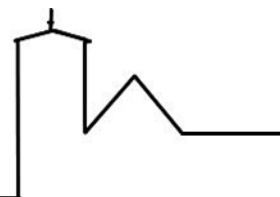


5TH SUNDAY IN LENT



GATHERING IN THE PRESENCE OF THE RISEN CHRIST

THE PREPARATION

Fugue in A Flat Minor, WoO 8

Johannes Brahms

Introit

Create in me a Clean Heart

(The congregation is invited to sing the 2nd time)

1. Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God. Re - new a right
spir - it with - in me; And cast me not from your pres - ence,
Lord, And take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me.

The musical notation is in 3/4 time, F major, and consists of three staves. The first staff has a first ending bracket over the first two measures. The second staff has a second ending bracket over the last two measures. The third staff ends with a double bar line. The lyrics are written below the notes.

WELCOME

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Out of the despair, we cry out to you, O Lord.

Let your ears hear our prayer.

We wait for you, O God. Our hope is in your response.

We wait for you, O Lord, because you show mercy.

Come. Let us worship God.

OPENING PRAYER (UNISON)

Journey with us, O holy God, as we continue our way to the cross.

Sharpen our focus so that our attention may center more on you than on ourselves.

**Lead us through the shadows of darkness and prepare our hearts,
that we might be a people of prayer, ready to perceive and respond
to your Son and our Savior, Jesus Christ. In his name we pray. Amen.**

***HYMN 85**

What Wondrous Love is This

Wondrous Love

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

God, we are a busy people. We become preoccupied with the demands of work, our relationships, and our communities. We tend to focus on our own needs and fail to see the needs of those around us. We do what we should not and fail to do what we should. We ask for your forgiveness and for your guidance in following the path you have set before us. Hear us now as we humbly come before you silently and privately to confess our sins. AMEN

TIME FOR SILENCE AND PERSONAL CONFESSION

KYRIE

Lord, Have Mercy

Capo 3: (D) (A) (D) (G) (A) (D)
F C F B^b C F

Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have
(A) (D/F#) (F#m) (G) (A) (Bm)
C F/A Am B^b C Dm
mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy;
(G) (D) (A) (Bm) (Em7) (A) (Dsus) (D)
B^b F C Dm Gm7 C Fsus F
Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Ezekiel 37:1-14

PSALM 130 Hymn 240

Out of the Depths

Aus Tiefer Not

EPISTLE: Romans 8:6-11

GOSPEL: John 11:1-45

The Word of the Lord... Thanks be to God.

SERMON:

“Unwrap Him and let him go”

Rev. Tim Mitchell

HYMN 406

Why Has God Forsaken Me?

Shimpi

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*UNISON*) (*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 Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

THE GIFT OF MUSIC

Let Nothing Ever Grieve Thee, op 30
(Geistliches Lied)

Johannes Brahms

Let nothing ever grieve thee, distress thee, nor fret thee;
Heed God's good will, my soul, be still, compose thee.
Why brood all day in sorrow?
Tomorrow will bring thee God's help benign and grace sublime in mercy.
Be true in all endeavor and ever do bravely;
When God decrees brings joy and peace, He'll stay thee.
Amen.



SEALING THE WORD

INTERCESSIONS AND SUPPLICATIONS

In your mercy... **Lord, hear our prayer**

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*SINGING TOGETHER, Hymn 571*)

CARRYING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN 76

My Song is Love Unknown

Love Unknown

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Toccat: Aberystwyth

David Bednall

Leading in worship today:

Rev. Tim Mitchell

Dr. Polly Brecht, Organist-Choirmaster

J. Douglas McQueen, tenor · Kate Kortemeier, alto

David Kortemeier, bass · Dan Stanley, tenor

Rebekah Dentino, soprano



Open Mind Open Hands Open Heart

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