

Third Sunday after Easter

May 3, 2020

INVITATION AND GATHERING

WELCOME (Pastor)

CENTERING WORDS

There is a time and a season for every purpose under heaven.

INTRODUCTION TO THE WORD

(Natalia Lopez)

Listen for the word that stands the test of time. Listen for the word that lives and moves among us. Listen for the word that God is speaking to us this day.

***SCRIPTURE READING** **Colossians 3:12-21**

*** OPENING HYMN:** *Take My Life and Let It Be*

*** CALL TO WORSHIP (Jeremy Flint and Family)**

Kate: Christ has come. And through his life and ministry, we learn how God expects us to live.

Family: All of life is a learning and growing experience in living as Christians.

Kate: We who are followers of Christ are taught to replace our selfishness and strife with love and kindness.

Family: May our hearts always be open to Christ; that our living may be an ongoing celebration of his coming!

*** Let us pray (Jeremy Flint and Family):**

Gracious Father, who has sent your Son to lead us in righteous living: Make our hearts responsive to his teachings; that we may mature in the life you would have us to live. In his name we pray. Amen.

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

This Life I Live

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Lisa Schutt)**

We have been very dramatic in our celebration of the birth of your Son, Father. But we become too withdrawn in celebrating his life. Forgive us for not putting into practice the life of righteousness which he has taught us to live. Guide us into mature Christian living. We pray through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

Just a Closer Walk With Thee

INTRODUCTION TO THE WORD (Natalia Lopez)

Let your ears be attentive. Let your minds be focused upon the Spirit. Listen for the word of God.

***SCRIPTURE READING** **Genesis 5:22-23 (Natalia Lopez)**

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

People: Thanks be to God.

THE WORD MADE FLESH: **"LIVING AS CHRISTIANS LIKE ENOCH"**

*** RESPONSE TO THE WORD:** *Shepherds of My Soul*

CONGREGATION IN PRAYER

Joys and Concerns

*** CLOSING HYMN:** *Prize Worth Fighting For*

***DISMISSAL BLESSING**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Colossians 3:12-21 New King James Version (NKJV)

Character of the New Man

¹² Therefore, as *the* elect of God, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering; ¹³ bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaint against another; even as Christ forgave you, so you also *must do*. ¹⁴ But above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfection. ¹⁵ And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful. ¹⁶ Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. ¹⁷ And whatever you do in word or deed, *do* all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.

The Christian Home

¹⁸ Wives, submit to your own husbands, as is fitting in the Lord.

¹⁹ Husbands, love your wives and do not be bitter toward them.

²⁰ Children, obey your parents in all things, for this is well pleasing to the Lord.

²¹ Fathers, do not provoke your children, lest they become discouraged.

Genesis 5:22-23 New King James Version (NKJV)

²² After he begot Methuselah, Enoch walked with God three hundred years, and had sons and daughters. ²³ So all the days of Enoch were three hundred and sixty-five years.