

The Church Gathered

March 29, 2020

11:00 a.m.

*He was despised and rejected by mankind, a man of suffering, and familiar with pain
– Isaiah 53:3*

Prelude

Howard Horne and Nancy Muskrat

Welcome to Worshippers

Robin Drake

Hymn of Praise 355

We Praise Thee, O God

REVIVE US AGAIN

**We praise thee, O God! for the Son of Thy love,
For Jesus who died, and is now gone above.**

**Hallelujah! Thine the glory. Hallelujah! Amen.
Hallelujah! Thine the glory. Revive us again.**

**We praise Thee, O God! for Thy Spirit of light,
Who hath shown us our Savior, and scattered our night.**

**Hallelujah! Thine the glory. Hallelujah! Amen.
Hallelujah! Thine the glory. Revive us again.**

**All glory and praise to the Lamb that was slain,
Who hath borne all our sins, and hath cleansed every stain.**

**Hallelujah! Thine the glory. Hallelujah! Amen.
Hallelujah! Thine the glory. Revive us again.**

**Revive us again, fill each heart with Thy love,
May each soul be rekindled with fire from above.**

**Hallelujah! Thine the glory. Hallelujah! Amen.
Hallelujah! Thine the glory. Revive us again.**

Words: William P. Mackay, 1863

*Lord, who throughout these forty days for us did fast and pray;
Teach us, O Christ, to mourn our sins and close by you to stay.*

Responsive Reading

Gen. 7:12, Exod. 24:18, 1 Kings 19:8, Mark 1:13

God's Revelation:

Leader: The rain fell on the earth forty days and forty nights.

All: Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

Leader: Elijah got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food for forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

All: Jesus was in the wilderness for forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

Our Response:

Leader: Lord God, who cleansed the earth through forty days of floods,

All: and gave Your guiding law through forty days of worship,

Leader: who revived Elijah through forty days of pilgrimage,

All: and sent Your Son to fight our foe through forty days of fasting,

Leader: grant us grace to enter the flood, the fire, the desert,

All: the penitence and the journey, the emptiness and the fasting,

Leader: that leads us to Gethsemane, and the dark scene of Golgotha,

All: and leave us at the empty tomb, to see Your risen Son.

**In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Worship in Song

Not My Will, But Thine
Ruth Elaine Schram

Patricia Bedford and Bruce Muskrat

Howard Horne – flute, Judy Tumlinson – violin

Come with me, come with me to Gethsemane,
Stay with me, pray with me in my hour of need,
For my soul is sorrowful, troubled and distressed;
For my soul is sorrowful to the point of death.

Aching heart, breaking heart, falling to His knees,
Praying to the Father 'neath the flowering trees.
Everything is possible, possible for Thee;
If it be possible, take this cup from me!

Abba, Father, I will drink my fill;
bitter dregs, on Calvary's Hill!
Abba, Father, show me Thy way,
I will follow today; not my will, but Thine.

'Neath the weight of the cross willingly He trod
Up the hill to Calvary, blessed Son of God!
In His heart, saying, praying all the time.
In His heart, saying, "Not My will, but Thine."

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The Congregation in Prayer

Hymn of Stewardship 488

Come, All Christians, Be Committed

Michael Mills

BEACH SPRING

**Come, all Christians, be committed
to the service of the Lord
Make your lives for Him more fitted,
tune your hearts with one accord.
Come into His courts with gladness,
each your sacred vows renew,
Turn away from sin and sadness,
be transformed with life anew.**

**Give your time and talents daily,
they are gifts from God above,
To be used by Christians freely
to proclaim His wondrous love.
Come again to serve the Savior,
tithes and offerings with you bring.
In your work with Him find favor,
and with joy His praises sing.**

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Instrumental Offertory

C. L. Bass

The Doxology

OLD 100TH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him, above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen**

Words, Thomas Ken, 1674

*And through these days of penitence, and through your Passiontide,
Forevermore, in life and death, O Christ, with us abide.*

Scripture in Song

With Wings as Eagles
Benjamin Harlan

Nancy and Bruce Muskrat

We will rejoice in the Lord.
We will rejoice in the God of our salvation.
He never fails, is never weary;
He gives His strength to the weak.
Those who wait upon the Lord will renew their strength.

They will mount up with wings as eagles,
They will run and not be weary.
They will walk and not faint.
Those who wait upon the Lord will have strength.

If the trees never blossom, if no fruit is on the vine;
If the fields yield no grain, if no herd is in the stalls,
We will still rejoice in the Lord!
We will rejoice in the God of our salvation.

