

Wesley United Methodist Church

10:00 AM Sunday Worship

March 27, 2022

Fourth Sunday in Lent

At Wesley we foster a sanctuary culture by creating a safe environment where all feel welcomed, loved, accepted, valued, and affirmed for who they are, through intentional practices such as empathy, compassion, generosity, hospitality, and inclusion.

For the safety of every worshipper, please observe the following guidelines regardless of your vaccine status.

- **Wear a mask covering your mouth and nose all the time during worship.**
- **Keep social distancing in your sanctuary seating.**
- **Remain seated as we sing the opening hymn and praise songs.**
- **Please let an usher know if you have questions, need assistance, or have a concern about health or safety.**

Prelude	Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring, BWV 147	J.S. Bach 1685-1750
	Agnus Dei from L'arlésienne Suite No.2, No.6	Georges Bizet 1838-1875
	<i>Luke Hodson, French horn</i>	

Greeting & Announcement

*Call to Worship Allison Hansen, Liturgist

One: Blessed are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

Many: Blessed are those to whom God imputes no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

One: I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity;

Many: I said, "I will confess my transgression to God," and you forgave the guilt of my sin.

One: Let all who are faithful offer prayers to you;

Many: Steadfast love surrounds those who trust in God.

All: Be glad in God and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart.

Hymn I Want Jesus to Walk with Me UMH 521

I want Jesus to walk with me. I want Jesus to walk with me.
All along my pilgrim journey, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

In my trials, Lord, walk with me. In my trials, Lord, walk with me.
When my heart is almost breaking, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

When I'm troubled, Lord, walk with me. When I'm troubled, Lord, walk with me.
When my head is bowed in sorrow, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

* Please Stand in Body or in Spirit

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Most merciful God, you know the thoughts of our hearts. We confess that we have sinned against you and done evil in your sight. We have transgressed your holy laws. We have disregarded your Word and Sacraments. Forgive us, O Lord. Give us grace and power to put away all hurtful things, that being delivered from the bondage of sin, we may bring forth fruit of repentance, and from henceforth may ever walk in your holy ways; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Praise Songs

Desmond Cheetham, Keyboard

Ayeyi Wura (You Own Our Praise)

[Feel free to sing in either language]

A-ye-yi Wurae' ----A-ye-yi Wurae'
Ye yi W'ayε Na yε Ma Wo so!

English:

*You own our praise! You own our praise!
We praise you, Lord, and we lift you high!*

I will lift up your name higher

I will lift up your name higher...
Great Jehovah you are wonderful
I will lift up your name higher...

Children's Conversation

Dr. Connie Drexler

Musical Selection

The Holy City

Nathan Neidigh, trombone soloist
Stephen Adams 1841-1913

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 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, forever. Amen.

*Gospel Reading

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Musical Selection

Adagio in G minor

Isaac Brito, violin soloist
Tomaso Albinoni 1671-1751
arr. Remo Giazotto 1910-1998

Message

Rev. Byungmoo Lee

* Please Stand in Body or in Spirit

Living for Jesus a life that is true, striving to please him in all that I do,
yielding allegiance, glad-hearted and free, this is the pathway of blessing for me.

[Refrain]

O Jesus, Lord and Savior, I give myself to thee;
for thou, in thy atonement, didst give thyself for me;
I own no other master, my heart shall be thy throne,
my life I give, henceforth to live, O Christ, for thee alone.

Living for Jesus who died in my place, bearing on Calvary my sin and disgrace,
such love constrains me to answer his call, follow his leading and give him my all.

[Refrain]

Living for Jesus wherever I am, doing each duty in his holy name,
willing to suffer affliction or loss, deeming each trial a part of my cross.

[Refrain]

Living for Jesus through earth's little while, my dearest treasure, the light of his smile,
seeking the lost ones he died to redeem, bringing the weary to find rest in him.

[Refrain]

*Shalom

Mensah Essilfie

God's peace be unto you,
We wish you Shalom!
The peace of God which transcends all
understanding be with you forevermore.

*Benediction

Ukrainian National Anthem

Standing in solidarity with a country besieged by an unwanted aggressor.

Ще не вмерла України, ні слава, ні воля,
Ще нам, браття молодії, усміхнеться доля!
Згинуть наші воріженьки, як роса на сонці,
Запануєм і ми, браття, у своїй сторонці!
Душу й тіло ми положим за нашу свободу
І — покажем, що ми, браття, козацького роду!
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Postlude

Choral Prelude on *Rhosymedre*
(1920)

Ralph Vaughan Williams
1872-1958

On your way out you may leave your tithe/offering and attendance slip in the offering plate at the back of the sanctuary. You can also mail your offering to the church or give online via church website (wesleyworc.org).

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Youth Ensemble of New England

Dr. Connie Drexler, director

Violin: Isaac Brito (concert master), Abby Dick, Khianna Levesque, Sarah Gifford, Anya Neidigh, Matheus Valente, Audrey Patterson, Amalia Hough, Marcia Desilets

Viola: Donna Dik

Cello: Isabella Brito, MerriLynn Braman

Double Bass: Joshua Gifford

Flute: Cecily Rochman

French Horn: Luke Hodson

Trombone: Nathan Neidigh

Piano: Kate Hudson

Call to Worship – Psalm 32 ALT. *The New Testament and Psalms: An Inclusive Version*, Oxford Univ. Press
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