

Fourth Sunday in Lent—March 27, 2022



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Our Mission Statement:

We are a community of believers in Christ called to be servants to all people.

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Hymn numbers (#) are in back half of the hymnal.
Everyone is invited to join in **bolded responses**.
+ Please stand as you are able.

+ Gathering +

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Praise & Worship

“God Is Good All the Time”

God is good all the time, He put a song of praise in this heart of mine;
God is good all the time, through the darkest night His light will shine.
God is good, God is good all the time.

If you're walkin' through the valley, and there are shadows all around;
Do not fear, He will guide you, He will keep you safe and sound.
'Cause He has promised to never leave you nor forsake you, and His Word
is true.

We were sinners, so unworthy, still for us He chose to die,
filled us with His Holy Spirit, now we can stand and testify
that His love is everlasting and His mercies, they will never end.

Though I may not understand all the plans You have for me;
My life is in Your hands, and, through the eyes of faith, I can clearly see.
God is good, He's so good, God is good He's so good, God is good, He's
so good all the time.

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“Great Are You Lord”

You give life. You are love. You bring light to the darkness. You give hope.
You restore ev'ry heart that is broken. And great are You, Lord. Great are
You, Lord.

It's Your breath in our lungs, so we pour out our praise, we pour out our
praise. It's Your breath in our lungs, so we pour out our praise to You only.

And all the earth will shout Your praise. Our hearts will cry, these bones will
sing, “Great are You, Lord!”

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ACS#925 "Beautiful Things"



1 All this pain; I won - der if I'll
 2 All this earth; . . . could all that is
 3 All a - round, . . . hope is spring - ing



ev - er find my way. I won - der if my
 lost ev - er be found? . . . Could a gar - den
 up from this old ground. . . . Out of cha - os,



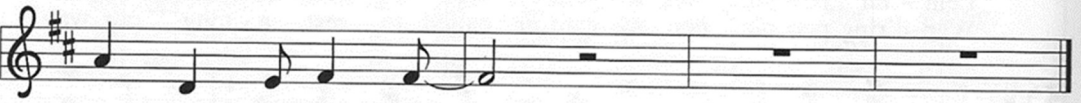
life could real - ly change at all.
 come up from this ground at all?
 life is be - ing found in you.



You make beau-ti-ful things, you make beau-ti - ful things out of the dust.



You make beau - ti - ful things, you make beau-ti -



ful things out of us.

Bridge

You make me new You are making me new
 You make me new You are making me new

+ Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of God, who makes a way in the wilderness, walks with us, and guides us in our pilgrimage. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sinfulness before God and one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy One, **we confess that we have wandered far from you: we have not trusted your promises, we have ignored your prophets in our own day, we have squandered our inheritance of grace, we have failed to recognize you in our midst. Have mercy on us! Forgive us and turn us again to you. Teach us to follow in your ways, assure us again of your love, and help us to love our neighbor. Amen.**

Beloved in Christ, the Word draws near to you, and all who call out to God shall be saved. In Jesus, God comes to you again and again and gathers you under wings of love. In ✠ Jesus' name, your sins are forgiven. God journeys with you and teaches you how to live in love. **Amen.**

+ Gathering Song

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+ Greeting

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+ Prayer of the Day

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+ Word +

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading

Joshua 5:9-12

Psalm 32

ELW #32

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

+ Gospel Acclamation

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Noth-ing in all cre - a - tion can sep-a-rate us from the love of God.



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+ Gospel Reading

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Young at Heart Message & Sermon

The Rev. Leslie D. Weber

+ Song of the Day

"Lord, Have Mercy"

Jesus, I've forgotten the words that You have spoken.
Promises that burned within my heart have now grown dim.
With a doubting heart, I follow the paths of earthly wisdom.
Forgive me for my unbelief; renew the fire again.

Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy on me.
Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy on me.

I have built an altar where I worship things of man.
I have taken journeys that have drawn me far from You.
Now I am returning to Your mercies ever flowing.
Pardon my transgressions; help me love You again.

I have longed to know You - - and Your tender mercies,
like a river of forgiveness, ever flowing without end.
I bow my heart before You in the goodness of Your presence;
Your grace forever shining like a beacon in the night.

