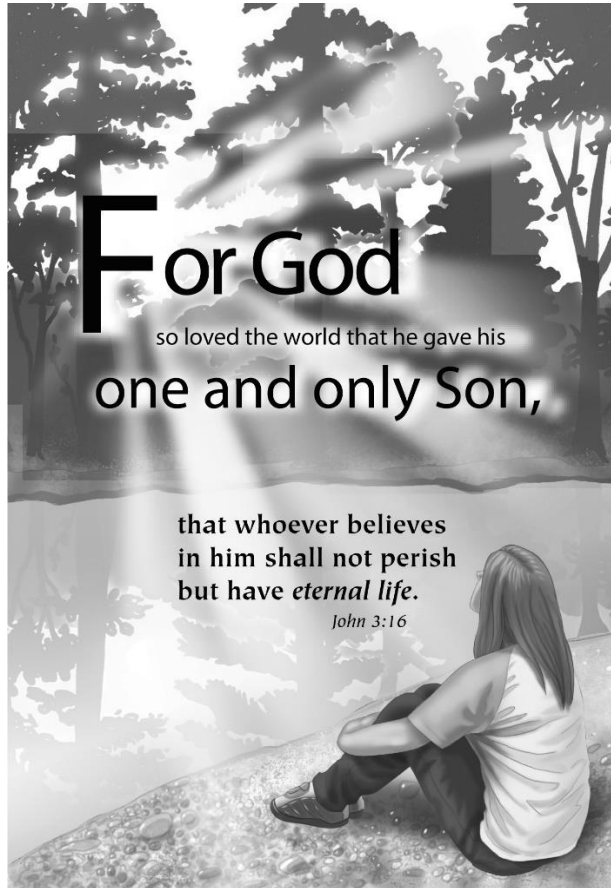


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**"Growing God's Family through Worship and Service"**

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**11:00 a.m. Sunday**

## **Order of Worship**

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

### **Prelude Music**

### **Welcome by Pastor**

### **Opening Prayer & Invocation**

**Song:                                      Your Love Defends Me**

You are my joy, You are my song  
You are the well, the One I'm drawing from  
You are my refuge, my whole life long  
Where else would I go?

#### **Chorus**

**Surely my God is the strength of my soul  
Your love defends me, Your love defends me  
And when I feel like I'm all alone  
Your love defends me, Your love defends me**

Day after day, night after night  
I will remember, You're with me in this fight  
Although the battle, it rages on  
The war already won  
I know the war is already won

#### **Chorus**

#### **Bridge**

We sing Hallelujah  
You're my portion, My salvation  
Hallelujah

**Chorus** (Twice)

## **Bridge** (Three Times)

### **Time of Confession and Absolution**

**C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not lived you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the Glory of your holy name. amen**

### **Song “Glorify Thy Name”**

Father, we love Thee, we praise Thee, we adore Thee.  
Glorify Thy name in all the earth.  
Glorify Thy name, glorify Thy name.  
Glorify Thy name in all the earth.

Jesus, we love Thee, we praise Thee, we adore Thee.  
Glorify Thy name in all the earth.  
Glorify Thy name, glorify Thy name.  
Glorify Thy name in all the earth.

Spirit, we love Thee, we praise Thee, we adore Thee.  
Glorify Thy name in all the earth.  
Glorify Thy name, glorify Thy name.  
Glorify Thy name in all the earth.

### **The Apostles Creed**

**All: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **Offering**

Song **“Amazing Grace”**

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound, That saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found, Was blind but now I see.

The Lord has promised good to me, His Word my hope secures;  
He will my shield and portion be, As long as life endures.

Through many dangers, toils and snares, I have already come;  
His grace has brought me safe thus far, His grace will lead me home.

Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail, And mortal life shall cease,  
Amazing grace shall then prevail, In heaven's joy and peace.

When we've been there ten thousand years, Bright shining as the sun,  
We've no less days to sing God's praise, Than when we'd first begun.

## **Prayers/Lord's Prayer**

We pray....

We pray as Jesus taught us...

**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 and ever. Amen.**

**Scripture Reading:**

**John 9:1-17**

“As he passed by, he saw a man blind from birth. And his disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” Jesus answered, “It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, but that the works of God might be displayed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.” Having said these things, he spit on the ground and made mud with the saliva. Then he anointed the man's eyes with the mud and said to him, “Go, wash in the pool of Siloam” (which means Sent). So he went and washed and came back seeing. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar were saying, “Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?”<sup>9</sup> Some said, “It is he.” Others said, “No, but he is like him.” He kept saying, “I am the man.” So they said to him, “Then how were your eyes opened?” He answered, “The man called Jesus made mud and anointed my eyes and said to me, ‘Go to Siloam and wash.’ So I went and washed and received my sight.” They said to him, “Where is he?” He said, “I do not know.” They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a Sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. So the Pharisees again asked him how he had received his sight. And he said to them, “He put mud on my eyes, and I washed, and I see.” Some of the Pharisees said, “This man is not from God, for he does not keep the Sabbath.” But others said, “How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?” And there was a division among them. So they said again to

the blind man, “What do you say about him, since he has opened your eyes?” He said, “He is a prophet.”

## **Sermon**

“Whose fault is it?”

## **Song**

Who You Say I Am

Who am I that the highest King, Would welcome me  
I was lost but He brought me in, Oh His love for me

### **Chorus**

**Who the Son sets free, Oh is free indeed  
I'm a child of God, Yes I am**

Free at last He has ransomed me, His grace runs deep  
While I was a slave to sin, Jesus died for me, Yes He died for me

### **Chorus**

In my Father's house, There's a place for me  
I'm a child of God, Yes I am

Bridge (Twice)

I am chosen, not forsaken, I am who You say I am  
You are for me, not against me, I am who You say I am  
I am who You say I am (2nd time only)

### **Chorus**

(Sing Twice)

In my Father's house, There's a place for me  
I'm a child of God, Yes I am

Benediction: