

THIRD
SUNDAY



IN
LENT

MARCH 12, 2023
+ THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT +

CHORAL INTROIT

Holy Ground (510)
Chancel Choir, Dominic German, Director

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Libby Piotrowski and Jeff Hunter

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP PRELUDE

What a Beautiful Name
Ben Fielding and Brooke Ligertwood
2016 Hillsong Music Publishing Australia (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)

Indescribable
Jesse Reeves and Laura Story
2004 Laura Stories (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)
sixsteps Music (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)
worshiptogether.com songs (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)

Led by Dominic German, Colleen Griggs, Anders Johnson, and Brian Ward

* CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 95

Come, let us sing to the Lord!

We will listen to his voice today!

Come, let us worship and bow down.

We won't harden our hearts again like we did in the wilderness.

Let us kneel before the Lord our maker;

he is our God.

We are the people he watches over,

the flock under his care.

* OPENING SONG

How Deep the Father's Love for Us
Stuart Townend
1995 Thankyou Music (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

adapted from Joanne Carlson Brown

Patient and ever-faithful God,

we come to you this morning
confessing with our forebears in faith
that we can be difficult people.

When things are not perfect in our eyes,
we murmur and complain.

When we get uncomfortable,
we grumble and doubt.

When our lives or our livelihoods are in danger,
we give up, and we head for home.

**Forgive our doubts and complaining.
Forgive our fears and failing.
Let your life-giving waters pour over us.
Restore our souls. Amen.**

* WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Jesus said, “Those who drink the water I give will never be thirsty again. It becomes a fresh, bubbling spring within them, giving them eternal life.” Drink deeply of Jesus’ living water and be at peace.

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHORAL ANTHEM

Precious Lord, Take My Hand
Thomas A. Dorsey

WORD FOR THE CHILDREN

READING OF THE SCRIPTURES

Mary Chase-Ziolek and Christine Olfelt, Readers

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 17:1-7

New Testament Reading

Romans 5:1-11

* Gospel Reading

John 4:5-42

MESSAGE

Jeff Hunter

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER (Using *sins*)

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Invitation to Generosity

Offertory

Offertory on “Kedron”

Lani Smith

Brian Ward, Organ

* Doxology 48

* Prayer of Dedication

* CLOSING HYMN 218

Come to Calvary’s Holy Mountain

Chosen Child Sponsor Reveal

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Allegro
César Franck

** Please rise, in body or in spirit.*

What a Beautiful Name

Ben Fielding and Brooke Ligertwood



You were the word at the begin - ning: one with God, the Lord Most



High. Your hid-den glori - y in cre-a - tion now re - vealed in You, our



Christ. What a beau-ti-ful name it is, what a beau-ti-ful name it is the name of Je -



sus Christ, my King What a beau-ti-ful name it is, no-thing com-pares to this.



What a beau-ti-ful name it is, the name of Je - sus.



You didn't want hea-ven with-out us, so Je-sus You brought hea-ven down.



My sin was great, Your love was great-er. What could se - par - ate us

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now? What a won-der-ful name it is, what a won-der-ful name it is, the name of Je-
 What a pow-er-ful name it is, what a pow-er-ful name it is, the name of Je-

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- sus Christ, my King. What a won-der-ful name it is. No-thing com-pares to this.
 sus Christ, my King. What a pow-er-ful name it is. No-thing com-pares to this.

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What a won-der-ful name it is, the name of Je - sus, what a won-der-ful name it is,
 What a pow-er-ful name it is, the name of Je - sus, what a pow-er-ful name it is,

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the name of Je - sus.
 the name of Je - sus.

37

Death could not hold You, the veil tore be-fore You. You si-lenced the boast of sin and grave.
 You have no ri - val. You have no e - qual. Now and for - e - ver, God You reign.

41

The hea-vens are roar - ing, the praise of Your glo - ry, for You are raised to life a - gain.
 Yours is the King - dom. Yours is the glo - ry. Yours is the name a - bove all names.

45 *D.S. al Coda*

What a pow-er-ful name it is, the name of Je - sus.

