

HYMNS

Morning Has Broken

Morning has broken like the first morning,
Blackbird has spoken like the first bird.
Praise for the singing!
Praise for the morning!
Praise for them springing fresh from
the Word!

Sweet the rain's new fall, sunlit from heaven,
Like the first dewfall on the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,
Sprung in completeness where His feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight,
Mine is the morning,
Born of the one light Eden saw play!
Praise with elation, praise ev'ry morning,
God's re-creation of the new day.

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

Precious Lord, take my hand,
Lead me on, let me stand;
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.
Through the storm, through the night
Lead me on to the light,
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When my way grows drear, precious Lord,
linger near;
When my light is almost gone;
Hear my cry, hear my call,
Hold my hand lest I fall,
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When the darkness appears and the night
draws near;
And the day is past and gone;
At the river I stand,
Guide my feet, hold my hand,
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.



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Our Covenant

As followers of Jesus Christ,
we commit ourselves to share in the worship and service of God,
to grow in the knowledge and expression of our faith,
to reach out with compassion to those in need,
to treat each other with love and understanding,
and to return to God a portion of God's gifts.

SUNDAY WORSHIP ONLINE

March 7, 2021 ~ 10:00 am

Third Sunday in Lent / Installation of 2021 Boards

To access the service online
go to firstchurchtosa.org - home page.
Under **Worship** heading, click on **March 7th Service**.

Sunday Worship Service Preview ~ March 14, 2021 - 10 AM Online

Rev. William S. Trump

Rhonda Kwiecien, Keyboard Musician

Frogwater: John & Susan Nicholson, and Jillian Bruss, Mezzo-Soprano

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Founded as an extension of the mission of the First Congregational Church of Wauwatosa, the
Congregational Home, creates and maintains a caring community for the elderly offering housing,
health care and quality of life services.

President/CEO - Kris Sprtel-NHA, Chaplain – Dan Cunningham, Board Chair – Merrill York

WELCOME

Rev. William S. Trump

THE PRELUDE

Arise, My Soul, Arise
Rhonda Kwiecien, Keyboard Musician

arr. by Dan Forrest

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Open to me the gates of righteousness: I will go unto them and I will praise the Lord.
This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.
O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good; for His mercy endureth forever.
He gives me strength and keeps me safe all the days of my life.

HYMN (see page 4)

Morning Has Broken
Jill Bruss, Mezzo-Soprano

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PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Eternal God, we come to You this morning not because we must, but because we may. We come in freedom to praise You and find in Your Word guidance for our lives. Strengthen us so that we can return to our daily lives with new directions and a dedication for living our lives according to Your Will. Fill our hearts with the joy and power of Your Love, so that we may reflect and share this magnificent love in all that we do. 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.

INSTRUMENTAL RESPONSE

CHILDREN'S STORY Tonia Wallner and Rev. Trump

INSTALLATION OF ELECTED OFFERS, COUNCIL MEMBERS, BOARD AND
COMMITTEE MEMBERS (see insert)

THE LESSON (See insert) John 3:1-17

SPECIAL MUSIC *The Cross of Calvary*
Jillian Bruss, Soloist by Charles Gounod

THE MESSAGE “Nicodemus” Rev. Trump

PASTORAL PRAYER AND RESPONSE

SPECIAL MUSIC *When I Think Upon Thy Goodness* by Franz Joseph Haydn

DEDICATION OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

HYMN (see page 4) *Precious Lord, Take My Hand* PRECIOUS LORD

INSTRUMENTAL BENEDICTION

THE BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Healer of Our Every Ill* by Jeffrey Honore

The Chancel flowers are given to my Princess Di.
This is seven on the way to thirty (or more)!

Caring Corner
As of March 5, 2021

In Our Prayers
***Jeff Daly**, who is recovering from a broken ankle at the Congregational Home.*

***Mary Beth Stevenson and family**, as they mourn the passing of Mary Beth's mother,
Judith R. Stevenson, on February 13th.*

***Andrew Meser**, son of John & Tracy Meser, who was injured in a skiing accident,
is recovering at home. He is the grandson of Jeff & Retta Meser.*

LESSON
John 3:1-17
(NRSV)

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.”

Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.”

Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?”

Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.”

Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

“Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

Solo: *The Cross of Calvary*
Text: Alfred Phillips (1844-1936)

Come all ye weary cease from your sighing,
Come to the Cross where the Saviour
is dying;
Here lowly kneeling, each sin confessing,
Rest shall be giv’n you, pardon and blessing;
Come ye to Calvary!

Come, for He calls you, waits to receive you;
Life everlasting He freely will give you!
Will ye, unheeding, turn from His pleading?
Pass not, O pass not by Calvary!

Come then, ye weary, kneel ye before Him,
Banish your sorrow, gladly adore Him.
His death your life shall be!
Yet, O remember Calvary!

Solo: *When I Think Upon Thy Goodness*
Text: Franz Joseph Haydn

When I think upon Thy goodness,
And recall Thy tender care,
Then, O Lord, my heart confesses,
How great Thy bounties are.

For Thy love it ever floweth,
Like the sea, it hath no bound;
When in grief my heart was broken,
Then O Lord was mercy found.

INSTALLATION OF ELECTED OFFICERS, COUNCIL MEMBERS,
BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

A Scripture Lesson 1 Corinthians 12:4-8 Rev. Bill Trump

Minister:
As recently elected Officers of this church, I have asked you to come forward representing all of the 67 people who serve on the boards and committees of the church. Are you ready to accept and faithfully carry out these ministries of First Congregational Church?

Those Installed: **Yes, with the help of God.**

Minister:
Will you work together with other members to see that the worship and work of Christ are done in this Congregation?

Those Installed: **Yes, we will.**

Minister:
I pray you will serve with diligence and enthusiasm, empowered by God's Spirit. You are to be examples of faith active in love. . . to help advance the life and harmony of this congregation.

To you, the members of this congregation gathered here in this room and the many who join us from their homes, I ask you: Will you support these, your elected leaders, and will you share in the mutual ministry to which God has called us?

People: **Yes, we will with the help of God.**

Minister:
This congregation has declared you installed as leaders of the First Congregational Church of Wauwatosa. May God bless you with His Holy Spirit, that you may prove faithful servants of Christ.

ALL: **Amen.**

Prayer