

STOCKHOLM LUTHERAN CHURCH

Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 18, 2018

GATHERING

Page and hymn numbers refer to the red hymnal ("Worship")

GATHERING MUSIC

Carol Barnaal

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: God of heaven and earth, you come in close and make us yours. Equip us by your Spirit to confess our sin, embrace your forgiveness, and seek the way you set before us in your Son, Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

P: With honesty of heart, let us confess our sin.

(SILENCE)

P: Merciful God,

C: Forgive us. Our will is handcuffed to sin, and we cannot break free. (SILENCE)

****We have spoken when we should have kept quiet. (SILENCE)**

****We were silent when we should have said something. (SILENCE)**

****We acted when we knew better. (SILENCE)**

****We were still when we know we should have done something. (SILENCE)**

****For the wrong we have done, for the good we have failed to do, have mercy on us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

P: People of God, look to the Son of God, given to heal you and set you free because God loved the world so much. Take hold of life – eternal life!

C: Amen.

GATHERING SONG

"Christ the Life"

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GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER P: Let us pray...

C: O God, with steadfast love you draw us to yourself, and in mercy you receive our prayers. Strengthen us to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit, that through life and death we may live in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD OF GOD

FIRST BIBLE READING

Jeremiah 31:31-34

PSALM READING

Psalms 119:9-16

(The Psalms begin on page 339 in the red hymnal)

SECOND BIBLE READING

Hebrews 5:5-10

GOSPEL VERSE

"Return to the Lord"

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THE GOOD NEWS OF JESUS

John 12:20-33

CHILDREN'S TIME

SERMON

Rev. Mark Little

RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

SONG

"Will You Let" (v.1-3)

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APOSTLES' CREED

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OFFERING -- WE OFFER OUR LIVES TO GOD

OFFERING SONG

"Create In Me"

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PRAYER SONG

"Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am"

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Take, oh, take me as I am; summon out what I shall be; set your seal upon my heart and live in me.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

(P: Lord, in your mercy; **C: Hear our prayer.**)

LORD'S PRAYER

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BLESSING

P: The hand of God protect you, the holy angels go with you and the blessing of Almighty God be with you, now and forever.

C: Amen.

THREE-FOLD AMEN

SENDING SONG

"Restore in Us" (tune: # 427)

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SENDING MUSIC

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Welcome to all who gather here for Worship this morning! We give a special welcome to you if you are a guest with us today—Please worship with us again soon! If you are in search of a new church home, please contact Pastor Mark.

PRAYER CONCERNS – Karen Anderson, Mary Anderson, Bruce Carlson, Deloris Judes, Peggy Mahlstedt, Harold Mattson, Helen Mattson, Family / Friends of Doris (Holm) Rathman (Sister of Hazel Dahlman), Kerry Schmiesing, and those serving in the armed forces as we pray for peace.

GROW DEEPER IN YOUR LOVE FOR GOD Please continue to take time in the coming weeks to connect with your God a bit more, and perhaps rediscover some of the meaning, or deeper meaning, that may have slipped from your life and your relationship with God.

STOCKHOLM CHOIR Please join us for practice today at 4:00 pm, and next Sunday, March 25 at 11:30 am after worship! We'd love to have you join us for this enjoyable time of making good music!