

# ***TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH***

**Order of Worship for March 21, 2021**

**Lent**

Gathering Music

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude –

Call to Worship

Let us worship God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ.

We are new creations; the old has gone, the new has come!

Let us worship God as Christ's ambassadors.

Through us and through our worship

may we announce the good news to all. Let us worship God in spirit  
and in truth. Praise God! We are reconciled, redeemed, renewed!

—based on John 4:24; 2 Corinthians 5:17-21

Anthem

Call to Confession

The very stone that the builders rejected

has become the chief cornerstone.

Come now to Christ, that living stone,

a cornerstone chosen and precious.

Whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.

Trusting in the Lord Jesus Christ,

let us confess our sins before God and one another.

—based on 1 Peter 2:4-7, NRSV

## Prayer of Confession

**Everlasting God, fountain of all life and the true home of every heart: our hearts are restless until they rest in you.**

**Yet we confess that our hearts have been enslaved by selfish passion and base desire.**

**We have sought after many things and have neglected the one thing needful.**

**We have not loved you with our whole hearts; help us to turn to you and find forgiveness.**

**Lead us home, that we may again find in you our life and joy and peace. Amen**

## Silent Confession

***(A time of silence will be observed for personal confession .)***

## Assurance of Pardon

Israel, put your hope in the Lord,  
for with the Lord is unfailing love  
and with him is full redemption.

He himself will redeem Israel  
from all their sins.

—Psalm 130:7-8, NIV

**Fairest Lord Jesus,  
Ruler of all nature,  
O Thou of God to earth come down,  
Thee will I cherish,  
Thee will I honor,  
Thou, my soul's glory, joy and crown.**

**Fair are the meadows,  
Fairer still the woodlands,  
Robed in the blooming garb of spring:  
Jesus is fairer,  
Jesus is purer,  
Who makes the woeful heart to sing.**

Sharing Our Faith with Our Children

**\*Hymn 85 What Wondrous Love Is This**

**What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,  
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!  
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss  
To bear the heavy cross for my soul, for my soul,  
To bear the heavy cross for my soul!**

**To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing,  
To God and to the Lamb I will sing;  
To God and to the Lamb who is the great I Am,  
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing;  
While millions join the theme, I will sing!**

**And when from death I'm free I'll sing on, I'll sing on,  
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on;  
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be,  
And through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,  
And through eternity I'll sing on!**

## **First Scripture Lesson**

**Jeremiah 31:31-34**

<sup>31</sup> The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>32</sup> It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. <sup>33</sup> But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. <sup>34</sup> No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the Lord,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

<sup>20</sup> Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. <sup>21</sup> They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” <sup>22</sup> Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. <sup>23</sup> Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. <sup>24</sup> Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. <sup>25</sup> Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. <sup>26</sup> Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

<sup>27</sup> “Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—‘Father, save me from this hour’? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. <sup>28</sup> Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” <sup>29</sup> The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” <sup>30</sup> Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. <sup>31</sup> Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. <sup>32</sup> And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” <sup>33</sup> He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

**\*Hymn 276 Great Is Thy Faithfulness**

**Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father,  
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;  
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not;  
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.**

**Refrain:**

**Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;  
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!**

**Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,  
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above,  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love. [Refrain]**

**Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! [Refrain]**

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory –

\*Doxology (Hymn 592)

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

\*Sending Forth and Benediction

\*Choral Response

**God of Grace and God of Glory**

**God of grace and God of glory,  
on thy people pour thy power;  
crown thine ancient church's story;  
bring its bud to glorious flower.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
for the facing of this hour,  
for the facing of this hour.**

Postlude

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