



16 March 2014 – First Sunday in Lent

Announcements

Welcome to worship this morning! Please prepare your hearts in prayer and reflection as we come together. At the WELL we seek to drink deeply and joyously of God's Eternal Word, Jesus Christ.

As One we approach the Throne.

Our Gospel reading is John 3.1-17 and the response after it is read is, "Praise be to thee, O Christ" spoken in unity aloud.

Hymns this morning: Call to Worship – Psalm 121

Opening hymn – #82

Prayer hymn – #454

Closing hymn - #509

Studies this week:

Tuesday – The Ladies of the Well – 10:00am (at 290 Saratoga Dr)

Thursday – Bible Study – 10:30am and 7:00pm

For Lent there are opportunities for prayer, fasting, & almsgiving.

Please email or call the church office if you would like a prayer request placed on the list. Remember our two special collections during Lent - the cardboard churches for the feeding ministry of SOSA and the \$2000 challenge for families in our congregation.

We will be celebrating Passover from a Christian perspective on Maundy Thursday April 17th. Easter Morning (April 20th) a Sunrise Service at 7:00am, a Fellowship Breakfast at 8:00 and a Resurrection Egg Hunt for the kids will be at 9:00am. Worship at 10:00.

Hospice Memorial Service for Roy Winebarger and others, Monday, 17th at 3:30 at Timberlake United Methodist Church.

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Sermon Notes

Giving Up Expectations – John 3.1-17

- Re: How to _____ the Kingdom – vs. 3
- Re: How to _____ the Kingdom – vs. 4-8
- Re: _____ does the Action – vs. 9-15
- Re. Who gets the _____! – vs. 16-17

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A St. Patrick's Day Litany

Pastor: We acknowledge and adore Him and as God in the Trinity of the Holy Name.

Congregation:

I bind unto myself today
the strong Name of the Trinity,
by invocation of the same,
the Three in One, and One in Three.
I bind this day to me for ever,
by power of faith, Christ's Incarnation;
his baptism in Jordan river;
his death on cross for my salvation;
his bursting from the spiced tomb;
his riding up the heavenly way;
his coming at the day of doom:
I bind unto myself today.

I bind unto myself the power
of the great love of cherubim;
the sweet "Well done" in judgment hour;
the service of the seraphim;
confessors' faith, apostles' word,
the patriarchs' prayers, the prophets' scrolls;
all good deeds done unto the Lord,
and purity of virgin souls.

I bind unto myself today
the virtues of the starlit heaven
the glorious sun's life-giving ray,
the whiteness of the moon at even,
the flashing of the lightning free,
the whirling wind's tempestuous shocks,
the stable earth, the deep salt sea,
around the old eternal rocks.
I bind unto myself today

the power of God to hold and lead,
his eye to watch, his might to stay,
his ear to hearken, to my need;
the wisdom of my God to teach,
his hand to guide, his shield to ward;
the word of God to give me speech,
his heavenly host to be my guard.

Christ be with me,
Christ within me,
Christ behind me,
Christ before me,
Christ beside me,
Christ to win me,
Christ to comfort
and restore me.
Christ beneath me,
Christ above me,
Christ in quiet,
Christ in danger,
Christ in hearts of
all that love me,
Christ in mouth of
friend and stranger.

I bind unto myself today
the strong Name of the Trinity,
by invocation of the same,
the Three in One, and One in Three.
Of whom all nature hath creation,
eternal Father, Spirit, Word:
praise to the Lord of my salvation,
salvation is of Christ the Lord.