

**A Service of Worship in the Season of Lent  
Old Dutch Church  
March 29, 2020**



"Raising of Lazarus" by Duccio di Buoninsegna, 1310-11

**Gathering Music**

**Welcome & God's Greeting**

**Song**

"Come and Fill Our Hearts" (sung 3 times)

D Bm D A

Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You a-lone, O Lord, are ho-ly.

Em C Em A D

Come and fill our hearts with your peace. Al-le-lu-ia!

The image shows two systems of musical notation for the song "Come and Fill Our Hearts". Each system consists of a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The first system has four measures with chords D, Bm, D, and A. The lyrics are "Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You a-lone, O Lord, are ho-ly." The second system has five measures with chords Em, C, Em, A, and D. The lyrics are "Come and fill our hearts with your peace. Al-le-lu-ia!".

**\*Call to Worship** (based on Psalm 103, responsive)

L: *Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.*

**P: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all God's benefits.**

*God knows how we are made; God remembers that we are dust.*

**In mercy, God forgives all our failings.**

*In compassion, God heals all our diseases.*

**We remember that we are dust, made alive by God's breath,  
spirited to love neighbors and creation.**

*In love, God walks with us always—through days of ease and days of struggle.*

**In Jesus, God is born as one of us, walks in our shoes, shares in our joy and our suffering.**

*In Jesus, we see God's wild love—wide open, leading us from isolation to community;  
drawing us from death to new life.*

**Bless the Lord, O my soul, and give thanks for God's stubborn, forever, life-renewing love!**

**Prayer of Confession** (together)

**Eternal God, faithful Shepherd, throughout all generations, you have watched over and provided for your people. From our bondage you free us. In our wilderness wanderings you give light to lead us, food to feed us, water to wash us, and your presence to calm our fears.**

**Yet, we are anxious about many things. We find it hard to put our full trust in you.**

**We struggle and strive to make our own way. Focused on our own needs,**

**we are often blind to the presence and needs of our neighbors. *Silence***

**In your mercy, forgive us. By your grace, help us to rest in your love and provision, so that we might be unbound, and grow into the new life you have already given us. We ask in the name of Jesus Christ, who gave *his* life to give new and eternal life to the whole world. Amen.**

**Sung Response**

"Shepherd Me O God" (sung 2 times in English)

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of two systems of music. The first system is the Refrain, in 4/4 time, with a key signature of three flats (B-flat major). The melody is on a treble clef staff, and the piano accompaniment is on a bass clef staff. The lyrics are: "Shep-herd me, O God, be-yond my wants, be-yond my fears, from". The second system is for stanzas 1, 2, 3, and 5, in 2/4 time, with the same key signature. The melody is on a treble clef staff, and the piano accompaniment is on a bass clef staff. The lyrics are: "death in - to life." The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, and dynamic markings.

Refrain Fm D<sup>b</sup> A<sup>b</sup> E<sup>b</sup> Cm D<sup>b</sup>

Shep-herd me, O God, be-yond my wants, be-yond my fears, from

To stanzas 1,2,3,5

B<sup>b</sup>m7 Cm7 Fm B<sup>b</sup>m/F Fm B<sup>b</sup>/F

death in - to life.

## Words of Assurance

*Brothers and sisters, hear the good news: Through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus, we are assured that there is no sin so terrible that God cannot forgive. There is no hurt so immense that God cannot heal. God loves you without conditions. God forgives without end. God frees you from the powers of sin and death. God frees you for life. **Thanks be to God!***

*Rest in God's amazing love for you and live in love.*

## God's Way for Us (from Ephesians 4:31-5:2)

*Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.*

## \*Sharing the Peace

*Jesus Christ is our peace; those who were divided, he has made one. Christ has broken down all the barriers of separation and has recreated all people to live as one new humanity. So live in peace with all people, repairing the separations, and declaring the grace of communion with God and one another. In joy, we share the peace we have received saying:*

*"The peace of Christ be with you: **And also with you.**"*

## Prayer for Illumination

**Scripture** John 11:1-46

**Sermon** "Stumbling in the Light"

## Prayer for Blessing on the Word

## Time of Silent Reflection

**Affirmation of Faith** "Heidelberg Catechism, Question & Answer #1"

*What is your only comfort in life and in death?*

**That I am not my own, but belong  
—body and soul, in life and in death—  
to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ.**

**Christ has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood,  
and has set me free from all the power of the devil.**

**He also watches over me in such a way  
that not a hair can fall from my head  
without the will of my Father in heaven;  
in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.**

**Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit  
assures me of eternal life  
and makes me wholeheartedly willing  
and ready from now on to live for him.**

## Offering Ourselves & Our Gifts

### Song

"Healer of Our Every Ill" (sung 2 times)

*Refrain*

The musical score is written for guitar and voice. It consists of two systems of music. The first system is the refrain, starting with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is on the treble staff, and the bass line is on the bass staff. The lyrics are: "Heal - er of our ev - ery ill, light of each to - mor - row,". The second system continues the melody and bass line, with lyrics: "give us peace be - yond our fear and hope be - yond our sor - row." The score ends with a double bar line and the word "Fine" above a fermata. The key signature changes to one sharp (F#) and the time signature changes to 2/4, then back to 4/4.

Chords: D G D Bm G A

Chords: F#m Bm Em F#7 G Em A D

*Fine*  
*Last time* ♪

### Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer (using debts & debtors)

### Benediction

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Leading worship this morning: Russel Oliver, piano; Lydia Newcombe, liturgist; Reverend Renée House, preaching; Dewi Pangaribuan & Richard Ruch, singing.

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