

Living Mosaics

Fourth Sunday in Lent March 27, 2022 11:15 a.m.

Gathering Song #418

Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling

Call to Worship

A shepherd who scours the wilderness, looking for a lost lamb; a woman who searches high and low for her misplaced silver coin; a father who scans the horizon for a glimpse of his wayward son this is what God's love is like. We gather 'round Jesus—our teacher and Lord seeking wisdom and understanding, longing for a foretaste of the kingdom of heaven. Our Lord welcomes us with prodigal grace!

Song # 475 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

God, your kingdom confounds us. You challenge our assumptions about right living and stretch our understanding of what holds worth. You reverse our expectations and reorder our priorities until they reflect your vision of well-being for all. Your kingdom surprises us with grace upon grace. But we cling to the values of this world, which privilege products over people, success over service, and competition for resources over the common good. Open us to new ways of living that embody your desire for creation and contribute to a commonwealth marked by justice and joy. Amen.

Assurance of God's Forgiveness

Scripture Lesson Luke 15: 1-3, 11b-32

Response

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word. Thanks be to God.

Song #173 A Woman and a Coin

Message

Song #771

What Is the World Like

Prayers of the People

Gregory Knox Jones

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.

Song #22 God of the Sparrow (V. 1-4)

Sending

Song #22 God of the Sparrow (V. 5-6)

Song #22

Following worship, feel free to make a bouquet to brighten someone's day. The flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Jack and Janet Foster and Sara Jane Evans and Charles Pfleegor by Anne Foster and Chip Pfleegor.

We are thankful for your presence and participation this morning. Westminster has two worship options each Sunday. Our first service is at 9:00 a.m., and includes organ and choral music. Both services include prayers, singing, scripture, and a sermon.

Children are always welcome. You will find worship bags for children near the chapel entrance.

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