



Celebration of Worship
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10:30 am

First Sunday of Lent

Enter in Prayer, Worship with Gratitude, Go Forth to Serve

Opening Voluntary “Grave” from *Sonata in D* Petronio Franceschini
Henry Zimmermann and Todd Oehler, trumpets

Welcome and Announcements

* **Opening Hymn** *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* (page 6)

* **Call to Worship/Responsive Sentence** Sarah Bessey

One: O Lord, in a world where many are lonely:

All: we thank you for our friends.

One: In a world where many are captive:

All: we thank you for our freedom.

One: In a world where many are hungry:

All: we thank you for your provision.

One: We pray that you will:

All: enlarge our sympathy;

One: deepen our compassion;

All: and give us grateful hearts.

* **Response of Praise** *Come, Let Us Join with Faithful Souls*

The image shows two staves of musical notation in treble clef, key of D major (one sharp), and 3/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the hymn: "Come, let us join with faith-ful souls our song of faith to raise; One". The second staff contains the melody for the second line: "fam - i - ly in heart are we, and one the God we praise." The lyrics are written below the notes.

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* Invocation and Lord's Prayer

God of elegant grace, your love touches us in so many ways: Laughter in the midst of sorrow, a warm embrace in the wake of hurt, a caring word when we need it most—all are manifestations of your presence. Teach us this way as you did the one 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.*

Scripture Reading

Luke 6:27-36

“But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

“If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

Welcoming Song *These Treasured Children* PUER NOBIS NASCITUR
(Let the children come forward.)



Our an - cient sto - ry we shall tell, till these our chil - dren know it well with -
in their souls and minds and hearts, for this is where their jour - ney starts.

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A Moment with Our Children

Rev. Robu

Solo

“Adagio” from *Sonata in D* Petronio Franceschini
Henry Zimmermann and Todd Oehler, trumpets

Prayer Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Organ Response

Invitation to Offering

Anthem

God is Our Refuge Allen Pote
Henry Zimmermann and Todd Oehler, trumpets

God is our refuge and strength;
A present help in time of trouble
Though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea,
though the waters roar and foam, we will not fear.

Come and behold the work of the Lord,
the awesome acts of God.
He is in the midst of his people,
in all the earth.

He is the Word, we are his hands,
He will lead us
He is the air, we are his song
We will celebrate his presence all the day long.

God is our refuge and strength;
A present help in time of trouble
Though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea,
though the waters roar and foam, we will not fear.

Come and behold the work of the Lord,
the awesome acts of God.
He is in the midst of his people,
in all the earth.

He is the rain, we are the stones,
He will cleanse us
He is the air, we are his song,
We will celebrate his presence all the day long.

God is our refuge and strength;
A present help in time of trouble
Though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea,
though the waters roar and foam, we will not fear.
(Psalm 46)

Sermon	“The Impossible Possibility”	Dr. Olsen
* Hymn of Departure	<i>Breathe on Me, Breath of God</i>	(page 7)
* Benediction		
Closing Voluntary	“ <i>Allegro</i> ” from <i>Sonata in D</i> Henry Zimmerman and Todd Oehler, trumpets	Petronio Franceschini

***Let everyone stand in body or in spirit.**
***** Ushers will seat late-comers.**

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
 3 Your life is life - giv - ing— to both great and small;
 4 So per - fect your glo - ry, so bril - liant your light,

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 not want - ing, not wast - ing, but rul - ing in might;
 in all life you're liv - ing, the true life of all;
 your an - gels a - dore you, all veil - ing their sight;

Most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 Your jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove,
 We blos - som and flour - ish as leaves and as flowers,
 All praise we now ren - der as your an - gels do:

al - might - y, vic - to - rious, your great name we praise.
 your clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 then with - er and per - ish— but naught dims your powers.
 in awe at the splen - dor of light hid - ing you.

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Breathe on Me, Breath of God

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Breathe on Me, Breath of God'. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 3/4. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line of each system.

1 Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life a - new
2 Breathe on me, Breath of God, un - til my heart is pure,
3 Breathe on me, Breath of God, stir in me one de - sire:
4 Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I nev - er die,

That I may love the way you love and do what you would do.
Un - til with you I will one will, to do and to en - dure.
That ev - ery earth - ly part of me may glow with ho - ly fire.
But live with you the per - fect life of your e - ter - ni - ty.

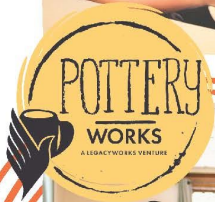
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Volunteers are needed to prepare and serve meals at HumanKind Ministries Shelter "The Inn" located at 320 E. Central on March 8, 2022.

Sign up on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall or email krobu@plymouth-church.net

Prepare meals at the church 2-5 pm
Serve meals 5:30 - 7:30 pm at The Inn



Daylight Savings Begins Sunday March 13th

2022 Walter Vernon Lenten Series

In an effort to raise awareness and destigmatize the topic many of our speakers for this year's Lenten Series will be addressing issues of mental health. We hope you will consider joining us for these important talks.

March 9- Interim Police Chief Lemuel Moore

March 16- Stephanie Anderson, School Counselor Coordinator and Private/Parochial Liaison for Wichita Public Schools and Holly Yager, Ph.D. School Psychologist at USD 259

March 23- Jill Hoopes, LSCSW-LCAC-CCTP Director of Student Wellness Bethel College

March 30- Eric Litwiller, Director Mental Health Association of South Central Kansas

April 6- Adrian Carson, Sedgwick County Outreach Program Coordinator

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March 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
6 9am Adult Sunday School (Chapel) 10:30am Sunday Worship, (Sanctuary) 6 pm Compline	7 2 pm Prairie Wind Folk Dancers	8 HumanKind Ministries Shelter Prepare meals 2-5p Serve meals 5:30-7:30p	9 2pm Plymouth Projects (Chapel) 5:30pm Lenten Series Wednesday Night Dinner 7pm Choir Rehearsal	10	11	12
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20 9am Adult Sunday School (Chapel) Mission Possible Sunday 10:30am Sunday Worship, (Sanctuary)	21 2 pm Prairie Wind Folk Dancers	22 5:30p Trustee	23 2pm Plymouth Projects (Chapel) 5:30pm Lenen Series Wednesday Night Dinner 7pm Choir Rehearsal	24	25	26

**Please join us for worship next Sunday, March 13th
Rev. Robu will be Preaching.**

The Plymouth Covenant

Believing in Jesus Christ, the Interpreter of God to humankind, we accept His teachings as the guiding principles of our lives and consecrate ourselves and our church to their fulfillment. We therefore join in covenant, one with another, to worship, work, and serve together that we may express through our Church and our individual lives the love and faith taught by Jesus Christ.