

The Words of Institution

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right for us to give thanks and praise.

Communion of the People

Prayer following Communion

WE DEPART TO SERVE

*Hymn 450, vs. 1, 3 *Be Thou My Vision*

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction ~ Hymn 310, vs. 1

*Postlude *Prelude in C Minor* F. Chopin

The Cross Was His Own

Author unknown

They borrowed a bed to lay His head when Christ the Lord came down.

They borrowed a colt on the mountain slope for Him to ride to town.

But the crown that he wore and the Cross that he bore were His own.

The Cross was his own. The Cross was his own.

He borrowed the bread when the crowd He fed on the grassy mountainside.

He borrowed the dish of broken fish with which He satisfied.

But the crown that he wore and the Cross that he bore were His own.

The Cross was his own. The Cross was his own.

He borrowed a ship in which to sit to teach the multitude.

He borrowed a nest in which to rest; He had never a home so rude.

He borrowed a room on His way to the tomb, the Passover lamb to eat.

They borrowed a cave for Him a grave; they borrowed a winding sheet.

But the crown that he wore and the Cross that he bore were His own.

The Cross was his own. The Cross was his own.



WOODSTOCK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, MARCH 4, 2018 - 11:00 AM

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

*“I was glad when they said to me,
‘Let us go to the house of the Lord!’” Psalm 122:1*

Welcome to all who gather to worship today! We hope you feel warmly welcomed and even “at home,” for all are welcome in God’s house! If you are a guest today, we are honored by your presence with us and hope to see you again! Please take a moment to sign the Friendship Register located in the pew. Everyone is invited to stay for our Fellowship Hour following worship!

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude *Anthem for Lent* J. Althouse; *At the Cross* L. Smith; *God So Loved the World* J. Stainer

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (Psalm 119)

Ray Powell

The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul;

the decrees of the LORD are sure, making wise the simple;

the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart;

the commandment of the LORD is clear, enlightening the eyes;

the fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever;

the ordinances of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb.

ALL: Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

*Hymn 1 *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!*

*Opening Prayer (*pray together*)

O God, our Guide and Guardian, you have led us apart from the busy world into the quiet of your house. Grant us grace to worship you in Spirit and in truth, to the comfort of our souls and the up-building of every good purpose and holy desire. Enable us to do more perfectly the work to which you have called us, that we may not fear the coming of night, when we shall resign into your hands the tasks which you have committed to us. So may we worship you not with our lips at this hour, but in word and deed all the days of our lives; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.



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Invitation to Confession of Sin Confessing our Sins to God

Almighty God, we confess that we are often swept up in the tide of our generation. We have failed in our calling to be your holy people, a people set apart for your divine purpose. We live more in apathy born of fatalism than in passion born of hope. We are moved more by private ambition than by social justice. We dream more of privilege and benefits than of service and sacrifice. We try to speak in your name without relinquishing our glories, without nourishing our souls, without relying wholly on your grace. Help us to make room in our hearts and lives for you. Forgive us, revive us, and reshape us in your image. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

The Lord builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the outcasts of Israel. He heals the brokenhearted, and binds up their wounds. Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Amen!

WE EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

Children's Message

Morgan Sacler

Anthem

The Cross Was His Own
Lyrics on back

T. Fettke

Scripture Readings

Old Testament Exodus 20:1-17
Gospel John 2:13-22

Minister: This is the Word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God!

Message "Bringing Good from Bad" Rev. John Cushwa

***Hymn 353** *My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less*

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*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.

***Gloria Patri** (words at left)

Prayers of Intercession

God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

There Is Power In the Blood

L. Jones

***Doxology** (words at left of page)

Prayer of Dedication

(words at left of page)
Simple, small things, Lord, made of metal and paper. But how important they can become to us. Help us in giving our tithes and offerings to put them in their proper place - as tools, means to serve you from whom all our blessings flow. Amen.

Sacrament of Holy Communion

***Hymn 223, vs. 1, 4** *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

The Invitation Prayer

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Glory Be to the Father

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen! Amen!

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 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.

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.