

Sunday, March 26, 2017

Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:30am

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As the prelude plays, silently come into the Lord's presence.  
Open your heart and give yourself up to Christ  
who is here to meet you today.  
"Be still and know that I am God." Psalm 46:10

PRELUDE

Dr. Paul Thorlakson

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 65

Leader: Praise is due to You, O God, in Zion.  
**People: O You who answer prayer! To You all flesh shall come.**

\*HYMN

"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

No. 478

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

**Loving God, thank You for coming to us in our weakness. We know that it is only by Your Son Jesus' sacrifice that we are justified and saved. We are thankful God, that You are who You say You are. Forgive us Lord, for we have sinned against You. We daily turn our backs on the poor and the hurting. We praise You still for while we were yet sinful, You died for us. In the name of the Holy Trinity, Amen.**

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE

[Please share Christ's peace with one another with handshakes, hugs, kisses—however you feel led.]

\*HYMN

"Spirit of the Living God"  
**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me;  
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.  
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.  
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Beth Feiler

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 17:3-7 (OT p64)

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 5:1-5 (NT p155)

SERMON

**ROMANS: FAITH FOR DUMMIES**  
"Where is God When it Hurts?"

Rev. Robert Bronkema

\*HYMN

"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

No. 298

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

Dr. Paul Thorlakson

\*DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

\*HYMN

"Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing"

No. 538

\*BENEDICTION & CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE "Let There Be Peace on Earth"

\*POSTLUDE

Dr. Paul Thorlakson

**NEXT WEEK**  
Isaiah 53:4-9  
Roman 5:6-11  
"The Proof of God's Love"

# 11:00am

Greeting & Announcements

\*Praise & Worship

*God of Wonders  
Your Grace is Enough  
Cornerstone*

Prayer & Peace

Children's Message: Beth Feiler

*(For those who wish, children grades 1-4 can leave for children's church at this time.)*

Scripture Readings

Exodus 17:3-7; Romans 5:1-5

Sermon

*Where is God When it Hurts?*

\*Offering/Closing Song

*Jesus Messiah*

\*Benediction

SERMON NOTES:

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