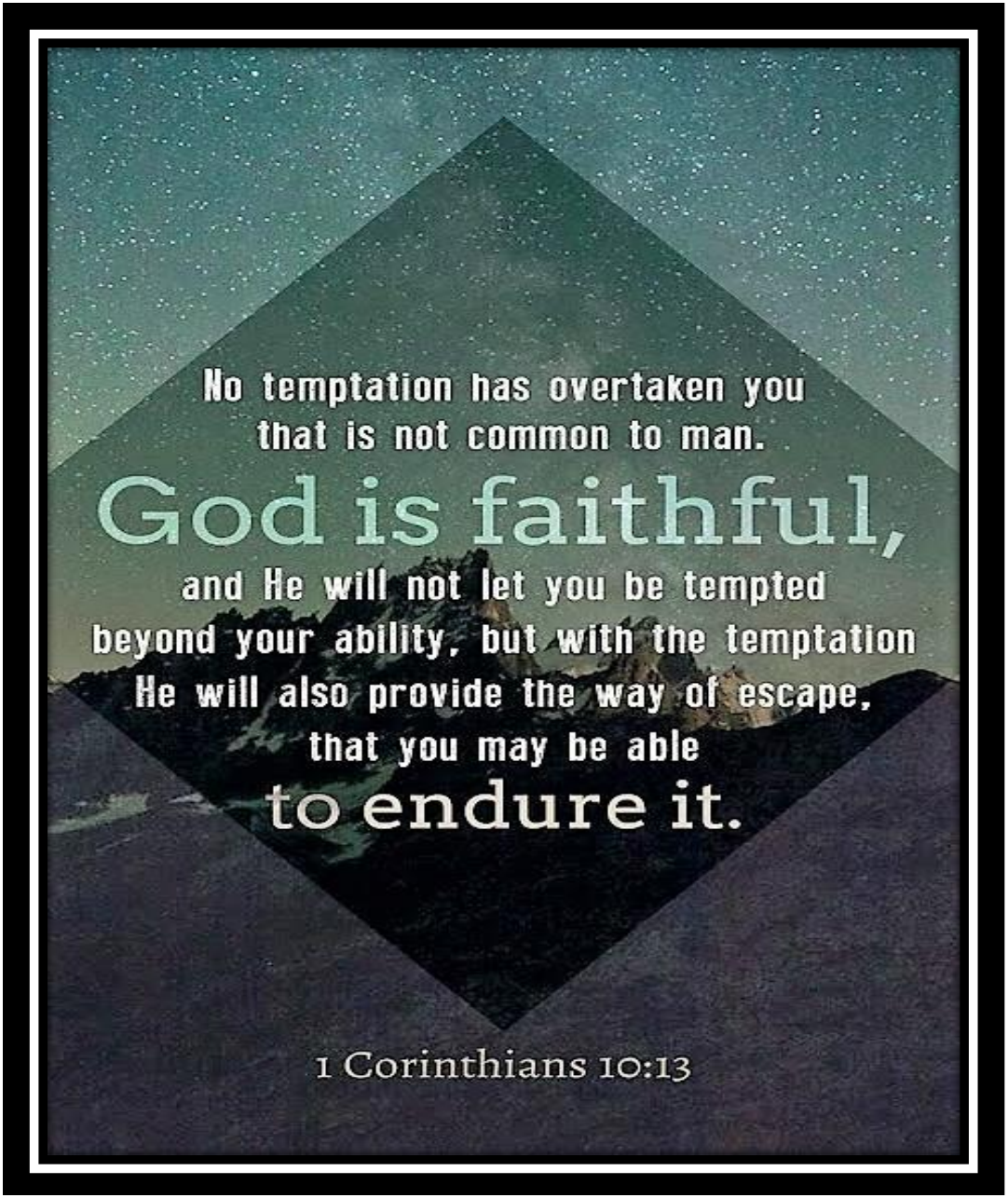


The Third Sunday in Lent
March 20, 2022
10:30 a.m.

The altar flower are given by Rev. Brian and Jean Downs to the Glory of God for the people of Zion and the mission of the Gospel.

