WARREN FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH March 21, 2021

ORGAN PRELUDE

"The Will of God"

arr. Culli

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

"Sortie in F Minor"

arr. Tourjee Wold

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

HYMN (Remain Seated "When I Survey"

Rockingham

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of Glory died, my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ, my God; all the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down. Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were an offering far too small; love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Two Meditations on the Cross"

Barbara Kinyon

(11:-00 AM Only)

CONCERNS AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

THE LORD'S PRAYER (using sins)

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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.

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"O Sacred Head Now Wounded"

arr. Gary Lanier

(11:00 AM Only)

SPECIAL MUSIC

SCRIPTURE "John 12:1-11"

MESSAGE "Measuring Love"

Rev. Dr. Mark E. Hecht

HYMN (Remain Seated)

"O Jesus, I Have Promised"

Angel's Story

O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end; be thou forever near me, my Master and my friend. I shall not fear the battle if thou art by my side, nor wander from the pathway if thou wilt be my guide.

O let me feel thee near me! The world is ever near; I see the sights that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear; my foes are ever near me, around me and within; but Jesus, draw thou nearer, and shield my soul from sin.

O let me hear thee speaking in accents clear and still, above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self will. O speak to reassure me, to hasten or control; O speak, and make me listen, thou guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, thou hast promised to all who follow thee that where thou art in glory there shall thy servant be. And Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end; O give me grace to follow, my Master and my Friend.

BENEDICTION

BEARING OF THE LIGHT

(11:00 AM only)

POSTLUDE

"O for a Heart to Praise My God"

arr. Haweis

MUSIC TODAY is provided by organist Michele Sandberg, cellist Chad Betts, and Peals of Praise Handbells. The 8:00 AM pianist is Cathy Peterson.

ACOLYTE today is Holden Demers.

GREETERS are Heidi Ketzko 8:00 AM

Linda Anderson 11:00 AM

USHER 11:00 AM-Team 3

ALTAR FLOWERS are in loving memory of Chester Devereaux, given by Cheri Devereaux.

PEDESTAL FLOWERS are in loving memory of Ralph Ord, given by his wife, Lynn Ord.

PEDESTAL FLOWERS are in loving memory of James Sherrife, given by Barbara Young.

CARILLONNEUR is Judd Demers.

PRAYER CONCERNS can be found in our weekly email Newsletter.

Offering plates **WILL NOT** be passed during worship but instead will be available at the door.

In an effort to begin to return to "normal," beginning Sunday, March 28th (Palm Sunday)

We will be implementing some changes to our Sunday worship time.

Please understand that these are simply our first steps towards a return to a more traditional in-person worship service.

We fully anticipate additional changes in the months ahead.

Changes to our current worship are as follows:

- ~ We will begin to have the church's front doors open for entry into the building at all worship times.
- ~ While hymns will continue to be printed in the bulletin, if you desire, you are invited to pick up a hymnal on the way into worship. After worship, you are asked to leave that hymnal on the pew, and it will be sanitized and returned for use the following week.
- ~ We will be including more spoken responses in our service, including calls to worship, psalter lessons, and creeds. (for the time being, we will still refrain from sung responses.)
- ~We hope to include a weekly liturgist on most Sundays

Attendees are still encouraged to maintain appropriate social distance and wear masks during worship.

Aspects of our traditional worship that necessitate close contact will still be limited at the present.

This includes, but is not limited to, the following:

Passing of the offering plates

Children's Messages

Standing for Hymns

Greeting following worship

Communion by Intinction

Full choir

Please know we fully expect to reintroduce all of the above at the appropriate and acceptable time.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF March 21, 2021 – March 27, 2021

SUNDAY Fifth Sunday in Lent

8:00 AM Service of Word and Sacrament; Chapel

9:30 AM Sunday School for ALL ages 11:00 AM Worship Service; Sanctuary

6:00 PM Combined UMYF; Founder's Hall

MONDAY 8:30 - 12:00 PM Office

6:30 PM Church Council Meeting; Covert Room 7:00 PM Boy Scouts; Basement—Scout Room

TUESDAY 8:25 AM-11:15 AM Creative Preschool, 3/4 year old class

8:30 AM- 4:00 PM Office Hours

8:45 AM -11:30 AM Creative Preschool, Pre-K

1:00 PM Staff Meeting; Covert Room

2:00 PM Human Trafficking ZOOM Presentation

5:30 PM Soup and Study – Book of Romans; Covert Room

6:30 PM Epworth Handbells

WEDNESDAY 8:25 AM-11:15 AM Creative Preschool, 3/4 year old class

8:30 AM- 4:00 PM Office Hours 8:45 AM Creative Preschool Pre-K 8:45 AM Covenant Disciple Group

9:00 AM-3:00 PM & 5:00 PM-6:00 PM Broom Pickup; Garage

3:30 PM - 6:30 PM LOGOS 3:30 PM Girls Ensemble 3:50 PM Boys Ensemble

5:45 PM Madrigal Rehearsal

7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY 8:25 - 11:15 AM Creative Preschool, 3/4 year old class

8:30 - 12:00 Office Hours

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5:30 PM Covenant Discipleship Group; Covert Room

FRIDAY 8:30 - 12:00 PM Office Hours

9:00 AM-11:00 AM Broom Pickup; Garage