THE GOSPELS Ephesians 5:21-6:4
(page 978 in pew Bible)

All flesh is grass, and all its beauty is like the flower of the field;

**The grass withers, the flower fades,
but the Word of our God will stand forever. Amen.** *(Isaiah 40:6b, 8)*

SERMON *The Jesus Mission:
Serving Our Families* A. Mitchell Moore

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

✦HYMN OF LOVE: No. 597 "Though I May Speak with Bravest Fire" GIFT OF LOVE

✦BENEDICTION

✦CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: "Festive Trumpet Tune" David German

✦Indicates congregation standing *CCLI License #252778*