

STORM LAKE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT
MARCH 17, 2024
COLOR: PURPLE

PRELUDE

"Jesus, Priceless Treasure"
"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

Deanna Larson, organist
M. Walther
D. Bish
Rev. Kiboko I. Kiboko

WELCOME
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand and join in singing...

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" UMH # 298**

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

-Verse 2-

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

-Verse 3-

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

-Verse 4-

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

Please join in the Call to Worship and read responsively...

Katie Brostad

***CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

- L: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.
P: **Lord, have mercy on me.**
L: Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin.
P: **Lord, have mercy on me.**
L: For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.
P: **Lord, have mercy on me.**
L: Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgment.
P: **Lord, have mercy on me.**
L: **Indeed, I was born guilty, a sinner when my mother conceived me.**
P: **Lord, have mercy on me.**
L: Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
P: **Lord, have mercy on me.**

Please join in the ...

Katie Brostad

***THE INVOCATION PRAYER**

Lord Jesus, our Savior, let us come to you.
Our hearts are cold; Lord, warm them with your selfless love.
Our hearts are sinful; cleanse them with your precious blood.
Our hearts are weak; strengthen them with our joyous Spirit.
Our hearts are empty; fill them with your divine presence.
Lord Jesus, our hearts are yours; possess them always and only
for yourself.

***GLORIA PATRI**

"Glory Be to the Father"

UMH # 70

Glory be to the Father
And to the Son and to the Holy Ghost
As it was in the beginning
Is now and ever shall be
World without end
Amen Amen

Please be seated and hear these...

Katie Brostad

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

- L: Hear the good news:
Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love
toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
- P: **In the name of Jesus Christ, you are also forgiven!**
- ALL: **Glory to God! Amen!**

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

"Because He Lives"

UMH # 364

God sent His Son they called Him Jesus
He came to love heal and forgive
He lived and died to buy my pardon
An empty grave is there to prove
My Savior lives

-Chorus-

Because He lives I can face tomorrow
Because He lives all fear is gone
Because I know He holds the future
And life is worth the living
Just because He lives

-Verse 2-

How sweet to hold our newborn baby
And feel the pride and joy he gives
But greater still the calm assurance
This child can face uncertain days
Because he lives

(continued...)

-Chorus-
Because He lives I can face tomorrow
Because He lives all fear is gone
Because I know He holds the future
And life is worth the living
Just because He lives

-Verse 3-
And then one day I'll cross the river
I'll fight life's final war with pain
And then as death gives way to victory
I'll see the lights of glory
And I'll know He reigns

-Chorus-
Because He lives I can face tomorrow
Because He lives all fear is gone
Because I know He holds the future
And life is worth the living
Just because He lives

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FOR THE PEOPLE, AND BY THE PEOPLE

*Please observe a short moment of silence after each prayer, then the leader would conclude: Lord, in your mercy, and all may respond: **Hear our prayer.***

Together, let us pray:

L: for the people of this congregation...(moment of silence)

Lord, in your mercy. P: **Hear our prayer**

L: for those who suffer and those in trouble...(Moment of silence)

Lord, in your mercy. P: **Hear our prayer**

L: for the concerns of this local community...(Moment of silence)

Lord, in your mercy. P: **Hear our prayer**

L: for the world, its peoples, and its leaders...(Moment of silence)

Lord, in your mercy. P: **Hear our prayer**

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Cheryl Baughman

SPECIAL MUSIC

THE NOW SINGERS

Joan Rude, director
Deanna Larson, accompanist

"Healer of My Heart"

arr. by Kirkland

HYMN OF ILLUMINATION

"Thy Word is a Lamp"

UMH #601

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path
When I feel afraid
Think I've lost my way
Still you're there right beside me
And nothing will I fear
As long as you are near
Please be near me to the end

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Nora Brostad

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

GOSPEL READING

John 12:20-33

Nora Brostad

MEDITATION

"Whoever serves me"

Rev. Kiboko I. Kiboko

MOMENT OF TRANSFORMATION "Were You There"

UMH # 288

Were you there when they crucified my Lord
Were you there when they crucified my Lord
Oh sometimes it causes me to tremble tremble tremble
Were you there when they crucified my Lord

-Verse 2-

Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree
Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree
Oh sometimes it causes me to tremble tremble tremble
Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree

-Verse 3-

Were you there when they pierced him in the side
Were you there when they pierced him in the side
Oh sometimes it causes me to tremble tremble tremble
Were you there when they pierced him in the side

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Colton Lindgren

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.

