

First Christian Church
Disciples of Christ

Third Week of Lent, Wednesday Evening Service
March 7, 2007

Prelude "Rejoice, The Lord is King" arr. Sanborn

Call to Worship

Pastor: God has done mighty things in history because people have responded to his call.

People: We remember Abraham and the promise God made to him with the call to go to a new land.

Pastor: God still calls people to participate in his salvation by following his directions.

People: We believe God is calling us. We pray he will help us to hear. And follow.

*Opening Hymn 265(vs.1,2,4)
"Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart"

*The Prayer of Invocation Unison
Heavenly Father, who calls people of every generation to share in your salvation: Speak clearly to us, and give us responsive hearts: that we may find the happiness of obedient living promised to those who hear and follow your son, through whom we pray. Amen.

The Call to Confession Pastor Basye

The Prayer of Confession Unison
We drift from one day to the next, Father, with no real purpose in being alive. Yet we long for life, and dream of better days, which we call tomorrow. Forgive us for detaining that tomorrow by not listening to your voice which calls us to live our days with you. Open our ears and our hearts; that as we hear your call, you may be able to work a mighty work in your church today. In our Savior's name we pray. Amen.

Time of Prayer and 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 sins as we forgive those who sin 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.

Sermon Hymn "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" 254

Scripture Reading Romans 5:12-19

Sermon "Freedom From the Past" Pastor Basye

Invitation to Communion Pastor Basye

Time of Communion
Please come forward down the center aisles, break off a piece of bread, and dip it in the cup, and think of your Lord, Jesus Christ as you partake of the bread. Please then return to your seats by the side aisles.

*Closing Hymn "He Leadeth Me" 545

*Benediction

*Postlude arr. Alexander
"Jesus Keep Me Near The Cross"

Note: Our offering tonight is a free will offering. There are baskets at the three doors. Our Lenten offering will be given toward our "Week of Compassion" giving.

Also, feel free to stay a bit after the service and spend time in quiet reflection.

(*Congregation will please stand if able)

The Serenity Prayer

God, give us grace to accept with serenity the things that cannot be changed, courage to change the things that should be changed, and wisdom to distinguish the one from the other.

Reinhold Niebuhr, 20th-century American theologian



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Our Mission

We are an open and welcoming community that God calls and the Holy Spirit empowers to:

- share the Good News of Jesus Christ with all ages*
- explore and express a growing faith*
- equip believers for ministries which expand the kingdom of God*