

Kirkwood Presbyterian Church

Sunday, March 7, 2021 The 3rd Sunday in Lent

Gathering

Welcome and Ministry Announcements

Opening Song

"10,000 Reasons"

Rev. Sandra Hedrick

Nan Milleson and Kathy Stanley

Chorus

Bless the Lord O my soul O my soul; Worship his holy name. Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship your holy name.

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning, it's time to sing your song again.

Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me,

let me be singing when the evening comes. *Chorus*

You're rich in love and you're slow to anger.

Your name is great and your heart is kind.

Call to Worship

All: Una y otra vez,

All: Again and again, Voice One: llegamos a este espacio. Voice Two: we come to this space.

All: Una y otra vez,

All: Again and again,

Voice One: nos reunimos en communidad. Voice Two: we gather as a community.

All: Una y otra vez,

All: Again and again, Voice One: Dios esta aqui. Voice Two: God is here. All: Una y otra vez, All: Again and again, For all your goodness, I will keep on singing; ten thousand reasons for my heart to find. *Chorus*

And on that day when my strength is failing, the end draws near, and my time has come; still, my soul will sing your praise unending ten thousand years, and then forevermore! *Chorus*

Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship your holy name, worship your holy name, worship your holy name.

Carmen Menendez and Yvette Grant

Voice One: nos encontramos, nos escuchan, se nos muestra el camino.

Voice Two: we are met. We are heard. We are shown the way.

All: Asi que una y otra vez, alabemos a Dio.

All: So again and again, let us worship God.

Gathering Prayer

Call to Confession

One: Science tells us that a person makes about 35,000 choices in a day. 35,000 choices each and every day! In the prayer of confession, we pause to take a moment to think and to ask: How many of our decisions are choices God would have us make? How many are not? So let us pray together, knowing that we need guidance, and trusting that even if we fall, God is showing us the way.

Prayer of Confession

All: God of justice and love,
we repent of our sins -
both those that we know,
and those that are not known.God of new life and second chances,
help us remember whose we are,
and that you will show us the way,
again and again and again.God of wisdom and grace,
be in our decision-making,
draw near to our choices,
and forgive our mistakes.With hope we pray for a better day.
One: Please continue in silent confession...
Amen.

We Are Forgiven!

One: Family of faith, the good news is that God took on flesh and walked this earth to show us the way. God took on flesh to point us to restoration. God took on flesh so that we might be forgiven. Friends, we are held, loved, and forgiven by a just and merciful God.

All: Thanks be to God for a love like that. Amen!

Word

A Time for Children

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading John 2:13-22

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. 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. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me."

Nan Milleson

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Lois Morse

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Lisa Christian

Deborah Ruth and Mary Kay Unkelbach

The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking of the temple of his body. 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.

Message

"Again & Again, We Are Shown the Way"

The Lord's Supper

Invitation to Table

The Lord's Supper/The Lord's Prayer

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.

Installation of Presbyterian Women Officers

Moderator - Kathy Stanley; Secretary - Deborah Ruth Treasurer - Lois Morse; Historian - Yvette Grant

Sending

Closing Song	Glory to God Hym		"Blessed Assurance" Nan Milleson and Kathy Stanley	
Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood. <i>Refrain:</i>		visions o angels de	Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight; angels descending, bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love. <i>Refrain</i>	
This is my story; this is praising my Savior all this is my story; this is praising my Savior all	the day long; s my song,	I in my S watching	Submission, all is at rest; Savior am happy and blest, g and waiting, looking above, th his goodness, lost in his love.	
Charge and Blessing		Rev. Sandra Hedrick		

Charge and Blessing

One: Go with our God, who leads by example. All: And offers second chances -One: again and again.

One: And may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the Communion of the Holy Spirit be with us all. All: Alleluia! Amen!

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Announcements

Sermon Series - "Again & Again" is the name of our worship series through Easter. Lent reminds us that brokenness finds us again and again. We doubt again, we lament again, we mess up again. Life is fragile, and everything keeps changing. Yet in the midst of it all, God offers us a sacred refrain: "I choose you, I love you, I will lead you to repair." Again and again, God breaks the cycle and offers us grace and a new way forward.

Youth Breakfast next Sunday (The Day We Turn Our Clocks Forward) - A Kirkwood tradition is our youth-provided and served breakfast on the day that Daylight Saving Time returns! The breakfast bar will open at 9:15 a.m.

Wednesday Night Bible Study at 6:00 p.m. - All are invited to Bible study on Wednesday night, when we delve more deeply into the following Sunday's scripture. This week's passage will be announced in an email sent on Wednesday morning.

No Spanish Bible Study - There will be no Spanish Bible Study this week.

Stewardship Season - Our 2021 Stewardship Season will continue through the Season of Lent. We will receive pledge cards on Palm Sunday from those who feel called to provide an estimate of giving.

One Great Hour of Sharing - Kirkwood participates in the "One Great Hour of Sharing" of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). This special offering is the primary funding for the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Program. We will receive this offering on March 14 and March 21 this year. Designate "One Great Hour" on your offering check, or use one of the envelopes on the table in the narthex.

Souper Bowl of Caring - Thank you for giving to this ministry outreach of our youth group. We collected \$235.00 to donate to the Sulzbacher Center!

Presbyterian Women's Meeting on April 4 - The next PW meeting will be held on Sunday, April 4, immediately after worship (11:15 a.m.). A light lunch, Covid-19 style, will be offered. Come join us!

Presbyterian Women Annual Yard Sale June 12 - Just a reminder to clean out those closets for our PW Annual Yard Sale on Saturday, June 12!

Financial Giving - "God loves a cheerful giver." (2 Cor. 7:7b) You may place your offering in the offering plate at the back of the church, drop off a check at the office, put it in the mail, or use our online giving portal that can be accessed <u>here</u>.

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