Indescribable

Jesse Reeves and Laura Story



From the high-est of heights to the depths of the sea
Who has told e-very light-ning bolt where it should go



Cre - a - tion's re - veal - ing Your ma - je - sty
Or seen heav - en - ly store - hous - es la - den with snow



From the co - lours of fall to the fra - grance of spring
Who i - mag - ined the sun and gives source to its light



E - very crea - ture u - nique in the song that it sings All ex - claim - ing:
Yet con - ceals it to bring us the cool - ness of night None can fa - thom:



In - de - scrib - a - ble Un - con - tain - a - ble You placed the stars in the sky and You know them by



name. You are a - maz - ing God



All po - wer - ful, un - tame - a - ble, Awe - struck, we fall to our knees as we hum - bly pro -



- claim: You are a - maz - ing God

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In - des - crib - a - ble, un - con - tain - a - ble, You placed the stars in the sky and You know them by

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name. You are a - maz - ing God

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In - comp' - ra - ble, un - change - a - ble You see the depths of my

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heart and You love me the same. You are a - maz - ing God

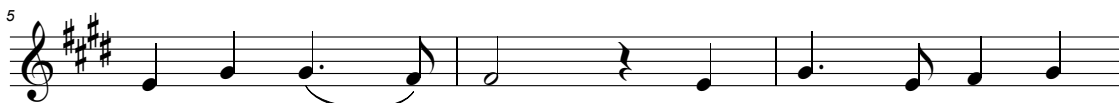
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You are a - maz - ing God

How Deep the Father's Love for Us



1. How deep the Fa - ther's love for us, how vast be -
2. Be - hold the Man u - pon a cross: my guilt u -
3. I will not boast in a - ny thing No gifts, no



yond all mea - sure that He would give His
pon His shoul - ders. A - shamed, I hear my
pow'r's, no wis - dom. But I will boast in



on - ly Son to make a wretch His trea - sure. How
mo - cking voice call out a - mong the scof - fers. It
Je - sus Christ: His death and re - sur - rec - tion. Why



great the pain of sea - ring loss the Fa - ther
was my sin that held Him there un - til it
should I gain from His re - ward? I can - not



turns His face a - way as wounds which mar the cho - sen One
was ac - com - plished. His dy - ing breath has brought me life:
give an an - swer, but this I know with all my heart:



bring ma - ny sons to glo - ry.
I know that it is fi - nished.
His wounds have paid my ran - som.

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow 48

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures

The first system of music consists of a treble and bass staff in G major. The treble staff features a melody of quarter and eighth notes, while the bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes.

here be - low; praise him a - bove ye heav'n - ly host;

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. The treble staff has a melodic line with some dotted rhythms, and the bass staff continues with a steady accompaniment.

praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

The third system concludes the piece. The treble staff ends with a final cadence, and the bass staff provides a solid harmonic base for the concluding phrase.

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1 Come to Cal - v'ry's ho - ly moun - tain, sin - ners ru - ined
 2 Come in pov - er - ty and mean - ness, come de - filed, with -
 3 Come in sor - row and con - tri - tion, wound - ed im - po -
 4 All who drink shall live for - ev - er— 'tis a soul - re -

by the fall; here a pure and heal - ing foun - tain
 out, with - in; from in - fec - tion and un - clean - ness,
 tent, and blind; here the guilt - y free re - mis - sion,
 new - ing flood; God is faith - ful, God will nev - er

flows to you, to me, to all, in a full, per -
 from the lep - ro - sy of sin, wash your robes and
 here the trou - bled peace may find: health this foun - tain
 break his cov - e - nant of blood, signed when our Re -

pet - ual tide, o - pened when our Sav - ior died.
 make them white: you shall walk with God in light.
 will re - store; all who drink shall thirst no more.
 deem - er died, sealed when he was glo - ri - fied.

Welcome to North Park Covenant Church online!

We're glad you're here.

For your prayers this week:

- **Sig Hulburt**, anticipating surgery for a hiatal hernia on Wednesday, March 15
- **the family of Andrés Vásquez Lasso**, CPD officer shot and killed in the line of duty last week
- **June**, a woman with whom Rosemary Slaughter had an altercation last week
- **Bonnie Pfeiffelman and family**, mourning the recent passing of her father
- **Gaius Berg**, requesting prayer for energy and patience as a grandfather and for discernment in rest/work balance in retirement
- Barbara Nordlund's parents, **Sue and Dwight Samuelson**, recuperating after an ablation and preparing for chemo/radiation, respectively
- Millie Lungren's sister, **Margaret**, diagnosed with pancreatic cancer
- **Rosemary Slaughter's great-nephew**, Anthony, age 4, has leukemia and was recently hospitalized
- **Greg Mesimore**, working with doctors to determine the next best steps of care for a recurring benign brain tumor
- **family and friends of Karen Snow**, who passed away February 20
- **Judy Edstrom and family**, mourning the passing of her father, David Wood, on February 14
- Elizabeth Petersen's stepson, **Robert Petersen**, on hospice care
- **Roger Nelson**, on hospice care
- **Gunnel Brunsell**, diagnosed with lymphoma and not seeking treatment

There will be a brief Congregational Meeting immediately following worship on Sunday, March 19. The purpose is to consider the proposed bylaw amendments that were presented at our January 22 Congregational Annual meeting. This meeting will take place in the sanctuary.

