

First Presbyterian Church

Wichita, Kansas

Third



SUNDAY

IN LENT

March 4, 2018
8:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.

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3rd Sunday in Lent

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Prelude

Prelude and Fugue in e minor

J. S. Bach

**Recessional

Bronwen Burch & Meryt Ediger

Greetings

*Call to Worship

(adapted from Psalm 19)

Leader: Heaven is declaring God's glory:

People: the sky is proclaiming God's handiwork.

Leader: One day gushes the news to the next,

People: and one night informs another what needs to be known.

Leader: There is no speech; there are no words;

People: their voices cannot be heard by us.

Leader: Yet their sound extends throughout the world;

People: their words reach the ends of the earth!

All: *their words reach the ends of the earth!*

*Prayer of the Day

*Hymn

Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

No. 416

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, how fickle we are; we sin against you without even knowing it.

Clear us, we pray, of any unknown sin, and save us from willfully ignoring your way. Let your commandments rule and guide us. Forgive us for worshipping anyone or anything except you;

keep us faithful. Forgive us for failing to honor all our relationships— with those closest to us and those who are distant neighbors.

Help us to speak words of blessing and kindness, rather than words that belittle or destroy.

Turn us away from violence, falsehood, and selfishness.

Forgive us for thinking everything depends on our efforts and power, for you are the God who made us, led us out slavery, and has brought us into the community of faith.

Help us to depend on you alone and to rest in your peace.

In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Silence

Choral Response

Assurance of Pardon

Brothers and sisters, in Jesus Christ, crucified, risen, and coming again,
we are forgiven and set free to live in faithfulness with God and with one
another!

Thanks be to God!

*Song of Thanksgiving *Gloria Patri* No. 579

*The Peace

Leader: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

*** (The children may come forward during the greeting.)*

**Time with the Children

First Reading Exodus 20:1-17
Second Reading Psalm 19
Gospel Reading John 2:13-22

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "A Sign of Things to Come"
The Rev. Dr. Brent O. Johnston

*Affirmation of Faith Apostles Creed P.H. No. 14
(Traditional)

Call to Stewardship
Offertory Anthem *The Lord is My Shepherd, from Requiem* John Rutter
Kyle Stanberry, Clarinet

*Doxology No. 592

*Prayer of Dedication

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Great Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: It is truly right and our greatest joy...

People: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Leader: You are holy, O God of majesty...

that our lives may proclaim the One crucified and risen. Great is the mystery of faith:

People: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Leader: Gracious God....now and forever.

All: Amen.

Lord's Prayer

P.H. Pg. 16

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Leader: The gifts of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

8:30 Communion is by Intinction

10:45 Eat the bread as you are served. Please hold the cup.

We will commune together.

Communion Music

What Wondrous Love

Dale Wood

Prayer after Communion

*Hymn

Bread of the World in Mercy Broken

No. 502

*Charge and Benediction

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

*Choral Response

**Recessional

*Postlude

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David Johnson

*signifies congregation standing (for those able)

**denotes 10:45 a.m. service