

March 17, 2024

Rev. Dr. Steve Bailey, Pastor



As a diverse and inclusive faith community, we welcome and support all who desire to worship, study, commune and share life with us: including those of any race, gender, physical or mental ability, sexual orientation, or socioeconomic position, for we believe that in God's house, all are welcome all the time.

SUNDAY WORSHIP

11:00 a.m. | January through May

PRAYER TIME

Weekly Prayer on Tuesdays at 6:00p via Zoom

HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE

What Gift Can We Bring

Unison

1. What gift can we bring, what pres - ent, what to - ken?
 2. Give thanks for the past, for those who had vi - sion,
 3. Give thanks for to - mor - row, full of sur - pris - es,
 4. This gift we now bring, this pres - ent, this to - ken,

What words can con - vey it, the joy of this day?
 who plant - ed and wa - tered so dreams could come true.
 for know - ing what - ev - er to - mor - row may bring,
 these words can con - vey it, the joy of this day!

When grate - ful we come, re - mem - bering, re - joic - ing,
 Give thanks for the now, for stud - y, for wor - ship,
 the Word is our prom - ise al - ways, for - ev - er;
 When grate - ful we come, re - mem - bering, re - joic - ing,

what song can we of - fer in hon - or and praise?
 for mis - sion that bids us turn prayer in - to deed.
 we rest in God's keep - ing and live in God's love.
 this song we now of - fer in hon - or and praise!

WORDS: Jane Marshall, 1980
 MUSIC: Jane Marshall, 1980

ANNIVERSARY SONG
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* Indicates times in the service that the congregation stands, if able.

PRELUDE “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” Gilbert Martin

WELCOME Dr. Steven Bailey, Pastor

* **CALL TO WORSHIP** Tom Janoch, Liturgist

Liturgist: Christ’s love is poured out for us like water poured into a basin.

ALL: Christ’s love washes us clean.

Liturgist: Christ’s love shows us who we are to be, and what we are to do.

ALL: How blessed we are to know such love!

* **OPENING HYMN** “What Gift Can We Bring” UMH 87

* **OPENING PRAYER** (John 13) Liturgist

Liturgist: Loving Christ, on that night long ago, you knew that your hour had come. You knew full well what lay ahead of you.

ALL: Your disciples loved you and followed you, but they had also failed you.

Liturgist: They would fail you yet again that night, and one would betray you.

ALL: Yet you washed their feet, as a servant would, even the feet of your betrayer.

Liturgist: We have also loved you and followed you. We have also failed you, and we cannot comprehend the love that you show us, the love that is our example, the love that tells us to do as you have done for us.

ALL: May we be like you, Master, servants of all.

Liturgist: May all see how we long to be your faithful disciples.

ALL: May all see how we love each other, just as you have loved us. In your holy name we pray. Amen.

**** Please be Seated for the Prayer Hymn ****

PRAYER HYMN “Jesus’ Hands Were Kind Hands” UMH 273

Jesus' Hands Were Kind Hands 273

Unison

1. Je - sus' hands were kind hands, do - ing good to all,
2. Take my hands, Lord Je - sus, let them work for you;

heal - ing pain and sick - ness, bless - ing chil - dren small,
make them strong and gen - tle, kind in all I do.

wash - ing tir - ed feet, and sav - ing those who fall;
Let me watch you, Je - sus, till I'm gen - tle too,

Je - sus' hands were kind hands, do - ing good to all.
till my hands are kind hands, quick to work for you.

WORDS: Margaret Cropper, 1975

MUSIC: Old French melody; harm. by Carlton R. Young, 1988

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PASTORAL PRAYER.....Dr. Bailey

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

We are not alone, we live in God’s world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the church: to celebrate God’s presence, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

MUSIC MINISTRY “Wondrous Love”Richard Walters

J. R. Fralick, soloist

SCRIPTURE READING: John 13:1-17 NIVDr. Bailey

It was just before the Passover Festival. Jesus knew that the hour had come for him to leave this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. The evening meal was in progress, and the devil had already prompted Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot, to betray Jesus. Jesus knew that the Father had put all things under his power, and that he had come from God and was returning to God; so he got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel around his waist. After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples’ feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him. He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, “Lord, are you going to wash my feet?” Jesus replied, “You do not realize now what I am doing, but later you will understand.” “No,” said Peter, “you shall never wash my feet.” Jesus answered, “Unless I wash you, you have no part with me.” “Then, Lord,” Simon Peter replied, “not just my feet but my hands and my head as well!” Jesus answered, “Those who have had a bath need only to wash their feet; their whole body is clean. And you are clean, though not every one of you.” For he knew who was going to betray him, and that was why he said not everyone was clean. When he had finished washing their feet, he put on his clothes and returned to his place. “Do you understand what I have done for you?” he asked them. “You call me ‘Teacher’ and ‘Lord,’ and rightly so, for that is what I am. Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another’s feet. I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you. Very truly I tell you, no servant is greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them.