RSVP for the Corned Beef & Cabbage Lunch! We hope you can join us next Sunday, March 19, on your calendar! After worship (and a brief congregational meeting) that day, we'll enjoy a corned beef and cabbage meal, complete with Green River soda, prepared for us by Libby and Joel Piotrowski. Please RSVP by Wednesday, March 15, by [using this link](#) or by calling the church office.

Join in an opportunity to sign Easter cards for congregants! In anticipation of Easter, the Board of Deacons will have a couple of tables in the parlors on Sunday, March 19, and Sunday, March 26, containing cards that will accompany flowering plants for those in our congregation who are home-bound. Please consider stopping by and signing your name to these cards.

Praying for Our Neighborhood in 2023

Join us this week,
as we pray for those
in our community
whose first names
start with...





As part of our 125th anniversary celebrations, the planning committee will be hosting two architectural tours of our church building and grounds. Dave and Carol Schlensker will walk you through the history of our lovely facilities, focusing on various building features and stories. Topics will include stories behind our sanctuary's stained glass, as well as understanding the major building additions made in the 1960s and 2000s. The identical tour, will last around 60 minutes, will be offered twice on Sunday March 26, the first starting at noon and the second at 1:30 pm. Availability will be limited to around twenty per tour, so please

register early. Tours will start at the front of the sanctuary. Please register by [filling out this form](#), or by calling Ann-Marie in the church office.

The North Park Readers will meet in the home of Helen Arkema, 5837 N Bernard St., on Tuesday, March 28, at 7 pm. Our book selection is *A Study in Scarlet* by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle. This is the first Sherlock Holmes novel where Mr. Sherlock Holmes is introduced along with John Watson. You are welcome to join in the discussion.

We invite you to join us for an evening Lenten service each week. In addition to our Sunday morning services at 10:30, we will gather for contemplative worship services each Sunday evening in Lent beginning at 6 pm. These 45-minute services will take place in the south chapel. We began on February 26 and will each Sunday evening through March 26. Join us for a time of quiet prayer, music, singing, and communion. Come and worship as we journey to the cross.

The text for today's choral anthem is as follows:

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

Thomas A. Dorsey

Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, help me stand,
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;
through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light.
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When my way grows drear, precious Lord, linger near,
when my life is almost gone;
hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall.
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, help me stand,
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;
through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light.
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

The Church Calendar This Week

The calendar is available online at www.npcovenant.org/calendar and is updated as changes occur.

Monday, March 13

- 9 am Monday Morning Women's Bible Study (Hybrid)
- 10:30 am Staff Meeting (Staff Conference Room)
- 6:30 pm Geezerball (Gym)
- 7:30 pm Centering Prayer (Large Conference Room)

Tuesday, March 14

- 8 am Men's Bible Study (Hybrid)
- 4:30 pm Uniting Voices Chicago Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 6 pm Cudahy Basketball (Gym)
- 7 pm Young Adult Gathering (Staff Conference Room)
- 8 pm George Soccer Practice (Gym)

Wednesday, March 15

- 10 am Women's Bible Study (Hybrid)
- 4 pm Peterson Organ Lesson (Sanctuary)
- 5 pm George Soccer Practice (Gym)
- 6 pm *gather* Dinner (Parlors)
- 7 pm Middle-school Youth Group (Middle-school Youth Room)

Thursday, March 16

- 4:30 pm Uniting Voices Chicago Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 5 pm George Soccer Practice (Gym)
- 8:15 pm Swanson Basketball (Gym)

Friday, March 17

- 1 pm Prayer Gathering (North Room)
- 5 pm NPCCP Game Night (Parlors)

Saturday, March 18

- 8 am Geezerball (Gym)
- 10:30 am Cudahy Basketball (Gym)

Sunday, March 19 - The Fourth Sunday in Lent

- 9 am Confirmation (Large Conference Room)
- 9:15 am Sunday School for Preschool - 6th Grade (Junior Chapel)
- 9:15 am Adult Formation (Parlors)
- 10:30 am Worship (Sanctuary)
- 11:45 am Congregational Meeting (Sanctuary)
- 12 pm Corned Beef & Cabbage Lunch (Parlors - RSVPs Required)
- 12 pm Children's Choir Rehearsal (Junior Chapel)
- 4 pm High-school Youth Group (The Attic Youth Room/Parlors)
- 6 pm Lenten Worship Service (South Chapel)
- 7 pm AA Meeting (Parlors)

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Welcome Statement

We welcome all people to begin or deepen their relationship with Christ through worship and study. We invite all believers to fully participate in the life and ministry of our church as members, leaders, and lay staff. We celebrate the gifts and presence of diverse Christians among us—whether those differences be race, ethnicity, age, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, ability, or socioeconomic status. We are blessed by our diversity and are unified in Christ.

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