



# Celebration of Worship April 3, 2022

### **Celebration of Worship**

April 3, 2022 10:30 am

#### Fifth Sunday of Lent

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

**Opening Voluntary** 

Prière à Notre-Dame Christopher Shaw, organ Léon Boëllmann

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

\* Opening Hymn

Praise with Joy the World's Creator

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\* Call to Worship/Responsive Sentence

From Psalm 130

One: Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.

All: Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!

One: I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in your word I hope;

All: O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem.

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



#### \* Invocation and Lord's Prayer

Eternal God, as we hear your story from the ancients, compel us to value the stories of our contemporaries, just as Jesus honored the stories of people in his day. Here us now as we 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**

Selected Verses from John 11

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." After having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again."

When Jesus saw Mary weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus wept. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone and he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

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



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#### A Moment with Our Children

Dr. Robu

Solo

*I Choose Love*Diane Fast and Gunnar Marcum

Mark Miller

In the midst of pain, I choose love.
In the midst of pain, sorrow falling down like rain,
I await the sun again, I choose love.

In the midst of war, I choose peace.
In the midst of war, hate and anger keeping score, I will seek the good once more, I choose peace.

When my world falls down, I will rise.
When my world falls down, explanations can't be found,
I will climb to holy ground, I will rise.

In the midst of pain, I choose love.
In the midst of pain, sorrow falling down like rain, I await the sun again, I choose love.

**Prayer Concerns** 

**Pastoral Prayer** 

Organ Response

**Invitation to Offering** 

I Need thee ev'ry hour, most gracious Lord.
No tender voice like thine can peace afford.
I Need thee, O I need thee, ev'ry hour I need thee,
O bless me now, my Savior, I come to thee.

My love is weak, my heard imperfect, so I have great need of you.

I need your strenth'ning, and your comfort, your instruction, and your freedom.

Let your love dissolve my hard heart, let your love lift me up. Let your love reveal to me joy beyond imagination, let my soul exhaust itself in singing praises of your love.

My love is weak, my heart imperfect, so I have great need of you. I need your healing, spirit cleansing, plunge me deeply in your love.

Let your love dissolve my hard heart,
let your love lift me up.
Let your love reveal to me joy beyond imagination,
Let my soul exhaust itself in singing praises of your name.

Sermon

"Overwhelming Sadness"

Dr. Olsen

\* **Hymn of Departure** There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

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\* Benediction

**Closing Voluntary** 

Herzlich lieb hab ich dich, o Herr (From my heart I hold you dear, o Lord) Christopher Shaw, organ

Johann Krebs

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

#### **Cover Attribution**

#### 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.

April 6- Adrian Carson, Sedgwick County Outreach Program Coordinator

#### Plymouth Staff

Rev. Dr. Donald P. Olsen, Senior Minister Rev. Dr. Karen Robu, Associate Minister Dr. Henry Waters, Director of Music Christopher Shaw, Organist KD Keim, Financial Secretary/Administrative Assistant Lindsay Miller, Sunday School Teacher Tim Robu, Maintenance Engineer Erik Breckenridge, Video Tech John Palmer, Video Tech Assistant Bill Berry & Ramikia Stevenson, Custodians



Cookie Bakers Needed Sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall



Easter Candy Donations Needed Plastic eggs not needed.



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#### **Easter Lilies**

We are selling lilies which will be used to adorn the sanctuary on Easter Sunday, April 17th. If you would like to contribute to the beatification of our Sanctuary, please purchase a lily for \$17. Remember to note who you are celebrating or memorializing, the names will be listed in the worship bulletin. The deadline for ordering is Wednesday, April 13th. Please call the church office for information, 684-0221 or email us at office@plymouth-church.net

#### Praise with Joy the World's Creator



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#### There's a Wideness in God's Mercy



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#### **Plymouth Display Case Art Gallery**



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#### **Plymouth Hallway Art Gallery**

The art of Stephen Perry, a fourth generation Wichitan, will be on display in our hall-way for the next several weeks. Stephen has shown with us before and is always popular with Plymouth members and friends. A graduate of North High School and Kansas State University, Steve's career began in landscape architecture with an early interest in pen and ink sketches. After his retirement from his firm McCluggage Van Sickle and Perry, he began fine art printmaking in his Riverside home. In his Backroads Press studio he is currently working with photo-polymer plates in relief prints highlighted with watercolor. In 2011 he published his second book, "Wander the Kansas Flint Hills in Words and Images", which features 12 original prints and writings about his favorite part of Kansas. He continues to exhibit at art fairs and galleries throughout the region.

April 2022						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 9am Adult Sunday School (Chapel) 10:30am Sunday Worship, (Sanctuary) 6pm Compline (Sanctuary)	4 Church Office Closed 2 pm Prairie Wind Folk Dancers	5 5:30pm Cabinet	6 2pm Plymouth Projects (Chapel) 5:30pm Lenten Series Wednes- day Night Din- ner  7pm Choir Re- hearsal	7	8	9 7pm Carrie Newcomer
10 Palm Sunday 10:30am Sunday Worship, (Sanctuary) 11:30am Easter Egg coloring	11 2 pm Prairie Wind Folk Dancers	12	2pm Plymouth Projects (Chapel) 7pm Choir Rehearsal	14 5:30pm Seder Dinner	15 7pm Good Friday Service (Sanctuary)	16
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## Please join us for worship next Sunday, April 10th Dr. 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.