

CONNECTING & CARING

WESTWOOD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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HOLY COMMUNION SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

(Third Sunday in Lent)

PRELUDE

"In Thee, Lord, Have I Put My Trust," J.S. Bach

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Lenten travelers, why are you here?

We gather to do the work of worship.

Lenten travelers, what happens when we gather to worship?

We listen and proclaim. We sing and pray. We repent and encourage.

Lenten travelers, how do we do the work of worship?

We bring all that we are to be present to God and one another.

Lenten travelers, what work does God do in worship?

God raises us up so that we can delight in life together with God and one another.

Lenten travelers, come, let us worship God together!

Come, let us worship God together! Amen.

HYMN

How Great Thou Art

UMH 77

OPENING PRAYER

Holy God, in Jesus Christ you have built for us an eternal house, a temple of righteousness, a

place of gracious plenty for the hungry and abundant life for the poor in spirit. Fill us with zeal for the body of Christ. Overturn the tables of corruption and greed and upset the imbalance of injustice, so that we may worship you in spirit and truth; through Jesus Christ, who is risen indeed. AMEN.

THE PEACE

The Peace of the risen Christ be with you!

And also with you!

Let us pass the peace to one another by waving.

INVITATION HYMN

This Is the Day

UMH 657

CHILDREN'S SERMON

HOLY COMMUNION

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 19: 1-14 (NRSV)

To the leader. A Psalm of David.

- 1 The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.
- 2 Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge.
- 3 There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard;
- 4 yet their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun,
- 5 which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy, and like a strong man runs its course with joy.
- 6 Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them; and nothing is hid from its heat.
- 7 The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul; the decrees of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple;
- 8 the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the Lord is clear, enlightening the eyes;
- 9 the fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever; the ordinances of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.
- 10 More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb.
- 11 Moreover by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.
- 12 But who can detect their errors? Clear me from hidden faults.
- 13 Keep back your servant also from the insolent; do not let them have dominion over me. Then

- I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression.
- 14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

John 2:13-22 (NRSV)

- 13 The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.
- 14 In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables.
- 15 Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables.
- 16 He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!"
- 17 His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me."
- 18 The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?"
- 19 Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up."
- 20 The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?"
- 21 But he was speaking of the temple of his body.
- 22 After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

RESPONSE

This is the word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM "Sarabanda" from Suite in F, Arcangelo Corelli, arr T. Tertius Noble

SERMON Be Holy! Heeyoung Lim

OFFERING SONG
GIVING OUR GIFTS

I Surrender all (v.1)
Doxology

UMH 354

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

Generous God, all we have comes from you and has been given to us as stewards that we might live and love as your beloved children. As we bring our gifts this morning, we realize what a small portion they are compared to what you have given to us. As we have sought ways to fund church ministry without raising our level of sacrifice, forgive us. If there have been times when we unconsciously favored reaching those with more assets to give and overlooked those who live and struggle with little, forgive us. Guide us in the path of repentance. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

PRAYER HYMN O Christ, the Healer, We Have Come (1,3,5)

UMH 265

CALL TO PRAYER / PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE THE LORD'S PRAYER

SENDING FORTH

BENEDICTION

This is My Father's World

UMH 144

POSTLUDE

"Giga" from Suite in F, Arcangelo Corelli

Organist: Joanne Reed

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Spring Bible Study: Friday 7 PM, March 8 (Hybrid Gathering)
- "FaithWorks Diner", Lunch on Saturday: 11 AM, March 16
- FAITHWORKS SHOP: MON. 6: 30 PM to 8:30 PM and 1st and 3rd SATs 9AM to 1 PM
- FOOD DISTRIBUTION: MON. 6:30 to 8:30 PM and 1st and 3rd SATs 9AM to 1 PM
- LARGE FOOD DISTRIBUTION: the 2nd Tuesday from 6 PM to 7:00 PM.



PRAYER LIST



Family and friends of Alan Cardullo, Dana's brother.

Grace Damiano, Gloria Kluger, Carol Caputo,

Marlon Horn, Chu & Jinwhan Lee,

YoungBum & YoungHee Koo, George. Jagger,

Deborah Holden-Halloway, Jon Egbert,

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