

# Order of Worship – Sunday, February 28, 2021

**PRELUDE** “What Wondrous Love” American Folk Tune Catalina Daggett

## CHIMES

**OPENING PRAYER** Landes Dung

Almighty and eternal God, you are a refiner's fire, you are the thunder in the mountain, you are the potter with the clay, you are the pillar of cloud in the wilderness and the burning bush in the desert. We do not take off our shoes as did Moses, but we do take off our pride as we stand in awe and reverence in your holy presence. Amen.

**OPENING SONG** “Blessed Be Your Name” Landes and Cassel Dung

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** Pastor Allison

**PRAYER SONG** “I Exalt Thee” Landes and Cassel Dung

**PASTORAL PRAYER** Pastor Allison

You stop us in our tracks, O Lord, with your reminder that discipleship is not a “sometime” thing. We are called to place our whole lives in your care; to follow you; to serve you by caring for others, not just once in a while, but always. We admit that we're not always ready to do this. The demand is great; the need is great; our energies are limited. Help us to place our trust and our lives in your care. You will give us the strength and courage that we will need for this step on the journey. Be with us. Help us to remember that your love is poured out for all your people; you are never far away.

Christ, we pray for those who are sick, in the hospital, recovering at home, or facing procedures....

We pray for those who mourn, asking for the Holy Spirit to comfort them and remind them of the hope we have in You....

We pray for those who are traveling. See them safely home....

We celebrate with those who celebrate....

We pray for our first responders, health care professionals, and our spiritual leaders....

We lift up these prayers to You, as well as spoken prayer requests and unspoken prayers of our people....

*Silent prayer*

We pray in the name of our Savior who taught us to pray, saying...

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 have trespassed against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

**SERMON** “Fruitful” Pastor Allison  
Luke 13:6-9

**CLOSING SONG** “Pass It On” Landes and Cassel Dung

**OFFERING PRAYER** Pastor Allison

Great and eternal God, we bring forth gifts of praise and thanks for your presence and your love. We praise you for your Church and its witness and ministry to all. May our gifts and our lives be strengthened by your Spirit and further the ministries of your Church through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

## RESPONSIVE BLESSING

Pastor: Where will we go and who will we be?

**All: We go out into the world to be God's people.**

**POSTLUDE** “In The Cross” arr. Janet Linker Catalina Daggett



***Inside Worship beginning  
March 7<sup>th</sup> at 10am  
in our historic sanctuary***

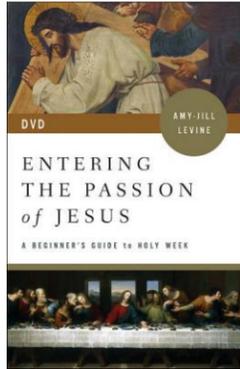
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after Worship today or calling the office  
next week. Review the insert with the  
protocols for attending worship.***

***Seating is limited***

***We will no longer have the  
courtyard service at 11am***

## Bible Reading for the week of March 1-7

Date	Passage
March 1	Luke 13:10-17
March 2	Luke 13:18-30
March 3	Luke 14:1-6
March 4	Luke 14:7-14
March 5	Luke 14:15-24
March 6	Luke 14:25-33
March 7	Luke 15:1-32



**This Lenten season, dive deep into the history of Jesus' last days before his crucifixion.**

Jesus' final days were full of risk. Every move he made was filled with anticipation, danger, and the potential for great loss or great reward. Jesus risked his reputation when he entered Jerusalem in a victory parade. He risked his life when he dared to teach in the Temple. His followers risked everything when they left behind their homes, or anointed him with costly perfume. We take risks as we read and re-read these stories, finding new meanings and new challenges.

In *Entering the Passion of Jesus: A Beginner's Guide to Holy Week*, author, professor, and biblical scholar Amy-Jill Levine explores the biblical texts surrounding the Passion story. She shows us how the text raises ethical and spiritual questions for the reader, and how we all face risk in our Christian experience.



We begin our journey through Jesus' final days with two options – our regular **Wednesday night at 6 PM** and a new time, **Monday at 11:30 AM**. We will meet on Zoom and the link will be emailed each week.



We are now setup for **online giving**. You can go to the App Store on your phone and download the app or go to our website and click on the Give button at the top of our home page. I used this and it is an easy way to pay your donations. If you have any questions, please call the office.

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*Our Mission Statement:*

**To Make Disciples of Jesus Christ for  
the Transformation of the World**



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