

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



Meditation

Artist of souls,
You sculpted a people for yourself
out of the rocks of wilderness and fasting.
Help us as we take up your invitation to prayer and simplicity,
that the discipline of these forty days
may sharpen our hunger for the feast of you holy friendship,
and whet our thirst for the living water you have to offer
through Jesus Christ. The One of the Cross.
Amen.

PRELUDE

GATHERING & WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP (ADAPTED FROM PSALM 22)

Let all who know God, seek God, need God – Praise God.
All the ends of the earth and universe shall remember and turn to God. As we do now.

And the poor, in all the ways we are poor, shall be satisfied;
All the families of the nations shall worship before this mighty God.

For above all and below all; beyond what we know and will never know
Everything, including us, belongs to God. This is the Good News, indeed.

Come, let us lift our voices in praise and song of this God that knows and loves us.
Amen.

*HYMN #76 MY SONG IS LOVE UNKNOWN

My Song Is Love Unknown

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LOVE UNKNOWN 6.6.6.6.4.4.4.4

Samuel Crossman, 1664

John Ireland, 1918

1. My song is love un - known, My Sav - ior's love to me, Love
2. Christ came from heav - en's throne Sal - va - tion to be - stow, But
3. Some - times they strew His way, And His sweet prais - es sing, Re -
4. They rise, and needs will have My dear Lord made a - way; A
5. Here might I stay and sing, No sto - ry so di - vine: Nev -

to the love - less shown That they might love - ly be. O who am
peo - ple scorned and none The longed-for Christ would know. But O my
sound - ing all the way Ho - san - nas to their King. Then "Cru - ci -
mur - der - er they save, The Prince of life they slay. Yet stead - fast
er was love, dear King, Nev - er was grief like Thine. This is my

I That for my sake My Lord should take Frail flesh, and die?
Friend, My Friend in - deed, Who at my need His life did spend!
fy!" Is all their breath, And for His death They thirst and cry.
He To suf - fer - ing goes, That He His foes From thence might free.
Friend, In whose sweet praise I all my days Could glad - ly spend.

CALL TO CONFESSION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of grace and God of glory, we recognize and confess that we have failed you.
We close our ears to the cries of the suffering; we turn away from neighbors in need;
we fall short of your call to love you, and to love one another with all of our hearts.
Forgive us, we pray. By your Holy Spirit, breathe new life into our weary bones,
that we might find the strength to rise up and follow. Amen.**

*Please stand if you are comfortable doing so.

SILENT PRAYERS FOR RECONCILIATION

RESPONSE: ASSURANCE OF GOD’S LOVE

Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were a pres - ent far too small;
 love so a - maz - ing, so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (MATTHEW 5:48; LUKE 6:36)

Jesus is reported to have said, “Forgive and you will be forgiven.” Such and more is the assurance of pardon we share this and every day. **Amen!**

GREETING EACH OTHER, LOVED AND FORGIVEN

May the Peace of Christ be with you all! **And also with you!**
 Let us greet each other, loved and forgiven!

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Be with us, O God, as we listen to the words of those people whose stories tell the presence of your love and wisdom for all the ages.

Guide us, O God, in our reflection so that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, in your will discover peace, and in your love find our salvation.

GOSPEL READING: MARK 8:27-38 (THE MESSAGE)

Jesus and his disciples went on to the villages around Caesarea Philippi. On the way he asked them, “Who do people say I am?”

They replied, “Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.”

“But what about you?” he asked. “Who do you say I am?”
 Peter answered, “You are the Messiah.”

Jesus warned them not to tell anyone about him.

He then began to teach them that the Son of Humanity must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and after three days rise again. He spoke plainly about this, and Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.

But when Jesus turned and looked at his disciples, he rebuked Peter. “Get behind me, Satan!” he said. “You do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns.”

Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: “Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me and for the gospel will save it. What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul? If anyone is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will be ashamed of them when he comes in his God’s glory with the holy angels.”

