

Sunday Service for March 18, 2018

A SILENT TIME OF PREPARATION

PRELUDE “Voluntary on Love Unknown” -arr. E. Lind

PASTORAL GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT #294 “Here We Gather as God’s People”

- CALL TO WORSHIP (*Read by Liturgist*)

- GATHERING HYMN #197 “Beneath the Cross of Jesus”

- PRAYER AT GATHERING (*In unison*)

Lord, be with us this day as we commit ourselves to being your disciples. Give us the strength to understand and act on Your frightening call to sacrificial service. Help us to face the future unafraid, trusting your loving care and presence is always with us. We pray this in Jesus’ name.

- SILENT PRAYER

- THE GLORIA PATRI #35 (*Sung by all*)

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
And to the Holy Ghost.**

As it was in the beginning,

Is now, and ever shall be

World without end. Amen. Amen.

INSTALLATION OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS

- A TIME OF CHRISTIAN GREETING (Ireland, *síocháin*)

- CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (*Sung by all*)(*Repeat once*)

**Come, all you people, come and praise your Maker,
come, all you people, come and praise your Maker,
come, all you people, come and praise your maker;
come now and worship the Lord.**

CHILDREN’S TIME

INTERLUDE #590 “Kum ba Yah” (Verse 3) (Sung by all)
(Children ages 3-6th grade are welcome to join us downstairs for Sunday School.)

Someone’s singing, Lord, kum ba yah!

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O Lord, kum ba yah!

(Ushers will collect prayer cards at this time.)

SCRIPTURE

First Reading: **Jeremiah 31:31-34** (page 735)

Psalm 51:1-12 (page 520)

Second Reading: **John 12:20-33** (page 106)

Hebrews 5:5-10 (page 220)

SERMON

CHORAL ANTHEM “Your Grace Is All I Need” -arr. D. Nolan

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER (*In unison*)

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 debts,

as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil,

for thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

forever. Amen.

APPRECIATIVE INQUIRY MOMENT – Dr. Jennifer Charpentier

OFFERTORY INVITATION

OFFERTORY “Jesus Paid It All” -arr. G. Sewell

• OFFERTORY RESPONSE #382 “We Give Thee but Thine Own”

(Verse 1) (Sung by all)

We give thee but thine own, what e’er the gift may be;

all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee. Amen.

• DEDICATION OF GIFTS *(In unison)*

Great God, we dedicate to you all that we have and all that we are. Use these gifts to further your mission throughout the world. May all we have, all we do, and all we say bring glory and honor to your name. Amen.

• SENDING HYMN “Sing Praises, Bless the Living God” *(See insert)*

• COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION *(In unison)*

May the road rise up to meet you. May the wind be always at your back. May the sun shine warm upon your face; the rains fall soft upon your fields and until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of God’s hand.

• MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER

POSTLUDE “In the Cross of Christ I Glory” -arr. J. Carter

Enter to Worship – Depart to Serve

Our time of worship concludes at the end of the Postlude. You are invited to remain quietly in the sanctuary and listen to this music written and played to glorify God. Otherwise, you may quietly join others in the narthex for refreshments and fellowship.