

4th Sunday in Lent, Year B Mar 14, 2021

INVITATION AND GATHERING

WELCOME

CENTERING WORDS

Do I trust God's goodness wherever I go and whatever I do?
Am I ready to follow Jesus, wherever he leads me?

***SCRIPTURE READING** Hebrews 12:25-29

*** OPENING HYMN: # 176**.....Majesty, Worship His Majesty

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Those who believe in Jesus know he is the Son of God, our Lord and Savior.

People: Would that our whole world knew Jesus as Lord and Savior!

Leader: He is like a shepherd who faithfully cares for his flock, protecting them with his life.

People: We come eager to know his voice, willing to follow wherever he leads, for we know he is the source of eternal life.

*** Let us pray (Congregation):**

Everlasting God: You have revealed yourself in the life of your Son, Jesus, who expressed your love as a perfect Shepherd who protects his sheep. Give us responsive hearts to that love that we may know his voice and follow him even into eternity. Grant this for his sake. Amen.

*** LET'S WORSHIP THE LORD WITH HYMNS:**

140..... Great Is Thy Faithfulness

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Congregation)**

Your Son came to be our Shepherd, Lord, but we run the risk of not being a part of his flock by not listening to him. Forgive us for any unbelief which has kept us from hearing, recognizing, or following our Lord's voice. Replace our unbelief with a firm conviction of his unity with you and of his love and care for us. Grant us such security with Christ that we may never be taken from him. In his name we pray. Amen.

*** LET'S WORSHIP THE LORD WITH HYMNS:**

#133.....Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Hear the Good News:

God's forgiveness is an endless fountain of love,
washing us in the waters of eternal life.

In the name of Christ, you are forgiven.

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Glory to God. Amen.

***SCRIPTURE READING:** John 10:24-28

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE WORD MADE FLESH: "It is Time to Listen"

*** RESPONSE TO THE WORD: # 143**On Eagle's Wings

CONGREGATION IN PRAYER: Joys and Concerns

*** PRAYER HYMN: # 2200** O Lord, Hear My Prayer

*** CLOSING HYMN: # 672**..... God Be with You till We Meet Again (vs. 1)

*** DISMISSAL BLESSING**

1st Scripture Reading: Hebrews 12:25-29 (NKJV)

²⁵ See that you do not refuse Him who speaks. For if they did not escape who refused Him who spoke on earth, much more *shall we not escape* if we turn away from Him who *speaks* from heaven, ²⁶ whose voice then shook the earth; but now He has promised, saying, “Yet once more I ^[a]shake not only the earth, but also heaven.” ²⁷ Now this, “Yet once more,” indicates the removal of those things that are being shaken, as of things that are made, that the things which cannot be shaken may remain.

²⁸ Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom which cannot be shaken, let us have grace, by which we ^[b]may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear. ²⁹ For our God *is* a consuming fire.

2nd Scripture Reading: John 10:24-28 (NKJV)

²⁴ Then the Jews surrounded Him and said to Him, “How long do You keep us in ^[a]doubt? If You are the Christ, tell us plainly.”

²⁵ Jesus answered them, “I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in My Father’s name, they bear witness of Me. ²⁶ But you do not believe, because you are not of My sheep, ^[b]as I said to you. ²⁷ My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. ²⁸ And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand.



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