INVITATION TO GIVING

OFFERING

THE NOW SINGERS

"If Ever I Loved Thee"

Joan Rude, director
Deanna Larson, accompanist
Benjamin Knedler

**Tithing & Offerings / online giving / VENMO: @StormLake-UMC
Offering plates will be passed.**

Please sign the attendance books at the end of each pew, and pass down the row.

*Presentation of Tithes & Offerings

Please stand and join in singing...

***DOXOLOGY**

No 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

***OFFERING PRAYER**

Katie Brostad

God of the ages, we share our tithes and offerings this day with, but we acknowledge that most of the time, we are clinging tightly to what we have, afraid we might lose something we need and afraid somehow there won't be enough to live our lives. The scarcity mindset overtakes us, and it robs us of the joy of our days. Remind us that Jesus has called us to be ready to let go of this life so that we might claim the abundance of life eternal. In our redeemer's name, we pray. Amen.

***CONGREGATIONAL HYMN**

"Shalom to You"

UMH # 666

Shalom to you now
Shalom my friends
May God's full mercies
bless you my friends
In all your living
And through your loving
Christ be your shalom
Christ be your shalom

***BENEDICTION**

***CLOSING PRAYER SONG**

A CLOSING PRAYER

The time has come, O Lord, for us to leave this place;
Guide us and protect us and lead us in thy grace.
Wherever life may take us as we go our separate ways,
Help us share with others the things we've shared today.
May the peace of God the Father, and the love of Christ,
His Son, Guide us in the days ahead and strengthen us, each one.
May the blessings of the spirit fill us from within;
God bless us and return us to this fellowship once again. Amen

POSTLUDE

"Fugue"

Deanna Larson, organist
D. Buxtehude

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, March 17th

ST. PATRICK'S DAY

5th SUNDAY IN LENT

8:30 am-Confirmation

9:00 am-Kids Sunday School

10:00 am-Worship w/NOW Singers

Monday, March 18th

10:00 am-XYZ Exercise class

4:00 pm-Food Distribution

7:00 pm-Trustees meeting

6:00 pm-Last Supper Drama practice

Tuesday, March 19th

9:30 am-Staff meeting

3:30 pm-Zone 1st-3rd graders

Wednesday, March 20th

3:30 pm-Zone 4-6

5:00 pm-Handbell practice

6:00pm-LENTEN SERVICE

6:00 pm-Youth 7th -8th

7:00 pm-Youth Meal

7:30 pm-Youth 9th-12th @FCA

Thursday, March 21st

7:00 pm-Ad Council meeting

Friday, March 22nd

5:00 pm-Confirmation Lock-In

Saturday, March 23rd

10:30 am-Charles Gustafson Funeral

4:00 pm-Lock-In ends

Sunday, March 24th

PALM SUNDAY

8:30 am-Confirmation

9:00 am-Kids Sunday School

10:00 am-Worship w/Kids Sing

4:00 pm-Last Supper Drama
Dress Rehearsal

MISSION & MINISTRY PLAN 2023:

To know Jesus Christ and
make him known.



Prayer Requests

Jenny (Brouwer) Allen	Sherise Ellis
Melva Bainbridge	Wayne Stark
Coleen Baughman	Kathy Wadsley
Lance Bellinghausen	Tyler Crandell
Donna Blom	Those battling
Virginia Carlson	depression.
Drew Havens	Aaron Johnson
John Nichols	Corey Petersen
Kim Piercy	Lori Hermsted
Deb Richardson	Barb Hadenfeldt
Karen Salmen	Judy (Polly's cousin)
Bev Schmidt	Caroline Kluver
David Walker	Frank Popp
Margaret Weber	Tias Hecht

Birthdays this week in March

Melanie Hauser	16th
Reagan DeHaan	17th
Jeff DeHaan	18th
Jeremy Hansen	18th
Erica Boeset	21st
Ali Svendsen	21st
Deanna Larson	22nd
Blair Vredenburg	23rd



LAST SUPPER DRAMA
"THE TRUTH WILL SET YOU FREE"
Dramatic Presentation by the
United Methodist Church
211 E. Third Street, Storm Lake, IA
Thursday, March 28, 2024
@ 7:30 pm

Everyone is welcome to attend.
This drama is a free gift to the commu-
nity.

Help send our kids to summer camp. Please consider donating to our scholarship program for camp.

