March 5, 2023



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"Born Again, and Again, and Again"

Psalm 121 John 3:1-8

Gathered at Federated Church: 76 Bell Street, Chagrin Falls, OH 44022

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March 5, 2023 Second Sunday of Lent 10 AM

Chimes indicate the service is starting, and silence is appreciated to prepare for worship.

PreludeI Want to Walk as a Child of the Light (W. Wold)
Marcia Snavely, organ

Welcome and Announcements Zoe LeFeber

Introit Shine Jesus Shine (Graham Kendrick) Federated Choir;

Marcia Snavely, piano

* Call to Worship (responsive)

Cortland Miller

One: Jesus said, "Let the children come to me!"

All: And so we do. We are all beloved children of God.

One: Jesus said, "Do not stop them!"

All: And so we go. We are all called to love.

One: Jesus said, "For it is to them that the kingdom of God belongs!"

All: And so we say: Thanks be to God.

* Passing of Christ's Peace

* **Hymn** Jesus Loves Me! No. 113

Opening Prayer (unison)

Madison Graves

In this time of worship, let us focus on you, O God, as a priority in our lives.

Remind us of your wise commands which guide us to lives of peace and joy.

Remind us of your never-ending love to give us the strength to love in return.

Thank you for sending Jesus, who teaches us how to follow you.

Show us something new, this day, as we worship together, O God.

Because of you we wish to continue to grow in peace, joy and love.

We pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen.

Invitation to Generosity

Anna Hively and Mia Kwon

' Those who are able stand

**** Worshipers may be seated

Anthem Witness (Jack Halloran)

Federated Choir; Marcia Snavely, piano

* Doxology No. 48

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all creatures here below; Praise Holy Spirit evermore;

One God triune, whom we adore. Amen.

Prayer of Blessing Rev. Betsy Wooster

WITH Prayers of Thanksgiving Morgan Graves;

Abigail Goodman, artwork

* **Hymn** Tell Me the Stories of Jesus No. 190

Scripture Reading Psalm 121 Beckett Buescher;

Charlotte McMullen, artwork

Scripture Reading John 3:1-8 Georgia LeFeber;

Paul Wright, artwork

Sermon Kristin LeFeber

* Communion Hymn / Come with Joy (Verses 1, 3) No. 420

Recognizing New CommunicantsKristin LeFeber

Communion Rev. Wooster; Phoebe Mignogna;

Noah Goodman; Reese Arnold

Communion Music Serenade (Jos. Hadyn) Zoe LeFeber, flute

Lord's Prayer Will McMullen

Our God in heaven,

Your name is pretty great.

You will transform the world in your image.

Bless this day and our daily bread.

Let go of our sins and help us do the same for people who sin against us.

Keep us from being selfish.

Guide us from wrongdoing and let us see good.

For you are powerful, glorious and forgiving always. Amen.

* **Hymn** This Little Light of Mine [see words on screen]

* Benediction Rev. Wooster

Postlude

Siyahamba (We are Marching in the Light of God) (R. B. Farlee)

Marcia Snavely, organ

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~ Departing to Service ~



Artwork: Hadley Miller

UPCOMING WORSHIP

Sunday, March 12th, 10 AM Third Sunday of Lent

Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton preaches "Turning to God in Our Testing and Doubt" Exodus 17:1-7