The Word of God, for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE SERIES: A Closer Walk “*Serving Like Jesus Served*”

GIVING BACK OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO GOD

**** Please complete & place Attendance Sheet in Plate ****

Offertory “*Simple Gifts*” Aaron Copland
J. R. Fralick, soloist

* Doxology “*Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*” Insert
Chalice Hymnal 46

46 Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a treble and bass staff. The key signature has one sharp (F#). The lyrics are: 'Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him,* all creatures here be - low; praise him* a - bove, ye heaven - ly host: Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.'

*Or: God

WORDS: Thomas Ken, 1674
MUSIC: Louis Bourgeois, 1551

OLD HUNDREDTH
LM (altered rhythm)

PRAYER OF DEDICATION Dr. Bailey

We recognize that the greatest gift is the gift of love. May our offerings distribute this love to the world: the small world we inhabit with the suffering people we know; the larger world where the power of love is sorely needed. Amen.

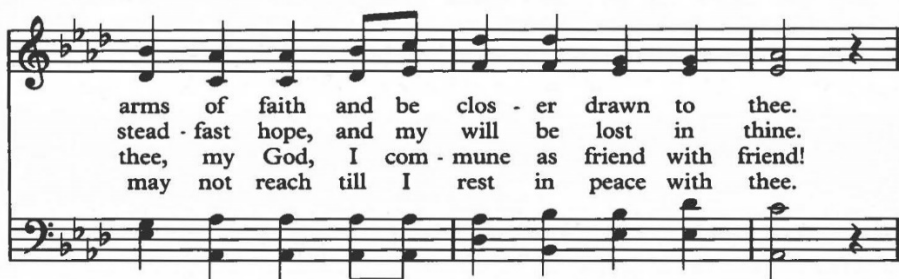
419 I Am Thine, O Lord



1. I am thine, O Lord, I have heard thy voice, and it
 2. Con - se - crate me now to thy ser - vice, Lord, by the
 3. O the pure de - light of a sin - gle hour that be -
 4. There are depths of love that I can - not know till I

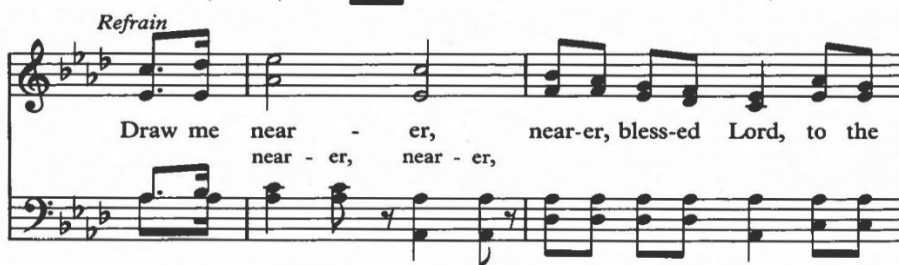


told thy love to me; but I long to rise in the
 power of grace di - vine; let my soul look up with a
 fore thy throne I spend, when I kneel in prayer, and with
 cross the nar - row sea; there are heights of joy that I

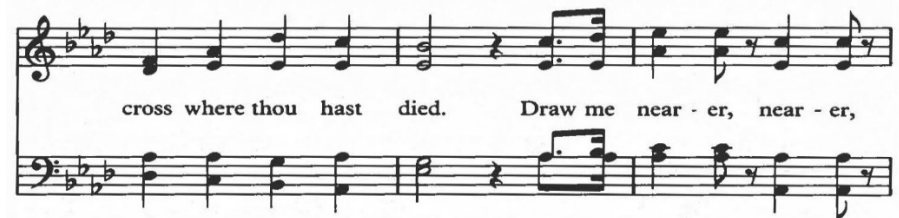


arms of faith and be clos - er drawn to thee.
 stead - fast hope, and my will be lost in thine.
 thee, my God, I com - mune as friend with friend!
 may not reach till I rest in peace with thee.

