



Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing. Luke 23:34

MARCH 26-27 2022

4TH SUNDAY IN LENT

PASTORAL WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THOUGHTS FOR THE DAY:

- ❖ The study of the Bible is a post-graduate course in the richest library of human experience. - Herbert Hoover
- ❖ For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. - Romans 15:4

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: God calls us to open our hearts to God's teaching.

People: We offer our hearts and our minds to our God.

Leader: God invites us into a new way of life.

People: Our old life is death. We will receive God's life in us.

Leader: God calls us to die to the old ways and embrace life.

People: In newness of life, we offer ourselves to God and the world.

PRAISE SONG: *God Spoke (music at end of bulletin)*

OUR CONFESSION:

Leader: Let us confess to God and before one another our sins and especially our clinging to the old ways of death.

People: We confess to you, O God, and before one another that we have sinned. You have offered us your own Spirit to dwell within us and guide us to life but we have listened instead to the old ways of the world that take us to death. We act as if we understand the world and life better than you, the Creator of all. Call us back once more to listen to your Word that we may find life eternal. Amen.

Leader: The light of Jesus' love sets us free and guides us into new possibilities; let us then live in the light as God's children, following our Lord in joy and hope.

CONFESSION RESPONSE: *Ancient Words (music at end of bulletin)*

THE SCRIPTURES: Jeremiah 31:31-34 (The Message)

31-32 “That’s right. The time is coming when I will make a brand-new covenant with Israel and Judah. It won’t be a repeat of the covenant I made with their ancestors when I took their hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt. They broke that covenant even though I did my part as their Master.” GOD’s Decree.

33-34 “This is the brand-new covenant that I will make with Israel when the time comes. I will put my law within them—write it on their hearts!—and be their God. And they will be my people. They will no longer go around setting up schools to teach each other about GOD. They’ll know me firsthand, the dull and the bright, the smart and the slow. I’ll wipe the slate clean for each of them. I’ll forget they ever sinned!” GOD’s Decree.

Matthew 5:17-18

“Don’t suppose for a minute that I have come to demolish the Scriptures—either God’s Law or the Prophets. I’m not here to demolish but to complete. I am going to put it all together, pull it all together in a vast panorama. God’s Law is more real and lasting than the stars in the sky and the ground at your feet. Long after stars burn out and earth wears out, God’s Law will be alive and working.

MESSAGE: “I Want to Tell the Story”

Pastor Cristy Schoob

MESSAGE RESPONSE: Child of the Water (music at end of bulletin)

THE PRAYERS

THE LORD’S PRAYER:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are Yours now and forever. Amen.

THE SENDING OUT:

Leader: May the Light that shines in the darkness, light your path so you may not stumble. May the Lord Jesus Christ shine in your life so that others might find the path to eternal life.

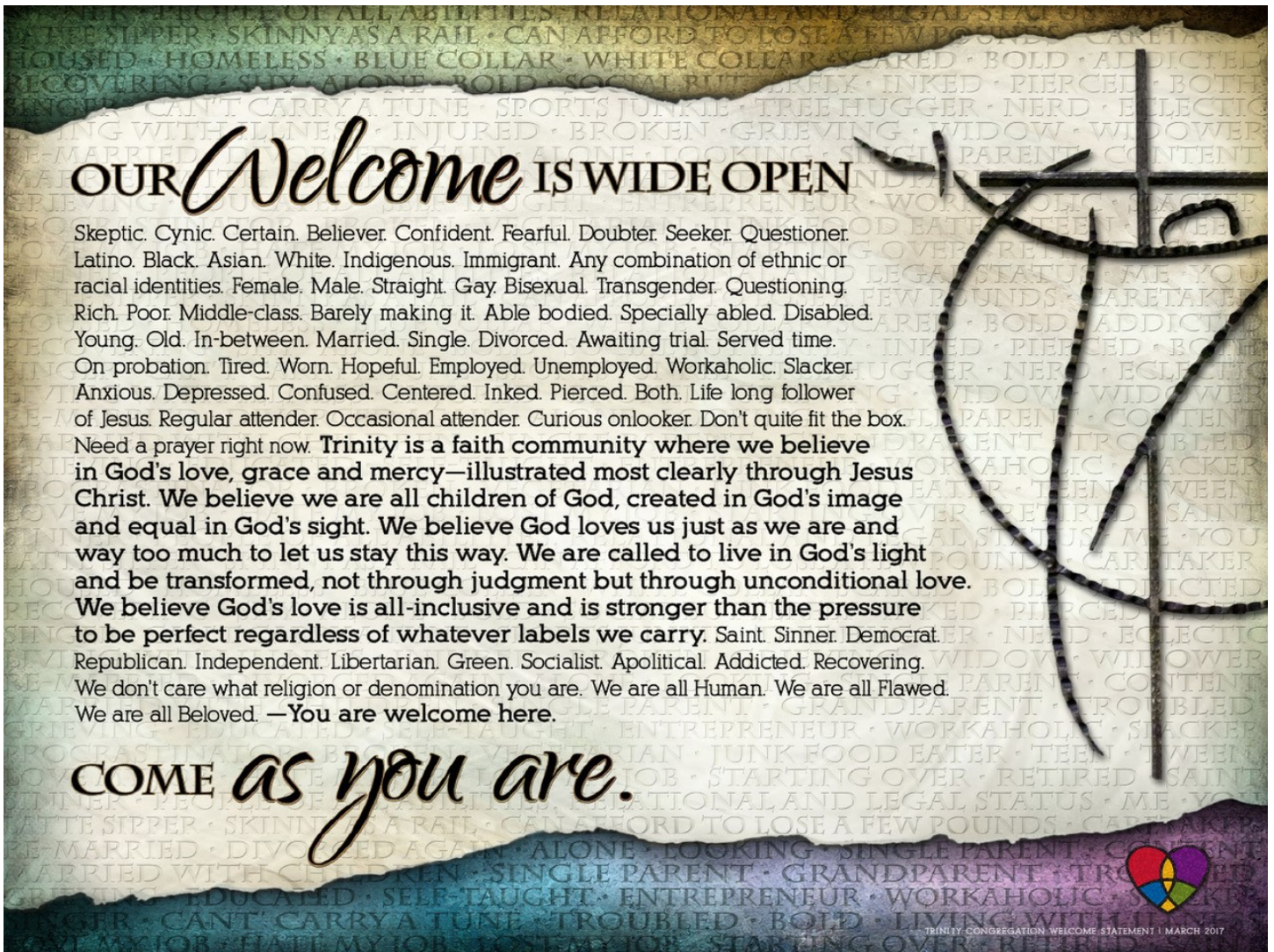
All: Amen.

