

3rd Sunday of Lent

Color: Purple (symbolizing Penitence)

The United Methodist Church of Chugiak

Pastor: Rev. Timothy McConville

Ministers: The Entire Congregation

10 am Worship Service

March 24, 2019

As you are seated, please remember to fill out the attendance pad and pass it along the pew.

* - Indicates those who are able may stand

Bold – Everyone speaks

UMH – United Methodist Hymnal (blue hardcover)

FWS – The Faith We Sing Hymnal (black paperback)

WAS – Worship and Song (green paperback)

Words of Welcome

Greeting

Prelude

Terri Schimmack

Announcements

Prayer of Safety

Lee Prophitt

As we light this lamp, we pray for the safety of all who are in harm's way this day and especially for all those in the midst of conflict.

Grant us peace, grant them peace, grant the world peace, in the name of Your Son. Amen.

***Call to Worship**

Leader: Come to the water, all you who thirst.

People: We come to drink deeply from the river of life.

Leader: Come to the water, all you who are weary.

People: We come to rest in the quiet pools of God's love.

Leader: Come to the water, all you who long for a justice.

People: We come to be renewed in God's ever-flowing stream.

All: For God is here among us, washing away the dust and grime of our lives, and pouring out the Spirit on all who thirst. Let us worship God together.

***Opening Praise**

UMH #127

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

Call to Prayer

Unison Prayer of Invocation

How we underestimate your compassion, Jesus. We are too easily convinced that you frown more than you smile, that our weakness and ignorance, our mistakes and sins, guarantee nothing but judgment from you. Yet, time and again, you show us that this picture is unworthy of you. After all, you said it — you didn't come to judge but to save! And so, we thank you and celebrate you. Your compassion is limitless, and your love is unfailing. Your welcome is gracious and extravagant and all-inclusive. Your embrace is healing and transforming, and your commitment to us is costly and eternal. Perhaps we will never really understand how you can be so totally for us, but perhaps, as we learn to trust, and to lean into your love, we will find the peace and wholeness that you desire for us. And so we come, we worship and we open ourselves to your surprising compassion again. Amen.

Silent Prayer

Words of Assurance

Response and Call to Prayer

FWS #2068

"I Love You, Lord"

Prayers of the People

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Brief prayers may be shared by people in the congregation.

If it is a prayer request, the Pastor will end the prayer by saying, "God, to your love..."

If it is a praise, the Pastor will say, "God, in thanksgiving..."

Then the people shall respond each time by saying:

"...we trust this prayer."

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Anthem

"God Breathe"

Choir

Especially for Children

FWS #2233

This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshipping throng. Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song: This is where children belong.

Offering our Gifts

(All loose change goes to Anchorage Gospel Mission)

To our first time visitors: As the offering plate is passed, please understand that your presence is the only gift we ask. If you would join us again next Sunday, that would be appreciated even more!

***Doxology**

UMH #94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, 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!

***Prayer of Dedication**

Reading from the Word

Listen for the Word of God.

Our hearts and minds are open.

Isaiah 55:1-9

Psalm 63:1-8 (UMH 788)

1 Corinthians 10:1-13

*Luke 13:1-9

Thanksgiving for the Word

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God

The Message

Rev. Tim McConville

***Hymn of Discipleship**

FWS #2196

"We Walk by Faith"

***Taking Christ's Light into the World**

Extinguishing the altar candles

***Benediction**

***Benediction Response** (*words on the overhead beams*)

***Passing the Peace**

May the Peace of God go with you.

And also with you.

Scriptures for next Sunday, March 31st

Joshua 5:9-12

Psalm 32 (UMH 766)

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32