

Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 14, 2021

PRELUDE *O How Blessed are You, Op. 112, no. 6*

Brahms (1833-1896)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Look to the Lord your God, and live.

People: Give thanks to the Holy One, our Savior:

Leader: For though we once were dead in sin,

People: now, by the grace of God, we live.

Leader: Let us worship God.

OPENING HYMN *Forty Days and Forty Nights*

Aus der Tiefe rufe ich

Forty days and forty nights you were fasting in the wild;
Forty days and forty nights tempted, and yet undefiled.

Shall not we your sorrow share and from worldly joys abstain,
Fasting with unceasing prayer, strong with you to suffer pain?

So shall we have peace divine: holier gladness ours shall be,
Round us, too, shall angels shine, such as served you faithfully.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God our Redeemer, we confess that we are people of ashes and dust. We grumble and complain when you have provided all we need. We continue to walk in darkness when you have given light to the world. Forgive us, Lord, this and all our sin. Help us to trust in you so that we may not perish but may have eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Numbers 21: 4-9

ANTHEM *What Wondrous Love is This*

Wondrous Love

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

John 3:14-21

SERMON *A God who saves.*

Rev. Patrick Pettit

CLOSING HYMN

O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing

Azmon

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of God's grace!

The name of Jesus charms our fears, and bids our sorrows cease,
sings music in the sinner's ears, brings life and health and peace.

Christ speaks, and listening to His voice new life the dead receive;
The mournful waken to rejoice; the poor in heart believe.

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,
to spread thro' all the earth abroad the honors of Thy name.

To God all glory, praise and love be now and ever given
By saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heaven.

CHARGE & BLESSING

POSTLUDE *My Heart is Filled with Longing Op. 122, no. 12* Brahms



Prayers for Health and Other Concerns:

The Legacy: Eloise Morris

Shenandoah Nursing Home: Rubye Schwab

Regency at Fishersville: Glennis Bear

Summit Square: Lillian Hryshkanych

Home: Dick Huff, Nancy Garber, Mary Ultee, Edie Lawrence, Steve Doherty, Kathy Brown, Mary Ann Maupin

Friends and Family: Andy & Jean Robeson, Wanda Braden, Lucy Colbert, Charlie Fairchild (Cunninghams), Steve Stevens, Marianne Beck, Bill Bromley (Jen Jones), Danny Smith (Nancy Hypes), Jennifer & Charlotte Sergeant (Kathy Brown), Emily Bardeen (Sandi Henderson), Kathy Doyle (Cindy & Rodger Doyle), Bill Metzler (Joyce Tipton), Tony Poplin, Jerry Hughes, Paul Watts (Colleen Cash), Shae Blackwell and Family (Preschool), Col. Stuart Roberts (Mark Henderson)

Military: Jeremiah Henderson, Carson Craig

Missionaries: Elmarie & Scott Parker, PC (USA) Regional Liaisons to Iraq, Syria & Lebanon

Pastors: Evan Smith, Sarah Hill, Patrick Ryan

