March 26, 2023



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"Turning to God in Our Lethargy and Despair"

Ezekiel 37:1-14

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

Also streaming live at YouTube.com/TheFederatedChurch



March 19, 2023 Fifth Sunday of Lent 10 AM

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

Prelude Still Rolling Stones (Lauren Daigle) RISE to Shine Band

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Betsy Wooster

Introit Alive and Breathing (Matt Maher) RISE to Shine Band

* Call to Worship (responsive)

Peggie Jo Shinagawa

One: God calls us from the valley of dry bones. Come, listen for a word from God.

All: We hear God calling us in a far distant voice. We had nearly forgotten God's care for us.

One: The Spirit breathes life into our dry bones. God offers hope when we have lost our way.

All: Our souls wait for the refreshment God offers. Our spirits are filled with great expectation.

One: Christ came as a light to all the world.

Christ comes among us today to light our way.

All: We hear the teacher calling for us.

Christ unbinds us that we may see and trust.

Passing of Christ's Peace

* **Hymn** O Breath of Life No. 250

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Rev. Judy Bagley-Bonner

Out of the depths we cry to you, O God. Hear our prayers, the confession of our neglect, the admission of our desire to rule in your place. Like the house of Israel in Ezekiel's time, we are cut off from communion with you. We are like dead people, going through the motions of living. We cry out for forgiveness and a new start. We long to know you and to live in reverence before you. By your steadfast love, redeem us from our iniquities and raise us up to serve you, in Jesus' name. Amen.

* Those who are able stand

**** Worshipers may be seated

Sung Response Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us (2x)

No. 300

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Words of Assurance

Rev. Bagley-Bonner

Faith Witness Peggie Jo Shinagawa

Invitation to Generosity Rev. Bagley-Bonner

Anthem Come Alive (Dry Bones) (Lauren Daigle) RISE to Shine Band

Doxology (TALLIS' CANON)

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.

* 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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.

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Fellowship of Prayer Rev. Bagley-Bonner

* **Hymn** Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song No. 245

Scripture Ezekiel 37:1-14 Peggie Jo Shinagawa

Sermon Rev. Wooster

* **Hymn** Every Time I Feel the Spirit No. 592



* Benediction Rev. Wooster

Postlude

Miracle in the Works (Bryan and Katie Torwalt)

RISE to Shine Band

~ Departing to Service ~



UPCOMING WORSHIP

Sunday, April 2nd, 10 AM Palm/Passion Sunday

Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton preaches "Turning to God in Forsakenness and Death" Matthew 27:11-54