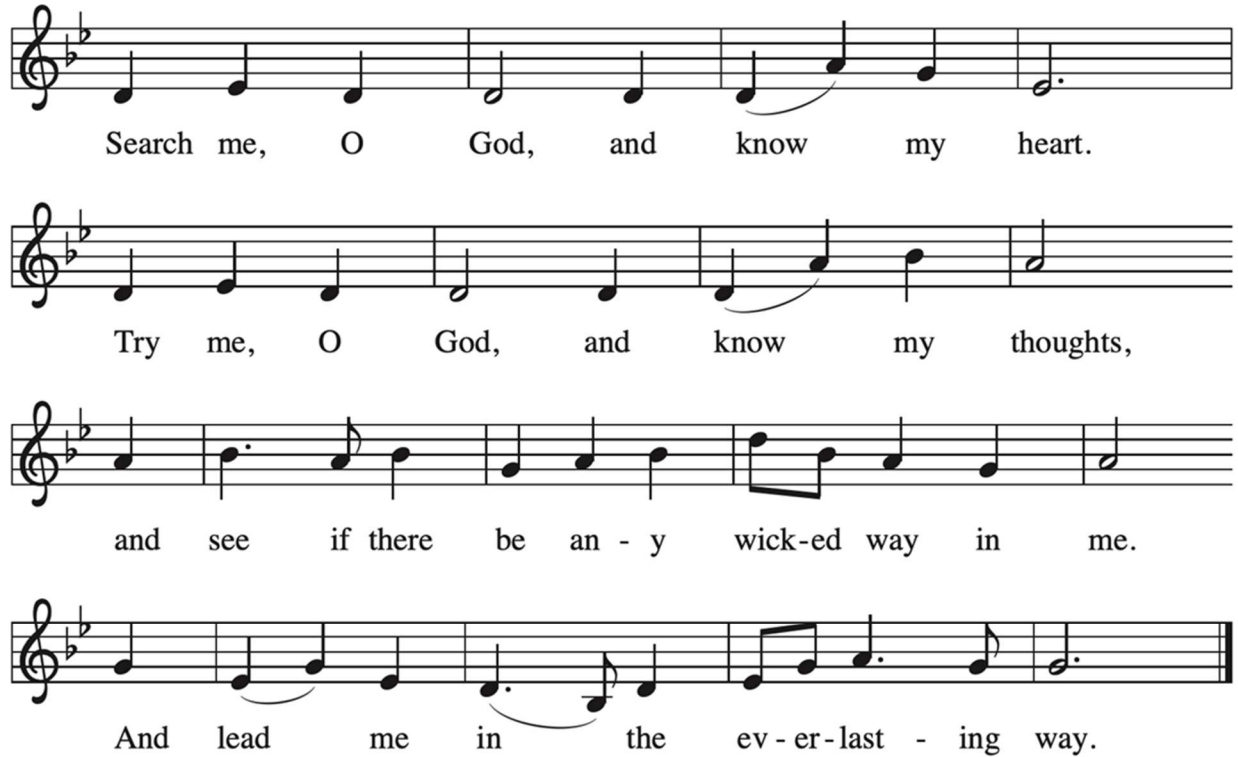
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+ Nicene Creed

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+ Prayers of Intercession

sung refrain: ACS #1076



Search me, O God, and know my heart.
Try me, O God, and know my thoughts,
and see if there be an - y wick-ed way in me.
And lead me in the ev - er - last - ing way.

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+ Peace

+Meal+
God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offering

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Checks can be also be sent to church:
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+ Offering Prayer

+ Great Thanksgiving

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+ Lord's Prayer

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Communion

Here is food and drink for the journey. Take and be filled.

Notes about Communion Distribution at Grace
At Christ's table, there is enough food, drink, blessing, space, and time for all to share in Holy Communion! GLC practices Eucharistic hospitality since we trust that God welcomes all who come to the table, where Christ is both host and meal.
Currently we are communion with prepackaged kits—there are wine, grape juice, and gluten free options available.
Where possible, commune one another saying "the body of Christ, given for you" and "the blood of Christ, shed for you."

Distribution Song

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Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

+ Prayer after Communion

+Sending+

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

+ Blessing

Announcements

+ Sending Song

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+ Dismissal

Go in peace. Remember the poor. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

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