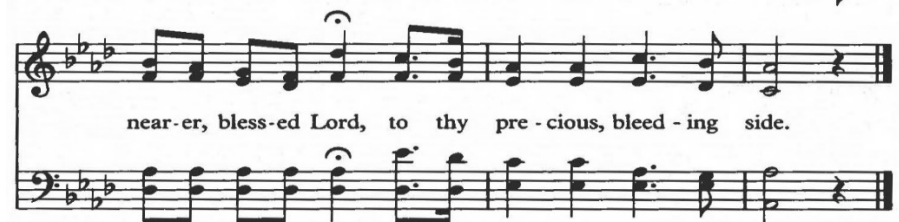
Refrain



Draw me near - er, near - er, bless - ed Lord, to the
 near - er, near - er,



cross where thou hast died. Draw me near - er, near - er,



near - er, bless - ed Lord, to thy pre - cious, bleed - ing side.

WORDS: Fanny J. Crosby, 1875 (Heb. 10:22)
 MUSIC: William H. Doane, 1875

I AM THINE
 10 7.10 7 with Refrain

* **BENEDICTION**Dr. Bailey

**** Please be Seated for the Postlude ****

POSTLUDE*"In the Cross of Christ I Glory"*Seth Bingham

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS & RESOURCES:

- **Liturgist:** for today is Thomas "Tom" Janoch.
- **Music Ministry:** Lloyd "Max" Bunker, Director of Music
 - **Organist/Accompanist:** Robert "Bob" Moncrief
 - **Cantor:** Jennifer Bier
 - **Guest Artist:** J. R. Fralick
- **Tech Ministry:** Jeff Adamson, Audio | Ina Keys-Harris, Video
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EXPRESSIONS OF CARE

PRAY ONE FOR THE OTHER | Please pray for and keep in contact with our homebound and remote members ...

Dorothy Adams
David Cabbil
Frances Chappell
Ed Dixon
David Fletcher

George & Mary Forbes
Maxine Greer
Willa Hunter
Doris Jeffries
Ed & Terri Leonard

Cindy Martinez
Christa Oksiloff
Chaplain Bea Thompson
James & Barbara Williams

SERVICE ARRANGEMENTS for H. TURNER-THOMPSON | Public Viewing on Friday, March 22 from 4:00p to 8:00p at Calhoun Funeral Home (23000 Rockside Road, Bedford Heights, OH 44146 | 440-232-9758). Funeral Service on Saturday, March 23 with a 10:00a Wake and 11:00a Celebration Service at Greater Abyssinia Baptist Church (1161 East 105th Street, Cleveland, OH 44108 | 216-795-1842 | <https://www.gabccleveland.org>).

ANNOUNCEMENTS and / or REMINDERS

PLANT ORDERS | Just a friendly reminder that the deadline to order a plant for Easter Sunday is TODAY, March 17. Order forms are located on the Cross Aisle.

CHURCH OFFICE HOLIDAY SCHEDULE | The Church Office will not have administrative support on March 25-27, Executive Director will be on vacation ... returning Monday, April 1.

LITURGIST SCHEDULE | THANK YOU!!! If there are any changes, to the below schedule, please call the Church Office.

March 31 ... The Bier Family
April ... The Howards

May ... **TBD**
June ... Chaplain Bea Thompson

LOOKING AHEAD ... Sunday, March 24

Lent Series: **A Closer Walk**
Message: **Welcoming His Presence**
Scripture: **Mark 11:1-11**
Activity: **The Bier Family, Liturgist**
Special Music
Palm Sunday

Join us for Worship ... Fall-Winter
SUNDAY

at **11:00am**

Facebook Live or
Dial **(253) 215-8782**
Zoom ID **853 0953 8368**
PassCode **591396**



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WAYS TO GIVE TO



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and select
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Every TUES 6:00p ... Prayer in the Circle | Zoom ID 736 123 918
Dial (253) 215-8782 or <https://zoom.us/j/736123918>

Every SUN 9:45a to 10:50a ... Adult Bible Study | Parlor
** LENT SERIES BEGINS TODAY, FEB 11 **

11:00a ... Worship Service | Sanctuary & On-Line
(Facebook | Dial (253) 215-8782 enter Zoom ID 853 0953 8368 with
PassCode 591396 | <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85309538368>)

WED, March 20..... 6:00p to 7:00p ... UC Police Community Safety Talk | Great Hall

SAT, March 23..... 9:30a to 12:00p ... Volunteer Custodians

SUN, March 24 Palm Sunday

SUN, March 31 Easter

MON, April 1 Church Office & Building Closed ... Easter/Resurrection Monday

SAT, April 6 12:00p ... Choir Rehearsal

SAT, April 13 9:30a to 12:00p ... Volunteer Custodians
12:00p ... Choir Rehearsal

CHURCH CONTACTS

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CHURCH AFFILIATIONS | Please visit web-site for additional information

UPCaM Ministries..... www.upcam.org
Rev. Shelley Nelson-Bridger, Executive Director

*For more information about opportunities to become involved,
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