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March 19, 2023

8:00 & 10:30 AM

Third Sunday of Lent
Shoes

If you are a guest, thank you for worshiping with us today. We invite you to take a moment to complete a visitor's card located in the back of the pew in front of you and place it in the offering plate when it is passed. We also invite you to sign your name in our guest book located in the back entrance of the sanctuary.

We welcome infants and children and all their wiggles & voices in our worship! For your comfort, we also have a children's corner in the back narthex where your child can relax and play and you can still participate in the worship experience. We also have nursery care downstairs during our 10:30 AM worship service. Additionally, after the children's message during the 10:30 AM service, children from 3 years old—6th grade are invited to participate in Sunday school in our classroom downstairs. They can choose to attend Sunday school or return to their seats to sit with their parents. Please see a member of the welcoming team for assistance!

(10:30 AM) **PRAISE TEAM OPENER** *Humble King* by Brown
(8:00 AM) **PRELUDE**
Lord I Want to be a Christian/Kum-Ba-Yah/There is a Balm in Gilead Medley arr. Prim

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS
MUSICAL INTERLUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP¹

L: Dusty sandals and dusty feet; war; earthquakes; broken buildings and shattered lives.

P: Not much has changed in the world since Jesus' time on earth.

L: During supper, Jesus bent down to wash the dusty feet of his disciples.

P: No one understood why he was doing this humble act.

L: As our Teacher and Lord, he was setting us an example to follow.

P: We can follow in his footsteps and wash the dusty feet of each other.

ALL: He wants us to wash the dusty sandals, to repair the shattered buildings and the broken lives.

***OPENING HYMN NO. 503 NCH** (black hymnal, see p. 4)

O Savior, Let Me Walk with You

(10:30 AM) **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

***TIME OF CONFESSION**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

P: Jesus, you loved us in the beginning and you loved us to the end. Even on the night you were betrayed, you took a towel, and washed our feet. We confess that we are reluctant to think of you doing such a humble task, least of all for us. Like Peter, we protest. We fail to see how love takes the lowly way, how it worked out in a thousand small acts of kindness, a thousand humilities. For ourselves we prefer the grand gestures, love that can be seen and applauded, love that first and foremost makes us feel good. You showed a different way. As you have broken your heart for us, may we open ours in service to others. As you have given your life for us, may we offer ours to bring healing to the world. Help us to be givers of love, but also make us humble enough to receive it. Jesus, Towel-bearer, Foot-washer, Cross-carrier, you have given us an example. We long to follow you, wherever you lead us. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ACT OF PRAISE NO. 780 NCH (black hymnal, see p. 5)

Doxology

ALL SING: Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, you heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

A TIME FOR SHARING

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY & DISCIPLESHIP & ONE GREAT
HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING

OFFERTORY *I Gave My Life for Thee* by Bliss

OFFERTORY RESPONSE NO. 417 (black hymnal, see p. 6, vs. 3 & 4)

This is a Day of New Beginnings

ALL SING: Then let us with the Spirit's daring, step from the past
and leave behind our disappointment, guilt, and grieving, seeking
new paths, and sure to find.

Christ is alive, and goes before us to show and share what love can do.
This is a day of new beginnings—our God is making all things new.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SCRIPTURE

Exodus 3:1-6

John 13:1-17

MESSAGE

FOOT WASHING & HYMN NO. 498 NCH (black hymnal, see p. 7)

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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. 537 (UM Hymnal, see p. 8) *Christian, Rise and Act Your Creed*

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

God Be with You/Now the Day Is Over/Blest Be the Tie Medley
arr. Prim

References

¹The Call to Worship was written by Barb Neff utilizing passages from the book, Lent in Plain Sight by Jill J. Duffield

²The Prayer of Confession is adapted from two liturgies. The first, written by Carol Penner, and found on her website, <https://carolpenner.typepad.com/leadinginworship/2011/04/maundy-thursday-confession.html>, and then second, written by Rev. Thom Shuman and posted on <https://www.liturgylink.net/2012/04/03/maundy-thursday-confession/>. Both prayers were accessed on March 15, 2023.

