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Psalm 46

Pastor Vicki McGaw

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Fifth Sunday of Lent

10 AM

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

Centering Music Calvary (Spiritual arr. R. Billingham) Marcia Snavely, organ

Evoking the Mystery *Come and Rest* (Bell/McFee)

Sung: **Come and rest; Come and listen**

Lay the fullness of your lives before the Maker

Sung: **Come and rest; Come and listen**

There's a wisdom deep within that calls us closer

Silent Pause

Introit *Thy Word Is a Light* (Haydn Morgan) Federated Choir;
Marcia Snavely, organ

Examen (responsive) Rev. Betsy Wooster

One: For that which, before, I thought was right . . .

All: Have mercy, God.

One: For that which, now, I regret . . .

All: Forgive me, God.

One: For that which, hence, I know not what to do . . .

All: Guide me, God.

One: Come and rest, come and listen. Know that grace, forgiveness and guidance are available to you at each and every moment that we turn to receive them.

All: Thanks be to God.

* **Hymn** *Be Still My Soul* No. 566

Sacrament of Baptism Pastor McGaw, Rev. Jill Harkins Goodman, and Rev. Wooster
We promise to walk with these children, to share with them our experience of faith and ask that they share theirs with us. We pledge to encircle them with love and to be a source of support and strength to them and their parents, as the Spirit guides. Amen.

* Those who are able stand

Message for the Young at Heart

Pastor McGaw

* Passing of Christ's Peace

(Children K-5 leave for Sunday School)

Hymn

Kyrie Eleison

No. 298

Seeking God's Word

Psalm 46

Rev. Wooster

Anthem

Psalm 46 (Christopher Aspaas)

Federated Choir;
Marcia Snavelly, organ

Homily

Pastor McGaw

Hymn of Response

Wonderful Words of Life

No. 323

Appointment with God/ Invitation to Communion

Pastor McGaw

Sung: **Meet me here; find me in my wanderings**

Meet me here; deep within my soul

Communion Prayer

Rev. Wooster

One: God be with you!

All: And also with you!

One: Lift up your hearts!

All: We lift them up to the Lord!

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God!

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise!

One: You created us, breathing your breath and Spirit into our bodies. You love us, embracing us even when we turn away. You renew us, calling us to listen to your voice in all of creation.

Sung: **You are God! Holy, righteous, always near.**

You are God! Blessed are you here.

One: Wanting to whisper from your mouth to our ears, you came in human form. You not only spoke words of liberation and love but you also listened to the least among us.



This Sanctuary is equipped with a **Hearing Loop system** that works with all **Telecoil-equipped hearing aids** to amplify sound with excellent clarity.

All: And so as your church, we turn our listening to you and follow by listening to others and responding with care.

One: We remember that last night at the table with the disciples and remember what you invited them to do:

Sung: **When you meet, take the bread that is my life
Broken now; feed the hungry world
Gather near, take the cup that is my love
Poured out now for a thirsty world**

One: And so we offer ourselves to continuing your work in the world. As your body, we proclaim:

All: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again with every act of justice, mercy and grace in your name.

One: So pour out your Spirit upon us and on these gifts of bread and cup, uniting us as your people, being your hands and feet, being your love in the world. Meet us here, O God, deep within our souls.

Sung: **Meet me here; find me in my wanderings
Meet me here; deep within my soul**

Closing Prayer and Lord's Prayer (unison) Rev. Wooster

Announcements Pastor McGaw

* **Closing Hymn** *Guide Me, O My Great Redeemer* [words on screen]

* **Commissioning and Benediction** Pastor McGaw

Postlude *Hyfrydol* (Arr. P. Stearns) Marcia Snavely, organ

~ **Departing to Service** ~

UPCOMING WORSHIP

Sunday, April 13th, 10 AM
Passover Sunday
Pastor Vicki McGaw preaches