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UNION UNIVERSITY CHURCH
MARCH 7, 2021
THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT
COMMUNION SUNDAY
ORDER OF WORSHIP
Fusion Church

“Here Rests In Honored Glory An American Soldier Known But To God.” Inscription on the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier

PRELUDE

UNISON OPENING PRAYER *by Martin Buber*

Help me, God, to perfect my ways of loving and caring. Inspire me to make myself whole so that I may honor Your name and create a world of justice and peace. Amen.

HYMN #88

“Maker, in Whom We Live”

1. Maker, in whom we live, in whom we are and move,
the glory, power, and praise receive for thy creating love.
Let all the angel throng give thanks to God on high,
while earth repeats the joyful song and echoes to the sky.

3. Spirit of Holiness, let all thy saints adore
thy sacred energy, and bless thine heart-renewing power.
No angel tongues can tell thy love's ecstatic height,
the glorious joy unspeakable, the beatific sight.

TIME FOR THE CHILDREN

Opening Scripture Hebrews 12:1

Dexter Time (Rev. DeMott and her dog, Dexter discuss the opening scripture)

Children's Prayer

Lord's Prayer (*using debts-debtors*)

ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRAYER CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *When Rev. DeMott says, “Lord, in your mercy,” please say and/or sign “Hear our prayer.”*

SPECIAL MUSIC “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” Vocalist, Luanne Crosby

RESPONSIVE READING excerpts from Romans 16 (*Read by Larry Casey who, before his retirement, would read all of the names of the Alfred University graduates at Commencement “without error.”*)

Leader: I commend to you our sister Phoebe, a deacon of the church at Cenchreae, so that you may welcome her in the Lord as is fitting for the saints, and help her in whatever she may require from you,

People: for she has been a benefactor of many and of myself as well.

Leader: Greet Prisca and Aquila, who work with me in Christ Jesus, and who risked their necks for my life, to whom not only I give thanks, but also all the churches of the Gentiles.

People: Greet also the church in their house.

Leader: Greet my beloved Epaenetus, who was the first convert in Asia for Christ. Greet Mary, who has worked very hard among you. Greet Andronicus and Junia, my relatives who were in prison with me; they are prominent among the apostles,

People: and they were in Christ before I was.

Leader: ...Greet those workers in the Lord, Tryphaena and Tryphosa. Greet the beloved Persis, who has worked hard in the Lord. Greet Rufus, chosen in the Lord; and greet his mother—

People: a mother to me also.

Leader: Greet Asyncritus, Phlegon, Hermes, Patrobas, Hermas, and the brothers and sisters who are with them. Greet Philologus, Julia, Nereus and his sister, and Olympas, and all the saints who are with them. Greet one another with a holy kiss.

People: All the churches of Christ greet you.

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 3:13-19

SERMON

Invitation to the Table

Communion Meditation

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Words of Institution

Partaking of the Bread and Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving

HYMN #634 “Now Let Us from This Table Rise”

1. Now let us from this table rise,
renewed in body, mind, and soul;
with Christ we die and live again,
his selfless love has made us whole.

2 With minds alert, upheld by grace
to spread the word in speech and deed,
we follow in the steps of Christ,
at one with all in hope and need.

*** BENEDICTION**

*** BENEDICTION RESPONSE #898**

Danish Three-fold Amen

POSTLUDE

Serving Today

Lay Leader.....Larry Casey
Piano..... Peter O'Connor
Special Music.....Luanne Crosby
Zoom Co-host..... Lyle Slack

Following worship, you are invited to stay on Zoom for a Virtual Coffee Hour.

Sunday, March 14, 2021

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Scheduled to Serve

Lay Leader.....Tiersa Watson
Flowers..... Lent

PRAYER CONCERNS

Mindy Smith, Catherine Chambers, Ding Jiayi & family, Michelle Garcia Escobar, Clayton Stutzman, Hugh Langelier, Lois Stiles, Sharon & Roger Smith, Wes Bentz, Beverly Snyder's sister (Barbara), 3 yr. old Lowin, Marnie Johnson (Joan Schulze's niece), Sharon Burdick, all those whose families are suffering from Covid-19, Michele Hluchy's father (Rev. Stephen Hluchy), Mary Lou Cartledge's brother Walter Straight (heart surgery), Beth Slack's brother Will Jacox has recovered from Covid and is back at work, Joyce Rausch & family on the death of Jim – condolences may be sent to 24115 Waxwing Ct, Ft. Mill SC 29707

We celebrate with the Slacks on the birth of their 2 newest great grandchildren – Thomas Peter & Isabel Diane.

MISSION OF THE MONTH: Amnesty International

The Board of Elders has selected Amnesty International as the Mission of the Month for March because it is an organization that is working to free political prisoners like Ding Jiayi. Amnesty International is a global movement of more than 7 million people who take injustice personally. It is independent of any political ideology, economic interest or religion. They are campaigning for a world where human rights are enjoyed by all. If you wish to make a monetary donation please make checks out to UUC with "Amnesty" in the memo line

Amnesty International continues to work on Ding Jiayi case and has issued another urgent appeal for action. For further information on his case go to

<https://www.amnesty.org/en/documents/asa17/3670/2021/en/>