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O Savior Let Me Walk with You


Washington Gladden, 1879

H. Percy Smith, 1874

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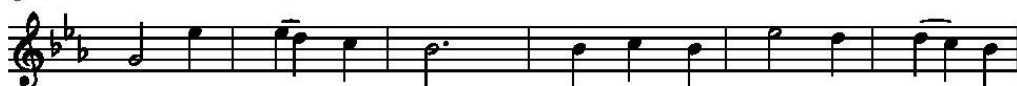
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Piano




1. O Sav-ior, let me walk with you in earth - ly
2. Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear
3. Teach me your pa-tience; let me be in clos - er
4. In hope that sends a shin - ing ray far down the

6



paths of ser - vice true; Tell me your se - cret, help me
win - ning word of love. Teach me the way - ward feet to
dear - er com - pa - ny, In work that keeps faith sweet and
fu - ture's broad ening way, In peace that on - ly you can

12



bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.
stay, and guide them in the home - ward way.
strong, in trust that tri - umphs o - ver wrong.
give, with you, O Sav - ior, let me live.

Doxology

Thomas Ken, 1674

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Piano $\text{♩} = 80$

Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise

4
God, all crea - tures here be - low; Praise God a - bove, you

7
heaven - ly host: Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

This is a Day of New Beginnings

Les Garrett, 1967

♩ = 80

Piano 

1. This is a day of new be - gin-nings,
2. For by the life and death of Je - sus,
3. Then let us, with the Spir - it's dar - ing,
4. Christ is a - live, and goes be - fore us

5 

time to re - mem - ber and move on,
God's might - y Spir - it, now as then,
step from the past and leave be - hind
to show and share what love can do.

9 

time to be - lieve what love is bring - ing,
can make for us a world of dif - ference,
our dis - a - point - ment, guilt, and griev - ing,
This is a day of new be - gin - nings

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lay - ing to rest the pain that's gone.
as faith and hope are born a - gain.
seek - ing new paths, and sure to find.
our God is mak - ing all things

2. 

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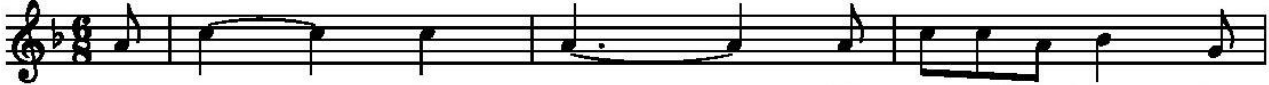
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Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

Traditional Mexican Folk Hymn, 1988


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Piano $\text{♩} = 80$



Je - su, Je - su, fill us with your love, show

5



us how to serve the neigh-bors we have from you.


1. Knelt at the feet of his
2. Neigh-bors are rich and
3. These are the ones we should
4. Lov - ing puts us on our
5. Kneel at the feet of our

9



friends, si - lent - ly wash - ing their feet, Je - su, you ac - ted as
poor, var - ied in col - or and race, neigh-bors are near and
serve, these are the ones we should love; all these are neigh-bors to
knees, show - ing our faith by our deeds, serv - ing the neigh-bors we
friends, si - lent - ly wash - ing their feet, this is the way we should

13



ser - vant to them.
far a - way.
us and you.
have from you.
live with you.

Christian, Rise and Act Your Creed

Francis Albert Rollo Russell, 1893

The Parish Choir, 1850

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Piano



1. Chris - tian, rise and act your creed; let your
2. Hearts a - round you sink with care; you can
3. Of - fer oth - ers hope and joy, and God's
4. Come then, law di - vine, and reign: faith that

4



prayer be in your deed; Seek the right, per - form the
help their load to bear; You can bring in - spir - ing
wor - ship your em - ploy; Giv - ing thanks in hum - ble
doubt as - sails in vain, Per - fect love be - reft of

7



true, raise your work and life a - new.
light, strength - en them to do the right.
zeal, learn - ing all God's will to feel.
fear, born in heaven and ra - dant here.