



# Third Sunday in Lent

March 23, 2014

## THE COMMUNITY GATHERS TO SERVE GOD

CHIMING THE HOUR

WORDS OF WELCOME

CHILDREN'S MOMENT *(Children ages 3 yrs – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade are invited to gather on the steps of the altar.)* †

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF THE DAY

PRELUDE.....arr. Renfrow  
*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

\*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP.....Emily Nutting

Leader: *Jesus left Judea and started back to Galilee. But he had to go through Samaria. So he came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.*

People: **A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink."**

Leader: *The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria? (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.)"*

People: **Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water."**

Unison: **We come here today tired and thirsty. May our hearts be washed anew this hour by the healing, living water of God's love. Let us worship God.**

\*WORSHIP HYMN.....CH. 108  
*Lift High the Cross*

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST.....Ivy Kelly

\*INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

Lord God, You brought forth from the rock a spring of living water for your parched people. You taught a dry, thirsty woman how to draw from the well of life. So today, God, bring forth from the hardness of our hearts sincere tears of repentance, that we may be able to weep for our sins and obtain by Your mercy their forgiveness. Receive us this hour, Lord, and deliver our hearts from all temptations of evil thoughts. Make us a dwelling place for Your Spirit. In the name of the One who refreshes and empowers us, Christ our Lord, we pray this day, saying, "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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass 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 and ever." Amen.

\*GLORIA PATRI.....CH. 35

## THE COMMUNITY PROCLAIMS THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST READING (pg 865)..... John 4:11-15

ANTHEM.....arr. Larkin  
*Were You There*

SECOND READING (pg 865).....John 4:16-30, 39-42

SERMON.....Rev. Cyd Cowgill  
*The Shadow of Conflict*

CHORAL RESPONSE.....Taize`  
*Our Eyes are Turned to the Lord*

PRAYER SCRIPTURE (pg 479).....Psalm 95:6-11

SILENT MEDITATION AND PRAYER

PRAYER RESPONSE: *If we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us of all unrighteousness. Thanks be to God.*

## THE COMMUNITY COMES TOGETHER AT THE LORD'S TABLE

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

OFFERTORY.....arr. East Wells  
*Like a River Glorious*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Wellspring of Life, in this time of offering and throughout our days, let us be conduits of Your living water, meeting the thirsts of others with Your grace that constantly wells inside of us. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

\*THE DOXOLOGY.....CH. 528  
*Give Thanks*

COMMUNION MEDITATION

COMMUNION HYMN.....CH. 402 (vs. 1 & 3)  
*According to Thy Gracious Word*

*The Lord's Table is open for all people. Christ has set the table before us. It is by His invitation we are fed. You may eat the bread as it is passed and drink the cup at the conclusion of the Words of Institution.*

PRAYER FOR THE BREAD.....Debbie Friberg

PRAYER FOR THE CUP.....Diane Loftis

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS.....arr. Berry  
*I Need Thee Every Hour*

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

**THE COMMUNITY GOES FORTH TO SERVE GOD IN MISSION**

**INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP**

**\*HYMN OF INVITATION.....CH. 351**

*Fill My Cup, Lord*

*During the singing of the Hymn of Invitation, we invite anyone wishing to become a Christian or wishing to unite with this congregation, to please come forward.*

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\* TAKING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD**

**\*POSTLUDE**

**\*PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE**

‡ Children Preschool – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade may attend Children Worship & Wonder  
Youth attend LIVE BIG!

**DIACONATE SERVING TODAY**

Christie Wells, Andrew Wells, Marla Terry, Charles Kelly



*Thank you for worshipping at West Side Christian Church today.  
We hope you have received a blessing this morning, and that you will experience  
God's presence in the week ahead.  
See you next Sunday!*



***The Welcome Loaf***

*We offer a loaf of homemade bread to first time visitors as an expression of our appreciation for your presence. Please greet Rev. Cyd at the door following worship to receive your loaf.*



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# Into the Shadows



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