



Let's Worship!

February 26, 2023—10:30 AM

First Sunday of Lent

A Hybrid Worship Experience, In-Person and Online

Today's worship team: Music Director- Jayne McDonough. Worship Leader- Barbara Cain. Message- Rev. Larry Moyer. Worship Production- Norris Clark.



WORSHIP YOUR WAY!

Come as you are and join us in-person in our beautiful, historic Red Brick Church or at www.coldspringworship.com. Make new friends at Cold Spring Church! Inviting someone to join you is the best way to support our mission!

A LENTEN GIFT FOR YOU

We are providing a special downloadable **Lent Devotional Guide** to nurture your spiritual journey towards Easter. Download the guide from our website. A limited number of printed copies are available upon request.

MESSAGE PREVIEW

We welcome the Rev. Larry Moyer to our pulpit this week while Pastor Kevin is recuperating from surgery.

MUSIC PREVIEW

We prepare for worship with our Lenten countdown video. Throughout worship, we pause for several silent reflections to help us focus on the Spirit's inner work. After our Call to Worship, our gathering song is *God Welcomes All*. We will use the *Lenten Doxology* as we offer our praises to God.

Following the message, we will enjoy "As The Deer," written in 1981, one of the most popular songs in the contemporary Christian musical (CCM) genre written by Martin J. Nystrom, a native of Seattle, Washington. After paraphrasing the first verse of Psalm 42, the song reflects on this passage, continuing in the first-person perspective of the psalm, inviting all of us to affirm: You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship you.

Our worship concludes with the Gospel reading set to the tune, "Lead On O King Eternal," with the lyrics to the Carolyn Gillette hymn, "O Lord, the Spirit Led You."

GREETING OF IN-PERSON WORSHIPPERS

COUNTDOWN TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE: JAYNE McDONOUGH

WELCOME: REV. LARRY MOYER

CALL TO WORSHIP (RESPONSIVELY)

Jesus began his ministry to the world,
led by the Spirit into the wilderness.

**As we begin our Lenten journey,
lead us by the Spirit into
the uncomfortable places.**

In those forty days, and in that place,
Jesus was faced with hunger, doubt, and
temptation.

**As we follow Jesus, bless is as we
make uncomfortable choices.**

Jesus left the wilderness, faithful and obedient to
God, rejoicing in the One in whom he trusted.

**As we continue on our path, lead us in
hope, rejoicing in Christ, our Lord.**

GOD WELCOMES ALL

**God welcomes all, strangers and friends;
God's love is strong and it never ends.**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (UNISON):

**Lord, help us not only to hear your Word
but listen to it that we may understand
and be transformed. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING: PSALM 32:1-7 (NIV)

Blessed is the one whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. Blessed is the one whose sin the Lord does not count against them and in whose spirit is no deceit.

When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy on me; my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer. Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity.

I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.” And you forgave the guilt of my sin. Therefore let all the faithful pray to you while you may be found; surely the rising of the mighty waters will not reach them.

You are my hiding place; you will protect me from trouble and surround me with songs of deliverance.

MESSAGE FOR KIDS- PRAYER FOR FAMILIES

GOSPEL READING: MATTHEW 4:1-11 (MSG)

Now Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wild. For forty wilderness days and nights he was tested by the Devil. He ate nothing during those days, and when the time was up he was hungry. The Devil, playing on his hunger, gave the first test: “Since you’re God’s Son, command this stone to turn into a loaf of bread.” Jesus answered by quoting Deuteronomy: “It takes more than bread to really live.”

For the second test he led him up and spread out all the kingdoms of the earth on display at once. Then the Devil said, “They’re yours in all their splendor to serve your pleasure. I’m in charge of them all and can turn them over to whomever I wish. Worship me and they’re yours, the whole works.” Jesus refused, again backing his refusal with Deuteronomy: “Worship the Lord your God and only the Lord your God. Serve him with absolute single-heartedness.”

For the third test the Devil took him to Jerusalem and put him on top of the Temple. He said, “If you are God’s Son, jump. It’s written, isn’t it, that ‘he has placed you in the care of angels to protect you; they will catch you; you won’t so much as stub your toe on a stone’?” “Yes,” said Jesus, “and it’s also written, ‘Don’t you dare tempt the Lord your God.’”

That completed the testing. The Devil retreated temporarily, lying in wait for another opportunity.