THE SENDING SONG: Open My Heart To Your Love (music at end of bulletin)

THE DISMISSAL:

Leader: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.



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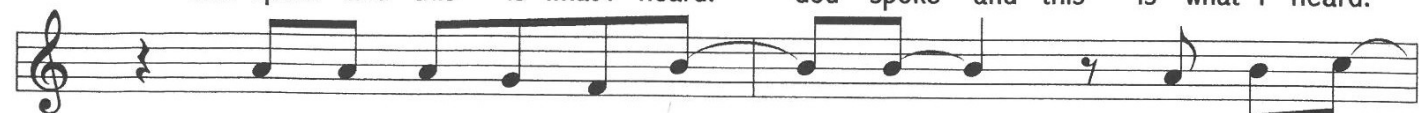
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God Spoke



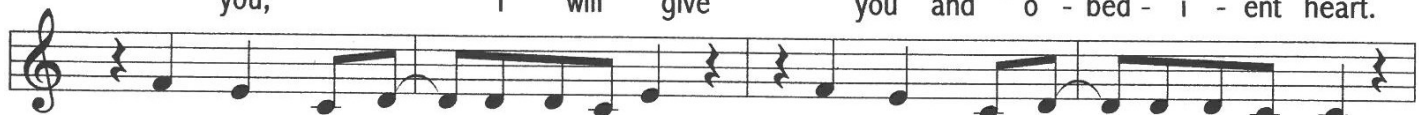
God spoke and this is what I heard: God spoke and this is what I heard:



1. I will give you a new heart and a new
3. I will call you my people, I will love



mind, and I'll take away your heart of stone.
you, I will give you and obedient heart.



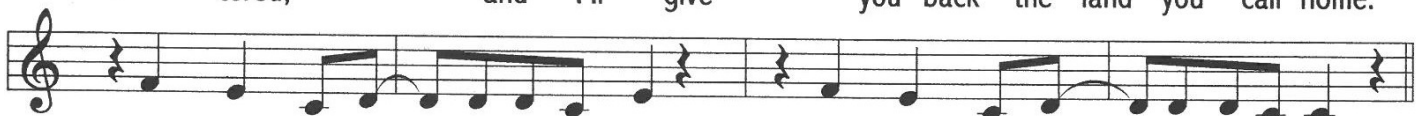
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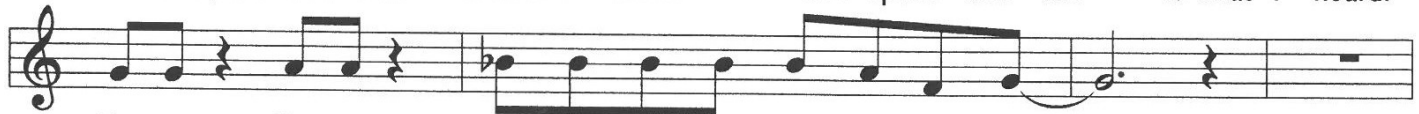
2. I will give you my spirit to be with
4. I will gather my people who are scattered



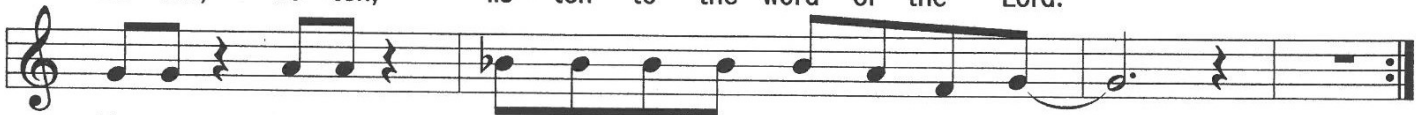
- you, from today until the end of time.
tered, and I'll give you back the land you call home.



