

**First Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)**

Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 19, 2023

The Community Gathers Before God

Greeting & Announcements

Rev. Caryn Yoast

Prelude

Partita II - Sinfonia
J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

Carol Wilson, harpsichord

Lighting of the Candles

*Call to Worship

Gaylord Hatler

GOD OFFERS ALL OF US THE BOUNTY OF GOD'S LOVE.

How we have thirsted for hope and peace!

HOW WE HAVE LONGED FOR JOY AND LOVE!

God continually blesses and heals us.

PRAISE BE TO GOD FOR GOD'S STEADFAST LOVE ENDURES FOREVER.

And let us give thanks to our God.

WE ARE NOT ALONE. THANKS BE TO GOD.

*Opening Hymn

For the Beauty of the Earth

#56

*Prayer of Invocation

Gaylord Hatler

*Passing of the Peace

Children's Moment

Rev. Caryn Yoast

Prayers of the People

Rev. Caryn Yoast

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer (using "debts")

The Community Hears and Proclaims God's Word

First Lesson

Psalm 63

Gaylord Hatler

Anthem

Brother James Air (Ps.23)
Gordon Jacob

Chancel Choir
Jolyne Antista

Scripture Lesson

Luke 13:1-9

p.76 NT

Sermon

Rev. Caryn Yoast

The Community Shares in Christ's Life

Communion Hymn

Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether

#392

Invitation to Communion

Rev. Caryn Yoast

Words of Institution

Elder Prayer of Thanksgiving

Karlene Baxter

Communion Music

Partita I - Sarabande
J. S. Bach

Carol Wilson

Partaking of the Bread and Cup

The table of the Lord is open to any and all who would come. The Lord is host; he invites and welcomes everyone to share in his supper. Please partake of the bread and cup as you receive it.

Invitation to Offering

Gaylord Hatler

Offertory Music *Prelude in C Major from "Well-Tempered Clavier"*

Carol Wilson

J. S. Bach

*Doxology

#47

*Prayer of Dedication

Rev. Caryn Yoast

The Community Departs for Ministry

*Silent Prayer for the World

*Closing Hymn

'Tis the Gift to Be Simple

#568 (2x)

*Carrying the Light to the World

Postlude

Partita II - Rondeau
J.S. Bach

Carol Wilson

*Benediction

Rev. Caryn Yoast

*Those who are able, please stand.

Life of Our Church

- **TODAY – ALL Church Potluck 11:30am (recurring every month ☺)**
- TODAY – Online Bible Class no mtg tonight; will be on break until 4/16; then we will meet again thru Memorial day; followed by break for summer
- March 20 – Elders Meeting 6:00 pm
- March 21 – Admin. Committee Meeting 5:30pm
- March 23 - Thursday Lenten Soup Supper 5:30pm
- March 27 – Ministry Board Meeting 6:00pm
- March 30 – Thursday Lenten Soup Supper 5:30pm
- April 1 – Rebekah's 1:00pm
- April 2 – Palm Sunday
- April 6 – Maundy Thursday service 6:30pm
- April 7 – Good Friday (church offices closed) no services
- April 9 – Easter Sunday

Please ensure all upcoming meetings are on (or removed from) the master church calendar by contacting the church office. ~ Thank you

FCC Lenten Sacrifice 2023
before speaking to others ask these 3 questions:
Is it kind? Is it true? Is it necessary?
...to seek God always, in all ways.

*Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you,
O LORD, my rock and my redeemer. Psalm 19:14*

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