

4th SUNDAY IN LENT

WE GATHER AROUND GOD'S WORD

♪ Organ Prelude · Bobbi Hunter

Tiento de Quarto Tono. ... Francisco de Araujo

Call to Worship (responsively) · Lou Pennebaker

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

People: Worship the Lord with gladness! Come into God's presence with singing!

Leader: Know this! The Lord is God.

People: Know this! We are God's people, and the sheep of God's pasture.

Leader: Give thanks to God and bless God's holy name.
For the Lord is good;

People: God's steadfast love endures forever, God's faithfulness is for all generations.

* ♪ Hymn of Praise · Great is Thy Faithfulness

No. 276

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

We come believing in our emptiness, believing that we will never have enough, believing that what we have is unworthy. We come fearful of sharing, fearful of losing our tenuous grip on security, fearful of touching and knowing the pain of others. We come overwhelmed by the hunger, overwhelmed by the suffering of children near and far, overwhelmed by the endless tales of senseless violence, greed, and death. We come aching from the weight of the responsibility, aching from the chilling challenge of knowing our abundance, aching from the gnawing awareness that we have much to share.

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Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*  **Gloria Patri**

No. 579

* **Passing of The Peace**

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Greetings and Announcements

Why I Give · Helen Fortner

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading · Ben Ball

Psalm 51:6-12, 15-17 (pg. 889)

 **Anthem · Chancel Choir**

Reach Out and Touch ... Charles F. Brown

Richard Dinwiddie, director; Sharon Dinwiddie, accompanist
(CCLI #20405356)

Scripture Reading

Matthew 6:19-23 (pg. 1504)


Ministry of the Word · The Rev. Charie Reid

“Storing Up Our Treasures”

4th In the Series “Centering on Jesus”

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WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

- *  **Hymn** · Spirit of the Living God (sing twice)
No. 322


Spiritual Practice – The Fourth Week

*Suggested practice: Breath Prayer – see insert
(a contemplative way of praying)*

Acknowledgement and Blessing of Offerings


- *  **Hymn of Response** · Be Thou My Vision
No. 339

Prayer of the People and the Lord's Prayer

- *  **Closing Hymn** · Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy
Blessing
No. 538

- * **Benediction**

- *  **Congregational Response** · Go Now in Peace

 **Organ Postlude** · Bobbi Hunter
Allegro Energico ... Francisco de Araujo