



Mid-week Lenten Service

6:45 PM

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Second Week of Lent: Mid-week Service

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WELCOME
PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP¹

L: When we enter the doors to worship and when we exit the doors into our lives...

P: We remember that Jesus said, "I am the door."

L: When we find ourselves hungering for more or better or different...

P: We remember that Jesus said, "I am the bread of life."

L: When we find ourselves feeling isolated, separated from the community you intend for us...

P: We remember that Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd."

L: When we need to reach out and serve, and are seeking energy and strength to do it...

P: We remember that Jesus said, "I am the true vine."

L: When we are unsure of the path ahead and what to do next...

P: We remember that Jesus said, "I am the light of the world."

L: In this time of worship, we honor the great "I AM" and we pray for the courage to be who God has called us to be.

P: We look to Jesus who is the way, the truth, and the life.

***OPENING HYMN NO. 2234 (FWS, see p. 4)**

Lead On, O Cloud of Presence

*Those for whom it is comfortable, please rise.

*TIME OF CONFESSION

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

L: You asked for my hands, O God, that you might use them for your purpose.

P: I gave them for a moment, then withdrew them, for the work was hard.

L: You asked for my mouth to speak out against injustice.

P: I gave you a whisper that I might not be accused.

L: You asked for my eyes to see the pain of poverty.

P: I closed them, for I did not want to see.

L: You asked for my life that you might work through me.

P: I gave a small part that I might not get too involved.

L: Lord, forgive my calculated efforts to serve you,

P: only when it is convenient for me to do so, only in those places where it is safe to do so, and only with those who make it easy to do so.

L: Father, forgive me. Father, forgive us.

P: Renew us and send us out as usable instruments that we might take seriously the meaning of your cross.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ACT OF PRAISE NO. 2036 (FWS, see p. 5)

Give Thanks

ALL SING: Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One, give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his Son. And now let the weak say, "I am strong"; let the poor say, "I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us." Give thanks!

WORSHIP CHOIR ANTHEM

Jesus I Come

by Stebbins

SCRIPTURE

TOGETHER WE LEARN AND DISCERN

TIME OF PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

ALL: 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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.

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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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³The prayer of confession is adapted from a confession written by Joe Seremane.

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Lead On, O Cloud of Presence


$\text{♩} = 80$

Piano




1. Lead on, O cloud of Pres - ence, the ex - o - dus is come, in
2. Lead on, O fier - y Pil - lar, we fol - low yet with fears, but
3. Lead on, O God of free - dom, and guide us on our way, and

6




wil - der - ness and des - ert our tribe shall make its home. Our
we shall come re - joic - ing though joy be born of tears. We
help us trust the prom - ise through strug - gle and de - lay. We

10



slav - ery left be - hind us, new hopes with - in us grow. We
are not lost, though wan - dering, for by your light we come, and
pray our sons and daugh - ters may jour - ney to that land where

14



seek the land of prom - ise where milk and hon - ey flow,
we are still God's peo - ple. The jour - ney is our home.
jus - tice dwells with mer - cy and love is law's de - mand.

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Give Thanks

$\text{♩} = 80$

Piano

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff in 4/4 time. It consists of five lines of music. The first line starts with a piano dynamic marking and a tempo marking of quarter note = 80. The lyrics are: 'Give thanks with a great - ful heart, give thanks to the'. The second line starts with a measure rest of 5 measures, then continues with: 'Ho - ly One, give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ his'. The third line starts with a measure rest of 9 measures, then continues with: 'Son. And now let the weak say, "I am strong"; let the poor say, "I am'. The fourth line starts with a measure rest of 14 measures, then continues with: 'rich be - cause of what the Lord has done for us." Give thanks!'. The fifth line starts with a measure rest of 19 measures, then continues with a long, low note that spans the entire line, ending with a double bar line.

Give thanks with a great - ful heart, give thanks to the

5
Ho - ly One, give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ his

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Son. And now let the weak say, "I am strong"; let the poor say, "I am

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rich be - cause of what the Lord has done for us." Give thanks!

19

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As a Fire Is Meant for Burning

$\text{♩} = 80$

Piano

The musical score is written for piano in 3/4 time with a tempo of 80 beats per minute. It consists of six staves of music, each with three lines of lyrics underneath. The lyrics are arranged in three columns per line, corresponding to the three verses. The first staff (measures 1-3) contains the first three lines of lyrics. The second staff (measures 4-6) contains the next three lines. The third staff (measures 7-9) contains the next three lines. The fourth staff (measures 10-12) contains the next three lines. The fifth staff (measures 13-15) contains the next three lines. The sixth staff (measures 16-18) contains the final three lines. The lyrics are as follows:

1. As a fire is meant for burning with a
 2. We are learn - ers; we are teach - ers; we are
 3. As a green bud in the spring - time is a

4
 bright and warm - ing flame, so the church is meant for
 pill - grims on the way. We are seek - ers; we are
 sign of life re - newed, so may we be signs of

7
 mis - sion, giv - ing glo - ry to God's name. Not to
 giv - ers; we are ves - sels made of clay. By our
 one - ness 'mid earth's peo - ples, man - y hues. As a

10
 preach our creeds or cus - toms, but to build a bridge of
 gen - tile, lov - ing ac - tions we would show that Christ is
 rain - bow lights the heav - ens when a storm is past and

13
 care, we join hands a - cross the na - tions, find - ing
 light. In a hum - ble, lis - tening Spir - it we would
 gone, may our lives re - flect the ra - diance of God's

16
 neigh - bors ev - ery - where.
 live to God's de - light.
 new and glo - rious dawn.

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