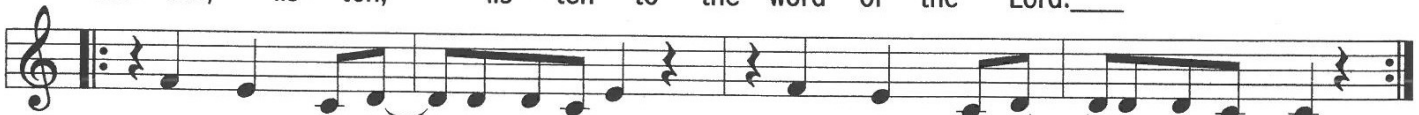
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Ancient Words

1. Ho - ly words long pre - served for our
2. Ho - ly words of our faith hand - ed

walk down in this world; They re - sound with God's own
to this age, came to us through sac - ri -

heart, O, let the an - cient words im - part;
fice; O, heed the faith - ful words of Christ;

Words of life, words of hope, give us
Ho - ly words long pre - served for our

strength, help us cope; In this world where - 'er we
walk in this world; They re - sound with God's own

roam, - an - cient words will guide us home.
heart; O, let the an - cient words im - part.

An - cient words, ev - er true, chang - ing
me, and chang - ing you; We have come with o - pen

hearts, O let the an - cient words im - part

3

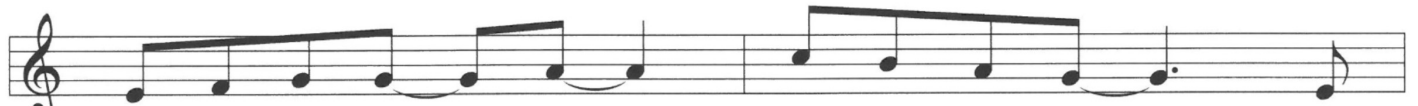
Child of the Water



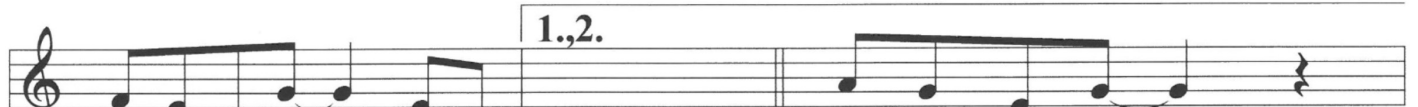
You're a child of the wa - ter, child of the word,



guid - ed by prom - ise and sto - ries you've heard.



God of the wound - ed knows you by name and




car-ries you home ev' - ry - day. **1.,2.**

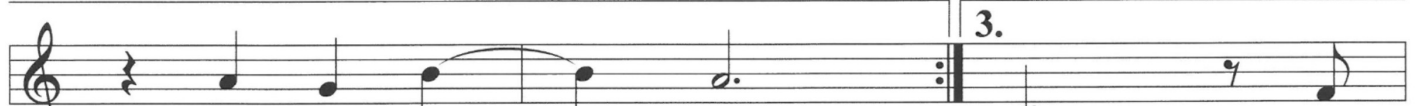
1.From your first breath
2.Life is a gift



to the last step, all of the dance; down
time car - ries on, and you will grow; a -



deep in your laugh - ter what - ev - er your fears
midst your be - liev - ing and through - out your doubt,



try to re - mem - ber. **3.**
some - thing is sure. day. 3.We



jour - ney to - geth - er as child - ren of God sealed by the cross.

Open My Heart to Your Love

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Open My Heart to Your Love'. It consists of four staves of music, each with a treble clef and a 3/4 time signature. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with 'O - pen my heart to your love, oh God.' The second staff continues with 'Heal - er of na - tions and bro - ken hearts, God.' The third staff has 'O - pen my heart to your love, oh God.' The fourth staff starts with 'O - pen my eyes to your grace.' The fifth staff continues with 'you are the path - way to peace.' The sixth staff has 'O - pen my eyes to your grace.' The seventh staff begins with 'O - pen my life to re - ceive your word. Send' and the eighth staff continues with 'Sing - er of life in the face of death, may Send'. The ninth staff has 'O - pen my life to re - ceive your word. Send' and the tenth staff continues with 'wis - dom and cour - age to fol - low your way.' The eleventh staff has 'we be your ves - sels so love will in - crease.' The twelfth staff has 'wis - dom and cour - age to fol - low your way.' There is a '3' written above the final note of the twelfth staff.

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