Worship on the Third Sunday in Lent March 3, 2024

The Rev. Dr. Rosanna Anderson, Designated Term Pastor Diane Dawson Dexter, Organist

Prelude	"To Walk in Faith"	David Paxton
Welcome and Announcements		Dr. Anderson
Call to Worship		(Psalm 19:)
The heavens are	telling the glory of God;	
and the firmame	nt proclaims God's handiwo	ork.
Day to day pours forth speech,		
and night to night	nt declares knowledge.	
There is no speed	ch, nor are there words;	
their voice is not	heard.	
Yet their testimon	y goes out through all the eart	h,
and their proclar	nation to the end of the worl	ld.

Prayer of the Day

O God, the fountain of life, to a humanity parched with thirst you offer the living water of grace which springs up from the rock, our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant us the gift of your Spirit, that we may learn to profess our faith with courage and announce with joy the wonder of your love. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Hymn 139 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been. By your Spirit, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. We pray through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testame	nt Exodus 20:1-17
New Testame	ent John 2:13-22
Sermon	Dr. Rosanna Anderson
Offertory	"Our Parents, by Whose Name" John David Edwards

Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

Gracious God, you revealed your love for the world in Jesus' self-offering on the cross. It is a mystery: the sinless One died to save guilty humankind. We are grateful that you speak by your Word and Spirit to help us receive this gift. May we live with a deeper understanding of true wisdom. Use our gifts so that those who are weak in the world will be made strong through our church's ministries. We pray in the name of Christ. Amen.

Invitation to the Lord's Supper

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give God thanks and praise.

(*Prayer continues.*) ... Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with the choirs of angels, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and

with all the faithful of every time and place who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

... Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Prayers of the Church and the Lord's Prayer (trespasses)

Sharing of the Elements and Prayer After Communion

Hymn 618 "Let Us Break Bread Together"	
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Benediction Dr. Anderson

Postlude"Study No. 3"Steven Heller

Church Calendar

Wednesday, March 6 *Living into Lent* Group (Chapter 4) 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. in the Parlor and online

Friday, March 8 Pizza and Games Night 5:00 – 6:30 p.m. for people of all ages in Fellowship Hall

Sunday, March 10 Dr. Clifford Anderson, Guest Preacher 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. at Union Chapel and online

Fishers Island Union Chapel The Rev. Dr. Rosanna Anderson, Designated Term Pastor Becky Walters, Administrative Assistant Laura Chapman, Sexton *"Whoever you are and wherever you are on your faith journey, you are welcome here."*



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