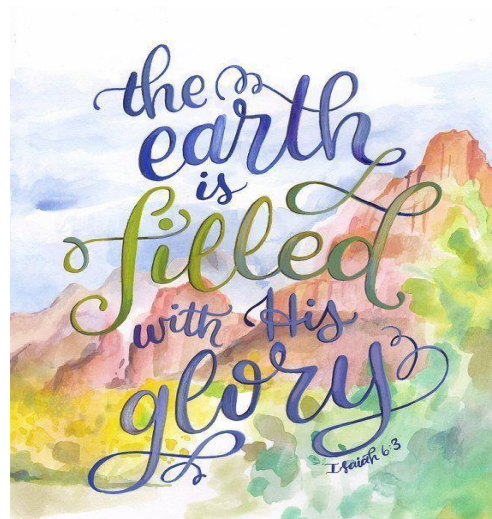


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The 3rd Sunday in Lent
March 12, 2023, 10:00 am

Guest Speaker: Rev. Michael Wheatley

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[* At this sign, rise in body or in spirit; **bold text** indicates congregation's responses.]

Welcome and Announcements

Liturgist: Phil Haisley

Prelude

*Call to Worship

It is by grace that we are who we are:

people who are called by Jesus, yet afraid to follow.

It is by God's grace that we can become followers:

people who are fearful yet gifted with courage beyond wonder.

It is with God's grace that we become who we might be:

people who step out in faith, sharing the good news generously.

*Hymn # 1

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

Call to Reconciliation

It is simple to say, yet so difficult to live out—"do not be afraid!" Yet, whatever fear burdens us, God will lift from our souls. Whatever foolishness we have uttered, God whispers mercy to us. Whatever wrong we have done, God's forgiveness is poured out upon us. I invite you to join with me as we pray to the One whose love is constant in every moment, in every place, of our lives.

Prayer of Confession

God of wonder and joy, we look in the mirror and do not see holiness reflected back. We long to be sisters and brothers with others, but don't want to be an intrusion in our friends' lives. We yearn to be more compassionate, yet it is often spite and malice we offer to someone else. We are so busy listening to those internal i-pods, that we have trouble hearing the cries of loneliness coming from those around us.

Forgive us, God who longs to be enthroned in our hearts. You call us to different lives, so we might make a difference for all who hurt. You invite us into your kingdom, so we might show others the way. You challenge us to take a risk by following Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, so we might become your children once again.

(Silence)

Assurance of Pardon

The One who alone is Holy became wholly human so we might see the face of grace. The One who is seated in the heavens endured the cross so we might see the face of salvation. This is our good news: we are forgiven!

***Response #583**

Glory to God

GLORIA

Prayer for Illumination

God of steadfast love and faithfulness, you have exalted your name and your word above everything. By the power of your Holy Spirit, help us to hear your word with understanding, that in our speech and actions, we may exalt your name above all things. In Jesus' name we ask it. **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 6:1-5

NRSV OT, p. 635

Musical Offering

Gospel Reading

Luke 5:1-9

NRSV NT, p. 62

New Testament Reading

Revelation 4:1-8

NRSV NT, p. 247

Sermon

Rev. Michael Wheatley

***Hymn # 726**

Will You Come and Follow Me

KELVINGROVE

We Present Our Tithes and Offerings

(Prayer concerns may be placed in the offering plates.)

Invitation

We are invited to cast our nets into God's abundance, and to share what we have received with others. As we give our tithes and offerings today, we put our trust in the one who has called us to follow him: Jesus Christ, the great Fisher of people.

Offertory

There's a Stirring
The Greenhills Strings

Annie Herring

***Doxology #606**

Praise God from whom All Blessings Flow

*Prayer of Dedication

Holy One, we give you thanks for your generosity to us. Bless these gifts and multiply them, for the sake of those in need around us, in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

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.

*Charge and Benediction

(Please be seated to enjoy the Postlude.)

Postlude

Sources: *Feasting on the Word, Liturgies for Year C, Vol. 1; Bearers of Grace and Justice: Lectionary Liturgies for RCL Year C*, by Thom Shuman

Participants:

Guest Speaker: Rev. Michael Wheatley **Liturgist:** Phil Haisley
Music Director: Brad Caldwell **Ushers:** Donna Hadley, MaryAnne Kizuka
Sound: Cliff Kizuka, Jim Hadley **Greeter:** Delores Barnes
Zoom Hosts: Vince Greene, Jim Hadley **Counters:** Betty Hamilton, Bob Sanders

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND DATES

TODAY

Fellowship time downstairs after the service. *Coffee, Conversations, & Christianity* will meet today after Fellowship, in Room 209. Episode 3 of *The Chosen* will be shown. If you have not seen the first two, you can still enjoy this one (after all, you know the story!).

Please sign up for the **Rumpke Recycling Facility tour**. It's Wednesday, April 12th at 11:30. Signup sheet will be in Fellowship Hall.

THIS WEEK

Tuesday, March 14

- Bell Choir, 6:00 p.m., Room 110
- Square Dance Class, 7:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, March 15—The Ides!

- Viewing and discussion of *The Chosen* (episode 1.6) Bring your own lunch, dessert will be provided.
- Support group, 6:00-7:30, Room 204 (contact Dr. Stephen Benoit for info: call at 513-909-4242 or message at Stephencbenoit@outlook.com)
- AA Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Room 209
- Al-Anon, 7:00 p.m., Room 210
- Square Dancing, 7:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Thursday, March 16

- 6:00 pm, Room 210—Simple Supper and Study (Lenten study). You only need to bring an open heart!

Friday, March 17—St. Patrick's Day

- Hilltop Artists, 10:00 a.m., Room 210
- AA Meeting, 10:30 a.m., Room 209
- Anchored Awakenings, 6:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Saturday, March 18

- Pro Bono Counseling, 11:00 – 1:00, Room 204