



The Worship of God

March 29, 2020
Fifth Sunday of Lent

The white candle on the altar table is the Christ candle, reminding us that Jesus is the Light of the World.
The six purple candles represent the weeks of Lent, as purple is a color of repentance and of royalty.

If possible, light a candle (of any kind) at home to prepare for this time of worship.

Welcome Jennifer Rygg

Prelude **How Great Thou Art with Blessed Be Your Name** O STORE GUD Redman

Responsive Call to Worship **Psalm 89:1-8** Cara Morgan

I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.

I declare that your steadfast love is established forever; your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.

You said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one, I have sworn to my servant David:

'I will establish your descendants forever, and build your throne for all generations.'"

Let the heavens praise your wonders, O Lord, your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones.

For who in the skies can be compared to the Lord? Who among the heavenly beings is like the Lord,

A God feared in the council of the holy ones, great and awesome above all that are around him?

O Lord God of hosts, who is as mighty as you, O Lord? Your faithfulness surrounds you.

Hymn **It Is Well** VILLE DU HAVRE

Verses

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
when sorrows like sea billows roll;
whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,
"It is well, it is well with my soul.

My sin - oh, the bliss of this glorious thought!
My sin, not in part, but the whole
is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more.
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, o my soul!

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
let this blest assurance control:
that Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
and has shed His own blood for my soul.

And, Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight,
the clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
the trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend,
"Even so" - it is well with my soul.

Chorus

**It is well (it is well) with my soul (with my soul),
it is well, it is well with my soul.**

Gospel Reading **Mark 13:1-8,24-37** Trina Baldwin

The Word of God for the People of God
Thanks be to God.

Extinguishing of Candles

Cara Morgan

Today, on the 5th Sunday of Lent, we extinguish five purple candles to represent how some of the light Jesus brought into the world was put out by those who did not fully understand and accept Jesus.

The Lord's Prayer

Cara Morgan

**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. Amen.**

Children's Song

Jesus Loves Me

Warner & Bradbury

Children's Sermon

"What Is Different?"

Jennifer Rygg

Solo

Is He Worthy?
Chris Cottingham

Peterson & Shive

Sermon

"Change of Plans"

Jennifer Rygg

Response

The Doxology

OLD 100TH, alt.

Benediction

Jennifer Rygg

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Worship Notes

Giving an offering is an act of worship. Even during this time of physical separation, your generosity is important to enable the work of the church to continue as much as possible. Several giving options are available:

- Give securely online at fbcpendleton.org. Click the GIVE NOW button.
- Text the word **FBCPENDLETON** to recipient **73256**.
- Mail your contribution to PO Box 187, Pendleton, SC 29670.

Announcements

Update on FBCP Response to COVID-19. As we have continued to follow the developing situation of the COVID-19 outbreak, **church council has decided to suspend all in-person church activities and services until further notice.**

Gathering as a community of faith is a gift that we sacrifice with great sadness, in order to protect our church family, especially the more vulnerable among us. The Centers for Disease Control recommends that if there is minimal or moderate spread of COVID-19 in the community, and an event is likely to have 10 or more people who are at higher risk of serious COVID-19 illness (older adults and those with underlying health problems such as lung or heart disease and diabetes) then the event should be canceled. As COVID-19 continues to spread in our community, schools are closed until the end of April, and large gatherings are highly discouraged, we have determined it best to suspend in-person church activities and services. We will continue to post a weekly worship video on Sundays and offer other opportunities for faith formation. Details will be included in upcoming church emails and in the newsletter, which is mailed and emailed every other week, and which we plan to continue. To be added to the church email or mailing list, please contact office@fbcpendleton.org or 864-646-3913.

Church Office: At this time, the church office is open but most staff members are working from home. If your phone call is not answered, please leave a message; the church voicemail will be checked regularly. If you have a pastoral emergency, please call Pastor Jennifer Rygg at 864-760-7135.

Online Wednesday Night Bible Study will meet 6:30-7:30 pm each week using Google Meet. Information on how to join will be sent via email on Wednesday.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Tuesday, March 31

Rosa Gibson, Clarissa Jimenez

Wednesday, April 1

Susan Morgan

Thursday, April 2

Cam Westmoreland

Saturday, April 4

Gary Bittering

every member a minister

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Jennifer McClung Rygg · Pastor

Rev. Chris Cottingham · Minister of Music and Youth

Rev. Cara Morgan · Volunteer Minister to Young Adults

Marlena Dixon · Building Manager

Keleigh Frazier · Director of Children's Ministry

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