



“Blessed are the weird people: poets, misfits, writers, mystics, painters, troubadours, for they teach us to see the world through different eyes.”
 –Jacob Nordley

Prelude *Rock of Ages*/arr. Craig Curry

Lighting of the Candles and Ringing of the Bell

Welcome

Centering Song *Just Breathe*

Just Breathe, just breathe,
 each breath is wordless prayer.
 Just breathe, just breathe,
 God’s good is in the air.
 (repeat after verse)

Call to Community

We come, God of the Journey, a people from different places and histories.

We come hoping to find companionship for the journey.

We gather, God of Hospitality, around your table of welcome.

We gather to celebrate our unity and diversity.

We seek, God of the Rainbow, faithful ways of living and loving.

We seek to establish relationships grounded in respect and mutuality.

***Hymn** *There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy*/New Century #23

Opening Prayer

Creator and Creative God, the sun rises in the morning, bringing forth the many-colored hues of light illuminating the day. At night, the moon rises to illuminate the sky. The stars shine, giving light where there is none. Regardless of the time of day or night, God sends light to the world. Each of us is called to bear the light in that way, no matter the time of day or the situation we find ourselves in. As we worship, we follow the footsteps of the One who was the light of the world, Jesus the Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Grace and Peace

One: Peace be with you.

All: And also with you.

**March 30, 2025
 Fourth Sunday in Lent**

We’re so glad you’ve joined us today. Please feel free to ask any questions and participate or not in any parts of the worship service as you desire.

Asterisk () means stand if you wish and are comfortable doing so.*

Congregational voice parts look like this.

Photo, left, by Dan Plasman

Service Volunteers

Usher: **Tom Fahlstrom**
 Greeters: **Kathleen Mueller, Peter Mueller**
 Offertory and Communion: **Jodi Berault, Chris Maitner, Jennifer Schwarb**
 Acolyte: **Larry Fuerst**
 Reader: **Tere Krueger**
 Sound: **David Bohn**
 Video: **Lewis Corbin**

On Campus This Week

Tuesday, Caregivers and Grief Support, 11am, Retreat House

Wednesday, True North Women’s Group, 11am, Retreat House

Thursday, Listening Ear, 1-3pm, Retreat House

Quiet Contemplation Service, 5pm, Sanctuary

Lenten Soup Supper, 6-7:30pm, Retreat House

Friday, AA Meeting, 7:30pm, IGC

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This Week We Celebrate...

Birthdays

March 30: Ann Hopkins, Rachael Overweg
 March 31: Pamela Chappell
 April 1: Nancy Plantinga

Anniversaries

April 4: Bill Klatt & Jim McHugh

One: Let us offer one another a sign of Peace.

***Passing the Peace** *Spirit of Life*

Spirit of life come unto me.
Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion.
Blow in the wind, rise in the sea,
move in the hand, giving life the shape of justice.
Roots hold me close – wings set me free.
Spirit of life come to me, come to me.

Ancient Reading Luke 13:10-17

Presented by Rev. Tere Krueger

Contemporary Reading “*The Problem with Miracles*”
Barbara Brown Taylor

Reflection *Be the Miracle!* Rev. Dan Plasman

Offering and Offertory *We Come to You for Healing, Lord*
Thomas Keesecker

Joys and Concerns • Tibetan Prayer Bell

One: Thanks be to God! **Many: Alleluia!**
One: O God, **Many: Hear our prayer.**

***Doxology** *It Is Right*

It is right, it is good that we give God thanks,
that we give God thanks.
It is right, it is good that we give God thanks,
that we give God thanks.

Celebration of Holy Communion

One: May the God of the Table be with you.

Many: And also with you.

One: We seek the Holy with all our hearts.

Many: May love fill us with life.

One: We give thanks for God is with us.

Many: We are grateful to the One whose love is constant.

Breaking Bread *All Belong Here*

Come and remember who you are here.
Do this to remember who I am.
Come and remember you belong here.
All belong here. (repeat after bridge)

***Sharing of the Bread and Cup** (gf option, non-alcoholic juice)

Sending Prayer St. Francis of Assisi

God, make me an instrument of your peace; where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, joy. O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood, as to understand; to be loved, as to love; for it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to Eternal Life. Amen.

***Hymn** *That Woman in the Crowd*/Handout

***Benediction**

Postlude *God's Eye Is on the Sparrow*/arr. Jack Schrader

**Weekly Financial
Stewardship Report
for March 23, 2024**

Attendance: 67

Viewers: 113

Collection Plate/Mail
\$4,520

Online Giving
\$2,837.98

Total
\$7,357.98



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Prayer List

Chris Warner (Friend of Pete Wehle); Ken Rans (friend of Pete Wehle); Rich Marth; Christine Kerney; Nancy Plantinga and her family; Family of Jim Solazzo (Anne Hotwagner's uncle); Virginia Stuart; Carrie Andrews, Julie and Jack Ridl and the family of Paul Frederickson; Dan McGavin and Family of Carol Brown; Rev. Marchiene Rienstra Family; Ann and Jim Hopkins; James Higgins (Friend of Shane Anderson and Michael Tuleja), Joe Scarpone (Friend of Tom Fahlstrom); Fred Hamlin; John Kerr; Ruth Fahlstrom (daughter of Tom Fahlstrom); Mary Westenbroek; Jerry Elpers and family (Beth Howley's Dad); Max Matteson; Eric Cooley (Jo Cooley's brother)



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There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

Verse

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'There's a Wideness in God's Mercy'. It consists of seven staves of music, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The score begins with a 'Verse' label. The lyrics are: 'There's a wide - ness in God's mer - cy, For the love of God is broad - er like the wide - ness of the sea. than the mea - sures of the mind. There's a kind - ness in the God's jus - tice, And the heart of the E - - ter - nal which is most more - than - - lib - - er - - ty. is most won - der - - ful - - ly kind. There is no love place where earth's sor - rows If our love were but more faith - ful, are we more would felt glad - than ly up trust in God's heaven. Word, There and is our no lives place re - where flect earth's fail - ings thanks - giv - ing have for such the kind - ly ness judg - ment our given. Lord.'

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Lord.

That Woman In the Crowd

Closing Song

Carolyn Winfrey Gillette

LEONI Traditional Hebrew Melody



1. That wo - man in the crowd, she
2. A lead - er said "You're wrong!" for
3. Christ said, "What mat - ters most? What
4. What bar - riers do we build to



could not stand up tall; Her back was bent, her
sin is what he saw, he could not un - der -
rules will you o - bey? You care for ox and
God's a - bun - dant grace? Do we want church to



head was bowed and Je - sus saw! That sab - bath day of
stand this One who broke the law. The sab - bath rules were
don - key on the sab - bath day!" For Je - sus knew the
be a per - fect, law-filled place? Or will we dare to



rest He saw her mis - er - y; He
strict and work was not al - lowed, not
truth, that peo - ple mat - ter more, and
love, to see what Je - sus saw, that



told her, "Wo - man from your ail - ment you are free!"
e - ven when it healed a wo - man bent and bowed.
God loves things that heal, en - cour - age and re - store.
God's great wel - come mat - ters more than rule and law.