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LOTV Worship with Holy Communion

Sunday, March 10th Fourth Sunday in Lent

Welcome to Worship at Lord of the Valley

We welcome you to worship at Lord of the Valley. We gather as members of the church who live in the area full and part-time, as people vacationing in the area for a few days or weeks, as people searching for a church that is welcoming. We gather as a community, as sisters and brothers in Christ, all part of God's family, and we pray that God's Spirit might be known and felt within your heart as we worship together. We invite your participation in the life of Lord of the Valley. If you are interested in becoming a regular member or a parish partner, please talk with our pastor today. We are Glad that You are Here, Worshipping God with Us!

Announcements

Gathering

Leader: We worship as we live: in the name of God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All: Amen

Leader: God calls us to be honest with ourselves, with God and each other, as God renews us and our life's purposes. Come apart from the busyness of family, school and work, and dwell in the presence of God, the source and ground of our being.

All: We come in praise of God and in affirmation of Jesus Christ as the truth and center of our lives. We celebrate the places where love is found, and we give thanks for the gift of new life.

Leader: O God, the struggles of relationships, the pressure of making ends meet or of keeping up with our peers, the fear of losing, our health, our job, our home, the ones we love, over time dry up our lives, and then take the very breath from our being.

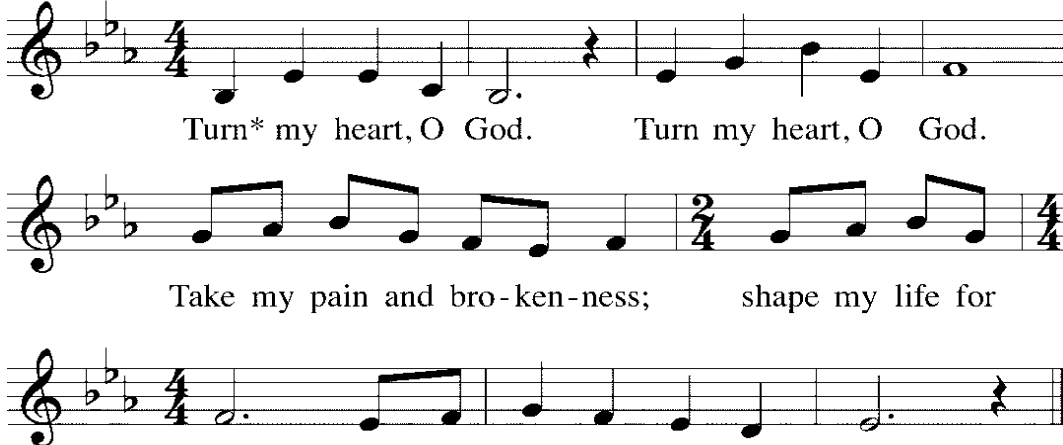
All: Raise us up O God. Breathe your Spirit into our dry bones. Call us out of the tombs we have created in our lives, that we might embrace and celebrate the gift of life you have given us this very day. Amen

Leader: Sisters and Brothers: God created us to experience joy in communion with God, to love all humanity, and to live in harmony with all of creation. But sin separates us from God, our neighbors, and creation. As we move through this season of Lent we acknowledge our need for repentance; that is, our need to re-focus and re-prioritize our lives, our need to turn our lives back toward God and our neighbors. Let us continue our Lenten journey by together confessing our sins and seeking the forgiveness and new life that is promised to us in Christ Jesus.

“Turn My Heart O God”

The Congregation sings the refrain along with the verse response.

Refrain



Turn* my heart, O God. Turn my heart, O God.
Take my pain and bro-ken-ness; shape my life for
you. Come and turn my heart, O God.

The musical notation consists of three staves. The first staff is in 4/4 time and contains the melody for the first two phrases. The second staff continues the melody, with a 2/4 time signature change for the phrase 'shape my life for'. The third staff concludes the refrain with the phrase 'you. Come and turn my heart, O God.'.

From all the leads to death to seek the way of life
From all that leads to sin, to holiness and grace....
From all despair and grief, to hope of life renewed...




Come and turn my heart, O God.

The musical notation is a single staff in 4/4 time, containing the melody for the verse response.

(Refrain)

O let your Spirit come, and cleanse my inmost heart...
Give back to me the joy of walking in your way...
O fill me with your grace that I might sing your praise...



Come and turn my heart, O God.

The musical notation is a single staff in 4/4 time, containing the melody for the verse response.

(Refrain)

Leader: God of Love and Life,

All: We confess that we have sinned against you and each other, by what we have done and said, and by what we have failed to do and say. We confess that we are wounded, and those wounds affect how we treat ourselves and how we treat others. We come seeking forgiveness and healing. We come seeking a sense of wholeness in our lives. Help us to forgive the people who have wounded us, as we come seeking forgiveness for the wounds we have caused other people. Have mercy on us, O God. Help us to live differently. Help us to forgive graciously. Help us to love abundantly. Amen

Leader: God is faithful, even when we are not. God's promises are true, even when we break our promises. Our lives change but one thing does not change: God has loved you, loves you now, and will love you always. And it is in and through this love that in Jesus Christ God forgives you of all your sins. This is the good news that brings us new life.

