



FEBRUARY 28, 2021

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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PRELUDE

"Solemn Melody"

Henry Walford Davies

CALL TO WORSHIP

INTROIT

"Be Still, My Soul"

Jenny Smith, soloist

Glory to God #819

*Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side.
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain.
Leave to thy God to order and provide,
who through all changes faithful will remain.
Be still, my soul: thy best, thy heavenly Friend
through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Dr. Charles Ore

For filling up our lives with little room for You,
Forgive and restore us, O God.
For worry that outlasts trust,
Forgive and restore us, O God.
For choosing being right over being in relationship,
Forgive and restore us, O God.

Hear our prayers, O God.

Time for Silent Prayer

Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

We worship a God who chooses relationship over perfection.
God is with you always, forgiving and restoring you to life.
Friends, believe the good news!
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

CHILDREN'S TIME

Cindy Lloyd

HYMN

"You Are Mine"

*I will come to you in the silence, I will lift you from all your fear.
You will hear my voice, I claim you as my choice,
be still, and know I am here.*

*I am hope for all who are hopeless, I am eyes for all who long to see.
In the shadows of the night, I will be your light,
come and rest in me.*

(Refrain)

*Do not be afraid, I am with you. I have called you each by name.
Come and follow me, I will bring you home;
I love you and you are mine.*

*I am the Word that leads all to freedom, I am the peace the world cannot give.
I will call your name, embracing all your pain,
stand up, now walk, and live!*

(Refrain)

*Do not be afraid, I am with you. I have called you each by name.
Come and follow me, I will bring you home;
I love you and you are mine.*

MARK 15: 25-38

²⁵ It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. ²⁶The inscription of the charge against him read, 'The King of the Jews.' ²⁷And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. ²⁹Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying, 'Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, ³⁰save yourself, and come down from the cross!'

³¹In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying, 'He saved others; he cannot save himself. ³²Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe.' Those who were crucified with him also taunted him.

³³ When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. ³⁴At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, 'Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?' which means, 'My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?' ³⁵When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, 'Listen, he is calling for Elijah.' ³⁶And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying, 'Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down.' ³⁷Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. ³⁸And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom.

LUKE 17:31-33

³¹On that day, anyone on the housetop who has belongings in the house must not come down to take them away; and likewise anyone in the field must not turn back. ³²Remember Lot's wife. ³³Those who try to make their life secure will lose it, but those who lose their life will keep it.

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

The Black Hole of Faith
Gifts of the Dark Wood – The Gift of Emptiness
Rev. Dr. Sue Coller

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Be Thou Still" Johann Franck
Jenny Smith, soloist

*Be thou still, and learn of God.
He will guide thy daily living,
when in faith ye turn to him.
Therefore daily thanks be giving.
He will all thy hopes fulfill. Be thou still.
In this quiet learn of his will. Be thou still.*

*Be thou still, though dark thy way.
Soon the light of love will brighten,
as in peace ye dwell each day.
Soon the weight of sin will lighten.
Seek to do thy Father's will. Be thou still.
In this quiet learn of his will. Be thou still.*

BREAKING OPEN OUR HEARTS WITH PRAYER

Email: pray@fpclincn.org

Text: PRAY to 402-235-9510

**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;
lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,
for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

BREAKING OPEN OUR HEARTS WITH GENEROSITY

Mail: 840 S 17th St., Lincoln, NE 68508

Text: MissionPossible to 73256 to give by text

Online: www.OnRealm.org/FPCLincoln/Give

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“Be of Good Courage”

George Philipp Telemann

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Blessing from [Gifts of the Dark Wood](#) by Eric Elnes.

Series based on [Gifts of the Dark Wood](#) by Eric Elnes

Liturgy by Marcia McFee, www.worshipdesignstudio.com

ANNOUNCEMENTS

In-Person Worship and Activities

Resume March 14

In-Person Worship @ 10 am in the Sanctuary

Hybrid Communion @ 8:30 am in Great Hall

More Info: fpclincn.org/COVID

Online Worship Available all week

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Coffee & a Muffin Book Group

Bad Girls of the Bible

Saturdays @ 10 am on Zoom

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A River Through the Desert

6-week Virtual Lenten Pilgrimage

from Galilee to Golgotha

Sundays @ 9 am on Zoom

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Galatians Bible Study

Wednesdays @ Noon or 6 pm

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Annual Meeting

Sunday, February 28 @ 9:30 am on Zoom

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Zoom Communion

Sunday Feb. 28 & Mar. 7 @ 10 am

Join us @ 9:45 for fellowship

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Wednesday Evening Prayer

Wednesdays @ 7:15 pm on Facebook

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