

LENTEN VESPERS ORDER OF WORSHIP

7 P.M., Wednesday, March 18, 2020

PRELUDE

Todd Fickley, piano

WELCOME

Dr. David Renwick

CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Joyce Emery

LENTEN CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

Have mercy upon us, O Lord, that before you in love and faith, in righteousness and humility,
we may follow you with self-denial, steadfastness, and courage.

Forgive and cleanse us as we come before you.

Give us a pure heart that we may see you, a humble heart that we may hear you,
a heart of love that we may serve you, a heart of faith that we may love you.

Dag Hammarskjöld, 1905-1961

SILENT CONFESSION AND MUSIC MEDITATION *please join in singing*

Our faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine:

Olivet

Now hear us while we pray, take all our guilt away,

O let us from this day be wholly thine!

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Believe the good news of the Gospel. **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.**

SCRIPTURE

Luke 18:18-30

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

MEDITATION

True Wealth

Dr. David Renwick

MUSIC RESPONSE *(please join in singing)*

Lafferty

Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness,

And all these things shall be added unto you. *Allelu, Alleluia!*

Ask and it shall be given unto you, seek and ye shall find,

Knock and the door shall be opened unto you. *Allelu, Alleluia!*

PASTORAL PRAYER AND BENEDICTION

Dr. Joyce Emery

POSTLUDE

Luke 18:18-30

¹⁸A certain ruler asked Jesus, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

¹⁹Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. ²⁰You know the commandments: 'You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; Honor your father and mother.'"

²¹He replied, "I have kept all these since my youth."

²²When Jesus heard this, he said to him, "There is still one thing lacking. Sell all that you own and distribute the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me."

²³But when he heard this, he became sad; for he was very rich.

²⁴Jesus looked at him and said, "How hard it is for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵Indeed, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God."

²⁶Those who heard it said, "Then who can be saved?"

²⁷He replied, "What is impossible for mortals is possible for God."

²⁸Then Peter said, "Look, we have left our homes and followed you."

²⁹And he said to them, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or wife or brothers or parents or children, for the sake of the kingdom of God, ³⁰who will not get back very much more in this age, and in the age to come eternal life."

LENTEN WORSHIP

Wednesday Evenings

ONLINE Worship, 7:00 p.m.

"Tough Faith for a Tough World"

March 25 "True Sight"
April 1 "Making the Most of the Moment"

Sunday Mornings

ONLINE Worship, 11:00 a.m.

March 22 "Living With(out) Regret"
March 29 "Who Killed Jesus?"
April 5 "Blind to Joy?"

Holy Week

Palm Sunday April 5
ONLINE Worship, 11:00 a.m.
Good Friday April 10
ONLINE Worship, 7:30 p.m.
Easter Sunday April 12
ONLINE Worship, 11:00 a.m.