



LENT

Mid-week Lenten Service

6:45 PM

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Third Week of Lent: Mid-week Service

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WELCOME

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP¹ (using FWS # 2218², see p. 4)

L: Where shall we find the Lord?

P: The darkness surrounds us, and the silence deafens our hearts.

ALL SING: I will come to you in the silence, I will lift you from all your fear. You will hear my voice, I claim you as my choice, be still and know I am here. Do not be afraid, I am with you. I have called you each by name. Come and follow me, I will bring you home; I love you and you are mine.

L: We are trapped in our fears and sorrows. Who will rescue us?

P: We need to hear the word of hope from God.

ALL SING: I am hope for all who are hopeless, I am eyes for all who long to see. In the shadows of the night, I will be your light, come and rest in me. Do not be afraid, I am with you. I have called you each by name. Come and follow me, I will bring you home; I love you and you are mine.

L: Our hearts rejoice and our spirits sing. God has rescued us and brings us home.

P: Thanks be to God who has heard our cries, healed our wounds, and restored our lives. AMEN.

ALL SING: I am strength for all the despairing, healing for the ones who dwell in shame. All the blind will see, the lame will all run free, and all will know my name. Do not be afraid, I am with you. I have called you each by name. Come and follow me, I will bring you home; I love you and you are mine.

*Those for whom it is comfortable, please rise.

ALL SING: I am the Word that leads all to freedom, I am the peace the world cannot give. I will call your name, embracing all your pain, stand up, now walk, and live! Do not be afraid, I am with you. I have called you each by name. Come and follow me, I will bring you home; I love you and you are mine.

***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*³

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!

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

SCRIPTURE

TOGETHER WE LEARN AND DISCERN

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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.

CLOSING HYMN NO. 2056 (FWS, see p. 6)

God is So Good^A

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

¹ <https://www.ministrymatters.com/all/entry/1029/worship-connection-4th-sunday-of-easter-yr-a>

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You Are Mine



1. I will come to you in the si - lence,
 2. I am hope for all who are hope - less,
 3. I am strength for all the des - pair - ing,
 4. am the Word that leads all to free - dom, I



I will lift you from all your fear.
 I am eyes for all who long to see. In the
 heal - ing for the ones who dwell in shame.
 am the peace the world can - not give.



You will hear my voice, I claim you as my choice, be
 shad - ows of the night, I will be your light,
 All the blind will see, the lame will all run free, and
 I will call your name, em - brac - ing all your pain, stand



still and know I am here. (To verse 2)
 come and rest in me. (To refrain)
 all will know my name. (To refrain)
 up, now walk, and live! (To refrain)

Refrain



Do not be a - fraid, I am with you. I have called you



each by name. Come and fol - low me, I will bring you



home; I love you and you are mine.

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Give Thanks

$\text{♩} = 80$

Piano

The musical score is written in a single system with five staves. The first staff is labeled 'Piano' and has a tempo marking of quarter note = 80. The music is in a 4/4 time signature and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The score consists of five staves of music, with measure numbers 5, 9, 14, and 19 indicated at the beginning of their respective staves. The final staff ends with a double bar line.

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

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

9
Son. And now let the weak say, "I am strong"; let the poor say, "I am

14
rich be - cause of what the Lord has done for us." Give thanks! _____

19

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God is So Good

♩ = 80

Piano

1. God is so good, God is so good,
2. God cares for me, God cares for me,
3. God loves me so, God loves me so,
4. God is so good, God is so good,

5

God is so good, God's so good to me.
God cares for me, God's so good to me.
God loves me so, God's so good to me.
God is so good, God's so good to me.

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