As We Gather

How then shall we live? What a profound question for Christians to consider midway through Lent! The Lord has shown His mercy to us, forgiven our sins, and delivered us from death. Then what? What is the focus of our lives? The call of the Readings for this Sunday points us to the repentance that bears the good fruit of God's kingdom. Like trees that have failed to produce good fruit, the Lord has tended us with His Word, with the warning of the Law and the promise of the Gospel. But if the tree remains unfruitful, the tree will have to be cut down. It is a hard word to hear, but God remains merciful, and most of all, He seeks that we bear the good fruits of faith and repentance in our daily lives.

Goodness Of God by Ben Fielding, Brian Johnson, Ed Cash, Jason Ingram, Jenn Johnson

I love You Lord Oh Your mercy never fails me
All my days I've been held in Your hands
From the moment that I wake up
Until I lay my head
I will sing of the goodness of God

Chorus
All my life You have been faithful
All my life You have been so so good
With every breath that I am able
I will sing of the goodness of God

I love Your voice You have led me through the fire
In darkest night You are close like no other
I've known You as a father I've known You as a friend
I have lived in the goodness of God Chorus

Bridge
Your goodness is running after It's running after me
Your goodness is running after It's running after me
With my life laid down I'm surrendered now
I give You everything Your goodness is running after
It's running after me Chorus

Welcome

Invocation

Amen by Steven Curtis Chapman and Rend Collective

You have given us a new name
As sons and daughters of Your righteousness
And You have taken all of our shame
And given us the gift of holiness
Lord we're crying out for faith
To believe the words you say

Chorus
You say we are loved You say we belong to You
Your grace is enough Nothing more that we can do
You say we've been bought By Your blood by Your blood
And all that we can say
Is amen

You have given us a new hope
An anchor for the soul that shall not fail
Jesus we believe Your truth shines
Yes in the darkest night You shall prevail
Lord we're crying out for faith
To believe the words you say Chorus

Bridge
Amen Your word is true
Amen we trust in You (3 times) Chorus

Sacrament of Baptism *Maverick Scott Noeldner*

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Sons and Daughters by Brett Stanfill

Before He spoke creation
The God of Heaven knew our names
Formed in His reflection
We are His glory on display

Pre-Chorus
And His heart is good
He is always kind
With a cross He proved
He is on my side

Chorus
We are the sons we are the daughters of God
No matter where we go
We're close to the Father's heart
And though we stumble He will not let us fall
We are the Lord's and He will never forsake His own
We are the sons we are the daughters of God

His love He lavished on us
And called us children of the King
And in His loving kindness
He chose the lowly and the weak Pre-Chorus and Chorus

Bridge
When the lies speak louder than the truth
Remind me I belong to You
When I can't see past the dark of night
Remind me You're always by my side (Repeat 2 more times)
(You're by my side)

Chorus (2 times)

Old Testament Reading *Isaiah 55:1-9*

1 "Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters;
and he who has no money, come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.
2 Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,
and your labor for that which does not satisfy?
Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good,
and delight yourselves in rich food.

[3]Incline your ear, and come to me;
hear, that your soul may live;
and I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
my steadfast, sure love for David.
[4]Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples,
a leader and commander for the peoples.
[5]Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know,
and a nation that did not know you shall run to you,
because of the LORD your God, and of the Holy One of Israel,
for he has glorified you."
[6]"Seek the LORD while he may be found, call upon him while he is near;
[7]let the wicked forsake his way,
and the unrighteous man his thoughts;
let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on him,
and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.
[8]For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD.
[9]For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts."

Epistle *1 Corinthians 10:1–13*

[1]I want you to know, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, [2]and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, [3]and all ate the same spiritual food, [4]and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ. [5]Nevertheless, with most of them God was not pleased, for they were overthrown in the wilderness.

[6]Now these things took place as examples for us, that we might not desire evil as they did. [7]Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play." [8]We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. [9]We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents, [10]nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer. [11]Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come. [12]Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. [13]No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

Trust in You by Lauren Daigle, Michael Farren and Paul Mabury

Letting go of ev'ry single dream,
I lay each one down at Your feet.
Ev'ry moment of my wondering
Never changes what You see.

I've tried to win this war, I confess.
My hands are weary; I need Your rest.
Mighty warrior, King of the fight,
No matter what I face, You're by my side.

Chorus:
When You don't move the mountains
I'm needing You to move,
When You don't part the waters
I wish I could walk through,
When You don't give the answers
As I cry out to You,
I will trust, I will trust, I will trust in You.

