



Lenten Mid-Week Worship - April 2, 2020

St. Timothy's Lutheran Church, Albuquerque, NM

Prelude

Greeting

L - The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C - And also with you.

Song - What A Friend We Have in Jesus

What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry ev'rything to God in prayer!
Oh, what peace we often forfeit; oh, what needless pain we bear-
All because we do not carry ev'rything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations? Is their trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged- take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness- take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior still our refuge- take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do your friends despise, forsake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.
In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a solace there.

Opening Prayer

L - God of mercy, when our lives are joyous and laughter abounds,

C - You are dwelling there.

L - When the news is grim and we have nowhere to turn,

C - You are dwelling there.

L - In the water and word, the bread and wine,

C - You are dwelling there.

L - In our life and our death, in the new life to come,

C - You are dwelling there.

L - In gratitude, we pray in Jesus' name,

C - Amen.

Reading - John 15:1-9

Reflection - "Why Jesus?"

Song - Step By Step

Oh God, you are my God, and I will ever praise you.

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I will seek you in the morning, and I will learn to walk in your ways,
And step by step you'll lead me, and I will follow you all of my days.

And I will follow you all of my days, and I will follow you all of my days,
And step by step you'll lead me, and I will follow you all of my days.

Prayers

Blessing

L - Go into the world with eyes open to the transforming light of Christ, hands open to serve, ears open to the call of the Spirit, hearts open to the bountiful love of God, and lives open to follow Christ to the cross. The God who opened for us the way of everlasting life: Father, Son and Holy Spirit bless you now and forever.

C - Amen.

Song - Beneath the Cross of Jesus

Beneath the cross of Jesus I long to take my stand;
The shadow of a mighty rock within a weary land,
A home within the wilderness, a rest upon the way,
From the burning of the noontide heat and burdens of the day.

Upon the cross of Jesus, my eye at times can see
The very dying form of one who suffered there for me.

And from my contrite heart, with tears, two wonders I confess:
The wonder of his glorious love and my unworthiness.

I take, O cross, your shadow for my abiding place;
I ask no other sunshine than the sunshine of his face;
Content to let the world go by, to know no gain nor loss,
My sinful self my only shame, my glory all, the cross.

Sending

L - We go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C - Thanks be to God.

Postlude

During this time when we are gathered together digitally, this compassionate congregation still provides support to a variety of ministries that serve our local and global communities. If you are able, please visit our website (www.sttimschurch.net) and click the icon on the homepage labeled "Support Staff and Ministries" to provide a financial offering.

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