



third Sunday in lent
3-20-22

Steeple Bells 10:30 am

Christ Candle Indigo Stephens

Opening the Bible Raina Gould

Voluntary

Adagio in E Major, *Frank Bridge*, Rev. Doug Vancil, organ

Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy! Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live.

I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.

1.

Seek the Lord while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

—Isaiah 55.1-9

Opening Sentences Rev. Alan Sherouse

†Congregational Introit

Prepare a Way for the Lord *from Celebrate Life, Buryl Red*



West side: Pre- pare a way for the Lord!

(horn)

East side: Pre -

Clear a straight path for him, clear a straight path for him!

pare a way for the Lord!

Clear a straight path for him,

2.

Pre - pare his way!
clear a straight path for him! Pre - pare his way!

†Scriptural Affirmation of Faith, Philippians 2.5-11, Grace Wall

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who,

**though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself,
taking the form of a servant,
being found in human form, he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death –even death on a cross.**

**Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.**

†Hymn of Praise 127 All Praise to Christ, ENGELBERG

Words of Friendship Rev. Chris Cherry

A Time for Children Autumn Culbreth

Prayers of God's People Rev. Courtney Willis

**Our Father, which 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.
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.**

Sung Response The Lord's Prayer from Celebrate Life! Buryl Red

For thine is the king - dom, and the pow - er,
— and the glo - ry, for ev - er. A - men.

†Gospel Procession

During this Lenten season we will practice the beautiful liturgical tradition of **Gospel Procession**, a kinesthetic act symbolizing the words of John 1:14.

"And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth."

Please turn in place and face the direction of the procession for the reading of the Gospel Lesson.

Song in Procession The Truth Shall Make You Free from Celebrate Life!

For you shall know the truth, and love is
the proof that the truth shall make you free.

†Gospel Lesson Meganne Gould

Luke 13.1-9

This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus. **Thanks be to you, O Christ.**

†Song in Procession After This *from Celebrate Life! Buryl Red*

(flute)

Af - ter this he went jour-ney-ing from
town to town and vil-lage to vil-lage, pro-claim-ing the
good news of the king - dom, the king - dom of God. God.

1. 2.

Sermon Rev. Sherouse

A Journey of Joy: Joyful Humility (Philippians 2.1-13)

†Hymn 473 And Can It Be That I Should Gain? *SAGINA*

Stewardship Prayer, deacon

Ministry of Music Youth Choir, Prayer for Humility, *Mark Patterson*

Baker Lawrimore *director*, Cynthia Hartis, *accompanist*

†Song of Dismissal Prayer for Peace *from Celebrate Life! Buryl Red*

Make me an in-stru-ment of thy peace, Lord, of thy peace,

Lord, of thy peace, of thy peace,
of thy peace, of thy peace.

†Benediction Rev. Sherouse

Closing Voluntary

Preludium in G, *Johann Sebastian Bach*

Service music throughout the Lenten season comes from **Celebrate Life! the Musical** written in 1972 by Buryl Red and Ragan Courtney.

Celebrate Life!
The Musical



50th Anniversary Presentation
Palm Sunday, April 10 at 4 pm

All Praise to Christ 127

Who, being in very nature God, . . . made himself nothing. Phil. 2:6-7

Unison

1. All praise to Christ, our Lord and King di - vine, yield - ing his
 2. Christ came to us in low - li - ness of thought; by him the
 3. The mind of Christ is as our mind should be— he was a
 4. And so we see in God's great pur - pose how Christ has been
 5. Let ev - ery tongue con - fess with one ac - cord, in heaven and

glo - ry in his love's de - sign, that in our dark - ened hearts his
 out - cast and the poor were sought, and by his death was our re -
 ser - vant, that we might be free, hum - bling him - self to death on
 raised a - bove all crea - tures now, and at his name shall ev - ery
 earth, that Je - sus Christ is Lord, and God the Fa - ther be by

1-4 grace might shine: Al - le - lu - ia!
 demp - tion bought: Al - le - lu - ia!
 Cal - va - ry: Al - le - lu - ia!
 na - tion bow: Al - le - lu - ia!
 all a - dored: Al - le - lu - ia!

5 Al - le - lu - ia!

473 And Can It Be That I Should Gain?

While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Rom. 5:8

1. And can it be that I should gain an in - terest
 2. 'Tis mys - tery all! The Im - mor - tal dies! Who can ex -
 3. He left his Fa - ther's throne a - bove, so free, so
 4. Long my im - pris - oned spir - it lay fast bound in
 5. No con - dem - na - tion now I dread; Je - sus, and

in the Sav - ior's blood? Died he for me, who caused his pain? For
 plore his strange de - sign? In vain the first - born ser - aph tries to
 in - fi - nite his grace; emp - tied him - self of all but love, and
 sin and na - ture's night; thine eye dif - fused a quick - ening ray, I
 all in him, is mine! A - live in him, my liv - ing head, and

me, who him to death pur - sued? A - maz - ing love! how can it
 sound the depths of love di - vine! 'Tis mer - cy all! Let earth a -
 bled for Ad - am's help - less race; 'tis mer - cy all, im - mense and
 woke, the dun - geon flamed with light; my chains fell off, my heart was
 clothed in right - eous - ness di - vine, bold I ap - proach the e - ter - nal

Refrain
 be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?
 dore, let an - gel minds in - quire no more. A - maz - ing
 free, for, O my God, it found out me.
 free; I rose, went forth and fol - lowed thee. A -
 throne, and claim the crown, through Christ my own.

love! how can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?
 maz - ing love! how can it be that thou, my God,

We Are the Reason 474

"For the Son of Man came to seek and to save what was lost." Lk. 19:10

Unison
 We are the rea - son that he gave his life; we are the rea -

son that he suf - fered and died. To a world that was lost he gave all

he could give, to show us the rea - son to live. live.