SERMON ONLY YOU CAN SAY

REV. RAY BAGNUOLO

TIME FOR MEDITATION

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PREPARING FOR THE OFFERING

In this world, someone has too much. **Someone has barely enough, someone has nothing at all.**

When we share our commitment and financial support, we act on the imagination of Jesus. **Jesus, who sees enough bread to go around, enough courage to speak the truth, and enough love to overcome all things.**

O God, to those of us who have hunger, give bread. And to those of us who have bread, give the hunger for justice.

When the 5,000 were hungry, the disciples came to Jesus and said: “Send the people away, so they may get something to eat.”

Jesus answered: “You give them something to eat.”

OFFERTORY MUSIC

BLESSING THE OFFERING

And the people reached in their pockets and pulled out the bread and the fishes and shared them, and there was abundance for all, and even more. **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE PRAYER THAT JESUS TAUGHT US TO PRAY:

Our Mother/Father who are in heaven hallowed be thy name. Thy kindom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heave. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil for thine is the kindom the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all bles - sings flow; Praise God all crea - tures here be - low; Praise
 God a - bove ye heav'n - ly host; Cre - a - tor, Christ and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

HYMN: ONE BREAD ONE BODY

One bread, one bod - y, one Lord of all,
 one cup of bless - ing which we bless. And
 we, though man - y through - out the earth,

*Please stand if you are comfortable doing so.

we are one bod - y in this one Lord.

wom - an or man, no more.
one in the Lord of all. One
gath - ered to one, for all.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER: ALL ARE WELCOME

Let us gather around the table with the offering of bread and drink upon it and the promise of the Living Jesus among us. This is the welcome table of God where all who seek to be at peace with their neighbor and all who seek the mercy of God in Christ are embraced. Come, for we are invited in to this holy mystery. Come.

We are ready!

Jesus said: "I am the bread of life. All who come to me shall not hunger, and all who believe in me shall never be thirsty.

We are hungry and thirsty. We come to this table.

We remember that on the night of betrayal and desertion, Jesus took his authority and offered the bread in thanksgiving and said,

"Take, eat. This is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

In the same way, and by the same authority, Jesus offered the cup in thanksgiving and said,

"Take, drink. This is my blood of the new covenant which is poured out for you and for many, for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it in remembrance of me."

Come, Holy Spirit. Come. Open our eyes to the mystery of Christ's presence in these ordinary things in these our everyday lives. May they be for us the very essence of the living Christ in our midst.

Through the broken bread

We participate in the Body of Christ.

Through the cup of blessing

We participate in the new life Christ gives.

These are the gifts of God for the people of God. Come, for all things are ready!

UNISON PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AFTER COMMUNION

Gracious and loving God, you have made us one and nourished us at your table with holy food and drink. Thank you for feeding our hunger and relieving our thirst. Now send us into the world to do the work you have given us to do: to find the lost and lonely, to heal broken souls, to free prisoners, and make the powerful care. Grant us strength to persevere in resisting evil, and to proclaim in all we say and do your good news. Give us your Light to illumine the path. Amen.

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***CLOSING HYMN #540 GOD BE WITH YOU TILL WE MEET AGAIN**

CLOSING HYMNS

540 God Be with You Till We Meet Again

Jeremiah Eames Rankin, 1880; alt. RANDOLPH 9.8.8.9 Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

Unison Harmony

1. God be with you till we meet a - gain; Lov - ing coun - sels
2. God be with you till we meet a - gain; Un - seen wings pro -
3. God be with you till we meet a - gain; When life's per - ils
4. God be with you till we meet a - gain; Keep love's ban - ner

guide, up - hold you, With a Shep-herd's care en - fold you:
tect - ing hide you, Dai - ly man - na still pro - vide you:
thick con - found you, Put un - fail - ing arms a - round you:
float - ing o'er you, Smite death's threat-ening wave be - fore you:

Unison

God be with you till we meet a - gain.

BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH

***BENEDICTION**

(English)

Christians rise and act your creed,
Let your prayer be in your deed;
Seek the right, perform the true,
Raise your work and life anew.
Come then law divine and reign,
Frest faith assailed in vain.
Perfect love, bereft of fear,
born in heaven and radiant here. Amen.

(Czech)

Amen to pozehnani prijdiz na nas vsecky,
Abychom po skonani vesli v raj nebesky,
A tam s angelskou risi, boha take ctilli,
Dejz nam to; o Jezisi, spasitely mily.
Amen.

POSTLUDE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOIN US FOR COFFEE HOUR AND A LIGHT FELLOWSHIP MEAL

You are invited to join us immediately after worship for our Coffee Hour and a Light Fellowship Meal.

ALL ARE WELCOME HERE.

We are a fully welcoming congregation that honors the great and wonderful diversity of God’s creation. We honor those who find themselves here and yet may follow a different faith tradition. We believe your presence and faith enriches our gathering. If you identify yourself as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender or in any other way that expresses your gender identity – you are welcome here and fully invited to participate in the work and worship of this congregation.


MEMBERSHIP

We are a small, family-sized congregation with less than 25 members. Yet, we are committed to our Homeless Outreach Advocacy Program and several other forms of outreach within our daily work at Jan Hus Presbyterian Church and Neighborhood House. We are seeking new members to be part of this congregation and to bring your gifts in helping us in this vibrant and challenging ministry of Love and Justice, which we call Gospel. If you are interested in considering membership, please see me or anyone who looks like a member after worship. (Sooner or later you will find one! ☺)

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Lenten Weekly Bible Reflection



**LECTIO
DIVINA**
—the sacred art—

Lectio Divina (Divine Reading)

**Each week during Lent, we will look at a different selection in the Bible.
Using reading, reflection, silence and discussion
we will each listen for the message just for us within the text.
Led by Elder Annie Rawlings, M.Div.
Wednesday Mornings, February 29 – April 4, 2012, 7:00 – 7:30 A.M.**



**Wednesdays: 2:15 – 3 PM Spiritual Conversations, Rev. Frank Rocco
Fridays: 9:15 – 10 AM Meditation in the Sanctuary, Rev. Frank Rocco**

SUPPORT FOR THOSE WHO HAVE LESS

In order to equitably distribute the resources we have available to the hundreds of people who visit us in need each week, we provide all outreach support for others through the Homeless Outreach and Advocacy Program center. If you are in need or someone approaches you for help during our time together on Sundays, please see or refer the person to the pastor or one of the members of the church. We will take it from there, so that all those who come here have to worship and fellowship with each other. We all need time to find sanctuary and community.

AUDIO RECORDING

Most of the sermons that are delivered are available in audio formats and text through our web page at www.janhus.org. Please visit the site often for the latest information and updates.

PREACHING SCHEDULE: 3/11 Gloria-Jean; 3/18 Don, 3/25 Ray

COMPOSER’S VOICE FREE CONCERT SERIES: ALL PERFORMANCES AT 1:00 P.M. IN THE SANCTUARY

- 3/11/12 Women’s Month Part I: Guest curator: Maria Incontrera. Fifteen Fifteen-Minutes-of-Fame: Michelle McQuade Dewhirst, horn. Plus performances by Marie Incontrera and Viola Yip!
- 3/25/12 Women's Month Part II: Guest curator: Delea Shand. Music and performances by Martha Cargo, Anne Goldberg, Kjersti Kveli, Julia Menwald, Rachel Peters!
- 4/8/12 Easter Sunday. Our first JAPANESE themed concert with Fifteen-Minutes-of-Fame: Thomas Piercy, clarinet and Claudine Hickman, piano. Music and performances by JX; Kenji Haba; Kyoko Ozawa and more!!

JAN HUS PLAYHOUSE THEATER

Growing Up Gonzales, by Felix Rojas Limited Engagement www.growingupgonzales.com
Open Mic Night Every Sunday night. Bring your stand-up and your laughter! Doors Open 6 PM

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