All: Amen – Thanks be to God!

Song of Praise:

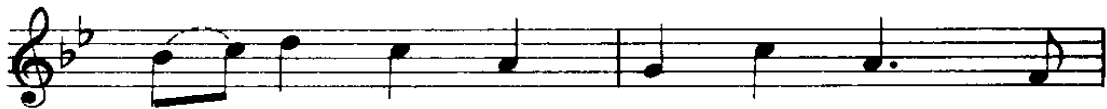
"Arise, Shine Out!"



1. A - rise, _ shine out, your light has come! A -
 2. A - rise, _ shine out, come and re - joice! The
 3. A - rise, _ shine out, and dry your tears! Our
 4. A - rise, _ shine out, bring bread and wine! Come
 5. A - rise, _ shine out, tell all the land that



wak - en your sad _ and wea - ry eyes! A
 mu - sic of life _ sings of the new day! The
 God has con - quered gloom _ and fright! For
 gath - er a - round _ the ta - ble of dreams! And
 ha - tred and vio - lence now _ shall cease! To -



song in the dis - tance has be - gun, the
 dance of the spir - it; free - dom's voice, is
 on _ this day new dawn ap - pears; be
 share _ the sto - ry, let it shine, for
 geth - er in hope and hand in hand, we'll



ci - ty of God _ born from the skies! _
 mov - ing with - in _ to guide our way! _
 born _ a - gain! _ Walk in the light! _
 in _ this place _ God's King - dom sings! _
 live _ God's mer - cy, love and peace! _

Leader: The Lord is with you.

All: And also with you.

Leader: O God, rich in mercy,

All: by the humiliation of your Son you lifted up this fallen world and rescued us from the hopelessness of death. Lead us into your light, that all our deeds may reflect your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Bible Readings

Numbers 21: 4-9

From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, 'Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and


we detest this miserable food.' Then the LORD sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, 'We have sinned by speaking against the LORD and against you; pray to the LORD to take away the serpents from us.' So Moses prayed for the people. And the LORD said to Moses, 'Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live.' So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

Ephesians 2: 1-10

You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness towards us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God— not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.


Gospel Verse “Return to God”

Congregation:



Re - turn to God with all your heart, the Source of grace and

Optional Repeat



mer-cy; Come, seek the ten-der faith-ful-ness of God.

The musical notation consists of two staves in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 3/4 time signature. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the verse, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line, including an optional repeat sign at the end.

Gospel Reading

John 3: 14-21

[Jesus said:] 'Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

'Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgement, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God.'

Sunday School Dismissal

Sermon

Song

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heav'n, to
 2 Breathe, oh, breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - 'ry
 3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; let us all thy
 4 Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion, pure and spot - less

earth come down! Fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy
 trou - bled breast; let us all in thee in - her - it; let us
 life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -
 let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -

faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,
 find thy prom - ised rest. Take a - way the love of sin - ning;
 more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing,
 ly re - stored in thee! Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,

pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with
 Al - pha and O - me - ga be; end of faith, as
 serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee
 till in heav'n we take our place, till we cast our

thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.
 its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
 with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
 crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise!

Affirmation of Faith “Apostles Creed”

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Leader: Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

Offering

Offering Response (sung)

**For your generous providing, which sustains us all our days,
For your Spirit here residing, we proclaim our heartfelt praise.
In the depths of joy and sorrow, though the road be smooth or rough,
Fearless, we can face tomorrow for your grace will be enough.**

**‘Round your table, through your giving, show us how to live and pray
Till your kingdom’s way of living is the bread we share each day;
Bread for us and for our neighbor; bread for body, mind and soul,
Bread of heav’n and human labor – broken bread that makes us whole.**

Leader: All good gifts around us come from you, O God.

All: You have given us new life in Christ! Therefore we offer our gifts that we may be gifts to one another. Amen

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to God.

Leader: Let us give thanks to God Most High.

All: It is right to give God our thanks and praise.

Leader: Eternal God, who has created the heavens and the earth ... With all the prophets of old and new, the saints and sinner, and all the company of heaven, we glorify your name and join in the endless song of all creation:

Refrain

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er, God of might,
 heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name, in the name of the
 Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Refrain

Leader: Lord, remember us in your love and teach us to pray.

ALL: 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Distribution of Holy Communion

Song During Communion "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"

1 A - maz - ing grace!— how sweet the sound— that
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
 3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
 4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his
 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
 have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me
 word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and
 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

now am found; was blind, but now I see.
 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

Leader: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you always in his grace. **All: Amen**

Leader: Life-giving God, in this meal you have bound us to yourself, at this table we have received the very presence of Jesus Christ. Send us now to be what we have received, that all creation might know your love and sing your praise now and always. **All: Amen**

Benediction / Sending

Leader: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!!!

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