MESSAGE—

MATTHEW 4:1-11, REV. LARRY MOYER

PRAYER AND SILENT REFLECTION

MUSIC VIDEO: *AS THE DEER*

VERSE 1

As the deer panteth for the water
So my soul longeth after Thee
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship Thee

CHORUS

You alone are my strength my
shield
To You alone may my spirit yield
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship Thee

VERSE 2

You're my friend and You are my
brother
Even though You are a King
I love You more than any other
So much more than anything

VERSE 3

I want You more than gold or silver
Only You can satisfy
You alone are the real joy-giver
And the apple of my eye

3 Lord, your words are waters living
where I quench my thirsty needs.
Lord, your words are bread life-giving;
on your words my spirit feeds.
Lord, your words will be my light
thro' death's cold and dreary night;
yes, they are my sword prevailing
and my cup of joy unfailing.

4 As I pray, dear Jesus, hear me;
let your words in me take root.
May your Spirit e'er be near me
that I bear abundant fruit.
May I daily sing your praise,
from my heart glad anthems raise,
till my highest praise is given
in the endless joy of heaven.

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

God loves you and nothing separates you
from God's love. In a spirit of gratitude and
honesty, let us pray together:

PRAYER OF FORGIVENESS

(10:50)

**Loving God, forgive us our sins, hurting or
neglecting others, missing opportunities
to serve. Help us change and live more like
Jesus, through Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

SILENT REFLECTION

HEAR THE WORDS OF ASSURANCE (RESPONSIVELY)

In the name of Jesus Christ, God loves and
forgives us to live a life of faith, hope, and
love.

Thanks be to God, we are forgiven. Amen.

THE GLORIA

(3)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

GIFTS OF GRATITUDE

God calls us to grateful generosity. You may use the Giving Box as an usher passes, or give as you leave, and online anytime. If you believe in our mission, thank you for supporting our mission.

THE LENTEN DOXOLOGY

(4. 11:08)

**Praise God throughout these forty days.
Praise Christ, our Lord,
whom God did raise.
And praise the Spirit who imparts
God's love in Christ into our hearts. Amen.**

PRAYER OF GRATITUDE

COMMUNITY NEWS

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Happy birthday to Heather Wertley (3/1), Susan Sparks (3/2), Amy Myers (3/3), and Buddy Dehart (3/7).

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

(10:54)

Chris Randle, Carlene Moyer's brother (heart attack). Larry's cousin's daughter Cathy passed away). Pastor Kevin recovering from surgery. Paul Haggy. Laurie Johnson. Michael with ALS. The people of Turkey and Syria as they struggle in the aftermath of devastating earthquakes. Rev. Doug Madden and Rev. Reeder (surgery). Lloyd and Sharron Posnikoff, Eileen and David Word. Glenn McDonough. Jarrod Rotella (job search). Those on hospice: Bob Fite, Gertrude Hess. For healing: Jonna Myers, Susan Dehart, Eileen Stalford, Barbara Smith. Those undergoing cancer treatment: Robin B, Carmela G, Lori B, Mike, Kim, Steve, Rickey, Lorraine, Kate, Candy, and Dr. Regina.

PRAYER

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

debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

FRESH EXPRESSION OF COMMUNITY

**Once we were strangers,
Now we are neighbors.**

**Once we were strangers,
Now we are friends.**

MUSIC: O LORD, THE SPIRIT LED YOU

TUNE LEAD ON, O KING ETERNAL

**O Lord, the Spirit led you
into the wilderness;
For forty days the devil
would put you to the test.
You fasted! You were famished!
And soon the devil said,
"If you're God's Son, then show it:
just turn this stone to bread."**

**Yet, Christ, your way was steady —
as solid as that stone;
You trusted in God's promise,
and not in bread alone.**

**Nor would you bow to earn you
a kingdom made of sod,
For everyone must offer
allegiance unto God.**

**High on the temple tower,
you heard the tempter say:
If you think God has power,
then simply step this way!
But you rebuked the devil,
said, "No!", and turned around;
When others fell for evil,
you stood on solid ground.**

**You were, in most ways, like us,
and yet you did not sin.
We're grateful you walk with us
as Lenten days begin.
May we, in each decision,
be faithful, strong and sure.
May we, too, have a vision
of things that will endure.**

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

(11:29)

Notes for Today's Worship: CCLI License
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1. *God Welcomes All*: CCLI #7102394
2. *As The Deer*. CCLI Song # 1431.
3. *Gloria*: Public Domain
4. *Doxology*: CCLI #425557
5. O Lord, The Spirit Led You. Tune:
Traditional Welsh melody, from Daniel
Evans' *Hymnau a Thonau (Hymns and
Tunes)*, 1865 ("Lead On, O King Eternal";
"Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers") CCLI
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