Truth is You know what tomorrow brings.
There's not a day ahead You have not seen.
So in all things be my life and breath;
I want what You want Lord, and nothing less.
Chorus

Bridge:
You are my strength and comfort; You are my steady hand.
You are my firm foundation, The Rock on which I stand.
Your ways are always higher; Your plans are always good.
There's not a place where I'll go You've not already stood.
Chorus

Holy Gospel ***Luke 13:1–9***

[1]There were some present at that very time who told [Jesus] about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. [2]And he answered them, "Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans, because they suffered in this way? [3]No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish. [4]Or those eighteen on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed them: do

you think that they were worse offenders than all the others who lived in Jerusalem? [5]No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish."

[6]And he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came seeking fruit on it and found none. [7]And he said to the vinedresser, 'Look, for three years now I have come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and I find none. Cut it down. Why should it use up the ground?' [8]And he answered him, 'Sir, let it alone this year also, until I dig around it and put on manure. [9]Then if it should bear fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.'"

Jesus Rock Of Ages by Christy and Nathan Nockels

I'm not alone there's a stone I'm built on
There's a love that will never let me go
He hears my ev'ry cry
He knows how to understand me
He is my one defense day and night

Chorus
I rest my soul on the Rock of the ages oh
And my feet stand firm on a sure foundation oh
All my hope in this salvation oh
Jesus Jesus Rock of ages

Precious cornerstone the one for all generations
Laid that I would hide myself in You
Through ev'ry trial and storm
When all else is sinking
There is none so faithful and so true Chorus

Bridge
When my heart is faint my faith is small
Oh hide me Lord
And when all is well through it all
Oh hide me Lord (Repeat bridge) Chorus

Sermon

I Speak Jesus Abby Benton, Carlene Prince, Dustin Smith, Jesse Reeves, Kristen Dutton, Raina Pratt

I just want to speak the Name of Jesus
Over ev'ry heart and ev'ry mind
'Cause I know there is peace within Your presence
I speak Jesus

I just want to speak the Name of Jesus
'Til ev'ry dark addiction starts to break
Declaring there is hope and there is freedom
I speak Jesus

Chorus
('Cause) Your Name is power Your Name is healing
Your Name is life Break ev'ry stronghold
Shine through the shadows Burn like a fire

I just want to speak the Name of Jesus
Over fear and all anxiety
To ev'ry soul held captive by depression
I speak Jesus Chorus (twice)

Bridge (twice)
Shout Jesus from the mountains
Jesus in the streets
Jesus in the darkness over ev'ry enemy
Jesus for my fam'ly
I speak the holy Name Jesus Chorus

I just want to speak the Name of Jesus
Over ev'ry heart and ev'ry mind
'Cause I know there is peace within Your presence
I speak Jesus

Lift Our Hearts in Prayer

Pastor: Lord, in your mercy:
People: Hear our prayer.

Lord's Prayer

The Blessing

My Jesus by Anne Wilson, Jeff Pardo, Matthew West

Are you past the point of weary
Is your burden weighing heavy
Is it all too much to carry
Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus
Do you feel that empty feeling
'Cause shame's done all its stealing
And you're desperate for some healing
Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus

Chorus
He makes a way where there ain't no way
Rises up from an empty grave
Ain't no sinner that He can't save
Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus
His love is strong and His grace is free
And the good news is I know that He
Can do for you what He's done for me
Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus
And let my Jesus change your life

Interlude
Hallelujah Hallelujah Hallelujah
Amen amen (amen)

Who can wipe away the tears
From broken dreams and wasted years
And tell the past to disappear
Oh and let me tell you 'bout my Jesus
And all the wrong turns that you would
Go and undo if you could
Who can work it all for your good
Let me tell you about my Jesus **Chorus**

Who would take my cross to Calvary
Pay the price for all my guilty
Who would care that much about me
Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus oh **Chorus**

Interlude 2 (Ending)
Hallelujah Hallelujah Hallelujah
Amen amen
Hallelujah Hallelujah Hallelujah
Let my Jesus change your life

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Scripture Reader:	Seminarian Mark Esser
Elder on Duty:	Matt Berry
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Please notify an usher if you would like to be served communion in the pew.

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