The Church of the Open Hands

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Welcome to this New Worship Service to address the Public Gathering Restrictions due to COVID-19

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Desperately Thirsty

March 15, 2020 3rd Sunday in Lent

(Recorded March 17, 2020)

Welcome / Greetings

Prelude

I Need Thee Every Hour

Robert Lowry arr. John Purifoy

*Sung Call to Worship (responsively) Change My Heart, O God

We come to the well of fear and doubt

Refrain: Change my heart O God; make it ever true. Change my heart O God; may I be like you.

We come to the well of anger and hate

Refrain: Change my heart O God; make it ever true. Change my heart O God; may I be like you.

Lord, bring us to the water of peace and hope

Song & Refrain Change my heart O God; make it ever true. Change my heart O God; may I be like you. You are the Potter; I am the clay. Mold me and make me; this is what I pray. Change my heart O God; make it ever true. Change my heart O God; may I be like you.

Mindfulness Prayer

⁵ So he came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. ⁶ Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon. ⁷ A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." ⁸ (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) ⁹ The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) ¹⁰ Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." ¹¹ The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? ¹² Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" ¹³ Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, ¹⁴ but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." ¹⁵ The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."

Musical Selection

Take, O Take Me as I Am

Take, O take me as I am; Summon out what I shall be; Set your seal upon my heart and live in me.

Reflection & Desperately Thirsty Pastor Eddie

Reading of Poem: Pandemic by Lynn Ungar

Prayer & Offertory Air from Water Music G. F. Handel

Doxology All That We Have Jerry Custer

All that we have, all that we are, All that we hope to be: Work of our hands, fruit of our lives --All this, we offer to Thee.

Prayer of Dedication & The Lord's Prayer

God, our gifts are so minute in comparison to your generosity. Transform our simple offering into ministries that quench parched lives with the water of faithful living. Nurture our need to share your water through the gifts that you have given us so freely in the name of Jesus Christ who taught us to pray: 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.

Benediction

Closing Musical Selection

Christe, Du Lamm Gottes

Johann Sebastian Bach

Please join us this Sunday, March 22 at 10:00 a.m. when our next podcast will be posted to the website. While we are physically distancing ourselves, let this be our way of avoiding spiritual distancing ourselves from our church family and friends.

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