Anthem: O Love That Will Not Let Me Go Text: George Matheson

O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in Thee. I give Thee back the life I owe, That in Thine ocean depths its flow May richer fuller be.

O Light that foll'west all my way, I yield my flickr'ing torch to Thee. My heart restores its borrowed ray, That in Thy sunshine's blaze its day May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to Thee. I trace the rainbow through the rain, And feel the promise is not vain, That morn shall ever tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head,
I dare not hide from Thee.
I lay in dust life's glory dead,
And from the ground there blossoms red,
Life that shall endless be.

O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in Thee.

Anthem: Be, Thou, My Vision Text: Ancient Irish, translated by Mary Byrne

Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart. Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art, Thou my best thought by day or by night, Waking or sleeping Thy presence my light.

Riches I need not, nor man's empty praise, Thou mine inheritance, now and always. Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, High King of heaven my Treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys,
O bright heav'ns Sun!
Heart of my own heart,
Whatever befall,
Still my Vision, O Ruler of all.

WORSHIP PREVIEW FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 3, 2022

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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.

Gathered in 1842

WORSHIP & COMMUNION IN THE NAVE March 27, 2022- 10:00 a.m. / 4th Sunday in Lent

Please silence your cell phones.

If you are a guest today, we would love to meet you!

Please join us for Coffee Fellowship in the Friendship Lounge following the service.

WELCOME Dr. Gerry B. Krupp

GREETING OF PEACE

CHIMES

PRELUDE What Wondrous Love is This setting by David Gale

Rhonda Kwiecien, Keyboard Musician

THE CALL TO WORSHIP Patty Reddy

Leader: In God we live and move and have our being. In Him is fullness of joy.

PEOPLE: We come apart for this hallowed hour to break the spell of that which blinds

our minds; to purify our hearts that we may see Him.

Leader: May God renew our inward life through the unseen and eternal; witness to us

that we are His children.

PEOPLE: Create in us clean hearts, O God, and renew the right spirit within us, through

Jesus Christ our Lord.

*HYMN 191 What Wondrous Love is This WONDROUS LOVE

(verses 1, 2 & 3)

*THE PRAYER OF GENERAL CONFESSION (unison)

O Thou who art beyond the measure of our mind, yet art nearer to us than breathing. Because Thou hast first loved us, we dare to come to Thee with our fractured loves and our broken lives. We confess that we have been careless, selfish, inhibited and deaf to Thy Word of Life. Those things which we ought to do, we have neglected; those things we should not do, we have done to our shame. Forgive us, most merciful Father. Create in us a clean heart, and renew a right spirit in us. May Thy grace wash us clean, and the light of Thy love enlighten our hearts again. So may we bring Thee our songs and our prayers and our humble gratitude. Bless us as we bow before Thee now, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*THE GLORIA PATRI (Hymn 558)

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.

CHILDREN'S STORY Tonia Wallner

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.

Children ages 3 – entering 5th grade are invited to Sunday School. Youth in grades 6th - 12th are invited to Pilgrim Fellowship in Youth Room 302.

THE LESSON Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32 Bible, page 952

ANTHEM O Love That Will Not Let Me Go by Molly Ijames Katelyn Peterson directs the FCC Choir

THE MESSAGE "The Appealing Love of God" Pastor Krupp

THE CALL TO PRAYER and TIME FOR SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER AND CHORAL RESPONSE

THE OFFERTORY Be Thou My Vision by Craig Courtney

Duet with Jillian Bruss & Brett Hanisko

*THE DOXOLOGY (Hymn 563)

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

THE INVITATION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

OFFERING OF THE BREAD

(The bread is received individually symbolizing our individuality before God.)

OFFERING OF THE CUP

(The cup is held and received together symbolizing our unity in Christ.)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*HYMN 48 Love Divine, All Love's Excelling

BEECHER

(verses 1, 2 & 3)

*THE CHARGE and BENEDICTION

THE POSTLUDE Love Divine, All Love's Excelling Setting by Joel Raney

CARE FOR CHILDREN

A nursery for infants and toddlers is available during the 10:00 AM service.

Caring Corner

As of March 24, 2022

Born to Eternal Life

Audrey Danielson passed away March 23 at age 100. There will be a private service for the family on Wednesday of next week.

Ruth Ehlert passed away March 3, 2022. Services were held.

^{*}Indicates where the congregation is asked to stand, if able.