FÎRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Seeking the peace and well-being of the city

March 26, 2023 11:00 a.m.



PRELUDE Lenten Sicilienne

F. D. Ashdown

GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

LENTEN KYRIE

CALL TO WORSHIP

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN #250 Throughout These Lenten Days and Nights WINCHESTER NEW

*INVOCATION AND 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord, when sorrows and fears break in on us, we feel you are slow to respond. We cry out, "Lord if you had come sooner, this would not have happened." We do not understand your timing. We have lost our faith that you are truly present and at work among us. You, who have wept with us and shared our pain, speak life into us that we may once again rejoice in your companionship. Restore our faith that your power at work within us can accomplish far more than we can ask or imagine.

(Silence for personal confession and reflection)

HYMN OF RESPONSE

#375 Lord, Have Mercy (Sing 3x)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ANTHEM

Man of Sorrows

P. Bliss/D. Hannibal, arr. B. Nix

J.M. Talbot

PSALM and CHORAL RESPONSE

Psalm 130 Page 635, 1st half of NRSV Bible (Choral response words: "Out of the depths I cry to you; my hope is in your promise true.") RESPONSIVE PRAYER (based on Psalm 130) One: Out of the depths we cry to you, O Lord. Many: O Lord, hear our voice! One: O Lord, if you count up our sins, who can stand before you? Many: We praise you with thanksgiving, for you have forgiven us. One: We wait for you, O Lord, and we hope in your Word. Many: We wait for you more than those who watch for the morning. All: Hope in the Lord! With the Lord there is steadfast love, and great power to redeem. He will redeem us from all our iniguities.

*HYMN OF PRAISE #634 Jesus' Hands Were Kind Hands AU CLAIR DE LA LUNE

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

HYMN OF MEDITATION#638 O Christ, the Healer, We Have ComeCANONBURY

SECOND TESTAMENT READING

John 11:1-53 Pages 108-109, 2nd half of NRSV Bible Response to the reading: **"Thanks be to God"**

SERMON "Jesus' Tears of Compassion" Rev. Dr. Ryan Sato

CELEBRATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS Offertory

 Prelude on CANONBURY
 T. Shaw

 *New Doxology
 M. Adria

 Let's praise God for each good thing.
 M. Adria

 All creation, shout and sing!
 Praise three persons, yet one Love:

 Maker, Saviour, Holy Dove! Amen.
 *Prayer of Gratitude

*HYMN FOR THE JOURNEY #629 Strong, Gentle Children

TWILIGHT

*THE BLESSING OF THE COMMUNITY

Leader: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you. People: And also with you. *Choral Benediction Pilgrims' Hymn S. Paulus *The Sending of the Community

*Congregational Amen

The service of the church into the world - - begins again this week

POSTLUDE

Prelude & Fugue in G minor, BuxWV 149 D. Buxtehude [7 min.]

*Please stand, as you are able

We are grateful for those who serve with us today: Writing prayers - Gordon Dinwoodie; Prayers of the People - Naomi Mahaffy; Scripture Reading - Twyla Fletcher, Debbie Benson, Elaine Junk; Video & Sound Technician - Evan Adnams.

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