

**HEBRON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**Order of Service for the Worship of God**

February 28, 2016

3rd Sunday in Lent

11:00 A.M.

POSTLUDE

Alessio Giacobone

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

UNISON CALL TO WORSHIP

*Seek Ye First*

#713

\*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP ~ Psalm 9: 1-2, 7-11, 18

L: I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart; I will tell of all your wonderful deeds.

**P: I will be glad and exult in you. I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.**

L: The LORD sits enthroned for ever. He has established his throne for judgment; he judges the world with righteousness, and he judges the peoples with equity.

**P: The LORD is a stronghold for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble.**

L: Those who know your name put their trust in you, for you, O LORD, have not forsaken those who seek you. Sing praises to the LORD, who dwells in Zion!

**P: Tell among the peoples his deeds! For the needy shall not always be forgotten, and the hope of the poor shall not perish forever.**

\*UNISON OPENING PRAYER ~ From the PCUSA *Book of Common Worship*

**Almighty and merciful God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – in Christ you make all things new. Transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, so that the renewal of our lives we may show forth your love, and your glory, we pray in Jesus’ name. Amen.**

\*HYMN

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

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CALL TO CONFESSION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION ~ From the Reformed Church in America

**Holy God, in the light of your holiness we see ourselves as we really are, and we are ashamed. We confess that we are people of impure thoughts and unclean lips; we think too highly of ourselves and too little of others. We cling so tightly to the treasures of this world, that we cannot open our hands to receive blessings from above, much less to share with others. Our feet follow the paths of sin; we wander so far astray that we become strangers to righteousness. Forgive us, and set us again on the path that leads to life. We ask this in the name of Jesus that you would not deal with us as we deserve, but according to your mercy; not because we are worthy, but because you are gracious.** *(Silent prayer and personal confession)*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON ~ 1 John 1: 5, 7, 9; 1 John 2: 1e-2

L: This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all.

**P: If we walk in the light, as God is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.**

L: If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

**P: Jesus Christ the righteous is the expiation for our sins; and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.**

L: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

**P: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!**

\*GLORIA PATRI

#813

ANTHEM

*Help Us Accept Each Other*

Chancel Choir

CHILDREN’S LESSON ~ *Children through 5th grade may go to Junior Church afterward*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL LESSON ~ Matthew 6: 1-4, 19-21, 24, 32b-33 ~ Pages 839-840 in the pew Bible

[Jesus said] “Beware of practicing your piety before others in order to be seen by them; for then you will have no reward from your Father who is in heaven. Thus, when you give alms, sound no trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may be praised by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your alms may be in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

“Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume, and thieves break in and steal; but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes, and thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

“No one can serve two masters; for either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon.

“Your heavenly Father knows all things that you need. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these other things shall be yours as well.”

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON ~ 1 John 3: 1-2a, 10-11, 17-18; 4: 20-21

~ Pages 1066-1067 in the pew Bible

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God’s children now... By this it may be seen who are the children of God, and who are the children of the devil: whoever does not do right is not of God, nor are those who do not love their brother or sister. For this is the message which you have heard from the be-

ginning, that we should love one another... But if anyone has the world's goods and sees their brother or sister in need, yet they close their heart against them, how does God's love abide in such people? Little children, let us not love in word or speech, but in deed and in truth.

If anyone says, "I love God," and hates his brother or sister, they are a liar; for whoever does not love their brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. And this commandment we have from him, that whoever loves God must love their brother and sister also.

SERMON "Increased Alms-Giving" Rev. Frank Wyche  
\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed* Inside front cover of Hymnal  
\*HYMN *God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending* Bulletin Insert  
OFFERING AND OFFERTORY  
\*DOXOLOGY #815  
PRAYER OF DEDICATION  
JOYS AND CONCERNS  
MORNING PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (...debts/debtors...)  
\*HYMN *O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus* #352  
\*BENEDICTION  
\*CHORAL RESPONSE *Now Unto Him Who Is Able* Chancel Choir  
POSTLUDE Alessio Giacobone

\*Those who are able may stand.

**BOLDFACE TYPE** indicates words spoken or sung by the congregation.

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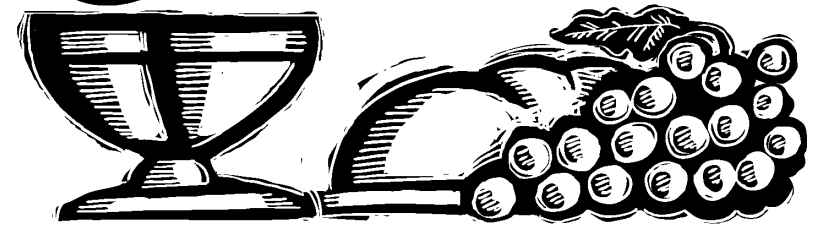
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## SUNDAY

# IN LENT

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