

**REACH OUT IN CHRIST
FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

MARCH 27, 2022

10:00 AM

Prelude “Arioso” Bach

Welcome

Hymn “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” #140

Call to Worship:

L: Come, let us celebrate the forgiving, reconciling love of God.

P: For once we were lost and felt so far away; now we have been found and welcomed home.

L: Know that God’s love is lavished upon you forever.

P: We rejoice at the news of forgiveness and hope!

L: Come, let us celebrate and praise the God of Love.

P: AMEN!

A Time of Prayer

Anthem Choir: “The Potter’s Hand” Zscheck

Scripture 2 Corinthians 5:11-21

Sermon “There is New Creation” Pastor John

Hymn “Love Divine” #384:1,2

Benediction

Alleluia

Postlude “Trumpet Tune” Purcell

CIRCLE OF PRAYER—Maytum family, Sandra Buck, Douglas Pike, Larry Thompson, Kittie Brown, Charlie Monroe, Brenda and Mike Smeby, Sergei Barth, Jack Eckardt, Murphy Mullens, Tom Hannon, George Kranz, Lettie Witt, Terry Polen, Rod and Michelle Bailey, Jessica Strande, Cheryl Chmura, Susan Granner, Kay Cooper, Fiona Kishundyal, Marv Hiuser, Rita Harned, Cindy Lucas and family, Marilyn and Ron Lovell, Potter family.

***BIBLE STUDY**— Lent Study, Wednesday 3/30, 10:30am.

***WORSHIP COMMITTEE**— We are blessed to have an official active Worship Committee again! If you are interested in helping with this important ministry, please contact Pat McDowell at 727-534-7229.

*** CRAFT GROUP**—meets Mondays 12:30-3pm in upstairs Craft Room.

***CHOIR**—Rehearsal on the 1st Wednesday of the month 6-7:30pm and practice before Sunday worships.

***SANCTUARY IS OPEN**—But we are not back to normal yet due to the continuation of the COVID19 pandemic. **We need to be vigilant especially because of the new virus variants. Masks are encouraged and recommended if you are unvaccinated. Please get your vaccination to minimize the possibility of getting infected or infecting others.** Sitting will be in every other pew for the time being. Don’t come if you are feeling sick. Thanks for your cooperation!

Scripture: 2 Corinthians 5:11-21

[11] Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we persuade men; but what we are is known to God, and I hope it is known also to your conscience. [12] We are not commending ourselves to you again but giving you cause to be proud of us, so that you may be able to answer those who pride themselves on a man's position and not on his heart. [13] For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. [14] For the love of Christ controls us, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. [15] And he died for all, that those who live might live no longer for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised. [16] From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once regarded Christ from a human point of view, we regard him thus no longer. [17] Therefore, if any one is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has passed away, behold, the new has come. [18] All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; [19] that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. [20] So we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We beseech you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. [21] For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

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