Setauket Presbyterian Church

Second Sunday in Lent February 28, 2021 (online)

Gathering Music

Welcome

Call to Worship

Jesus says, "I am the Way for you."

And so we come to follow Christ.

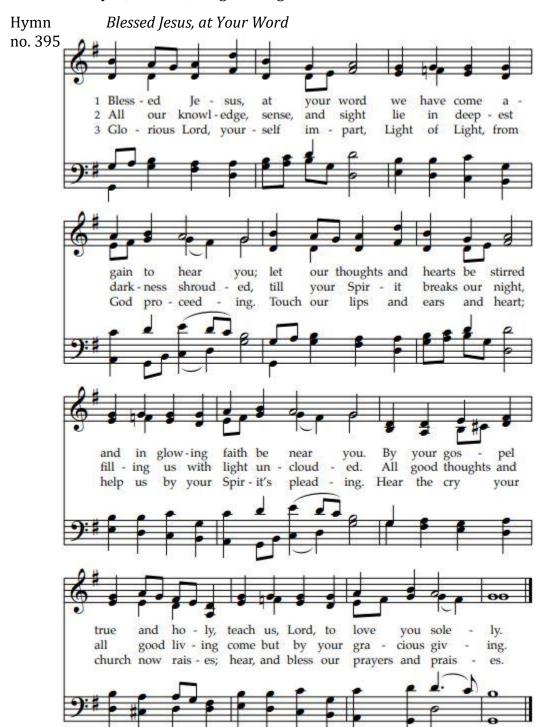
Jesus says, "I am the Truth for you."

And so we come to dwell in the light.

Jesus says, "I am the Life for you."

And so we come, leaving behind all else to which we cling.

Thanks be to you, O Christ, for gathering us in.



Prayer of Confession

Listening God, take what is closed in us and open it.

Take what is distracted in us and settle it.

Take what is hurting in us and hold it.

Take any and all parts of us that create distance from you.

For we are like Peter, O God.

We argue what we don't know. We fear what we cannot see.

We almost always speak sooner than we listen.

So open us, settle us, hold us, and forgive us.

We long to hear you more clearly.

We long to know you more fully.

With hope we pray,

And with gratitude we confess.

(a time of silence for personal confession) Amen.

Assurance of God's Grace

Siblings in Christ, we confess with gratitude because we know that God already has heard and forgiven us. No matter what we have done or left undone, we are held in God's hand. So rest in this good news:

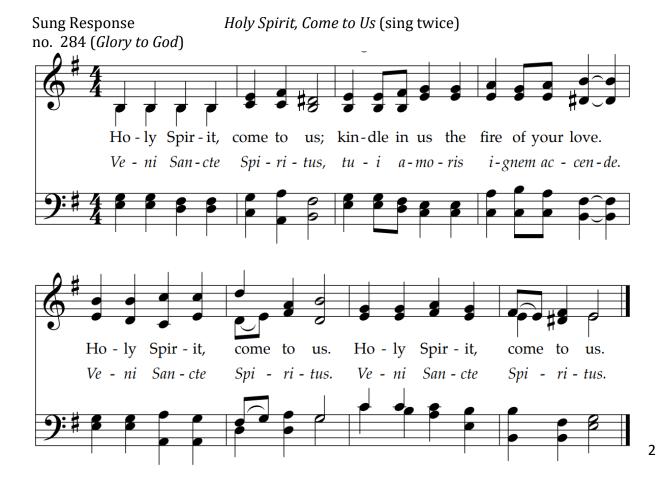
God invites us in.

God meets us where we are.

God hears our prayers.

God forgives us.

Thanks be to God for a love like that.



Prayer for Illumination

Creator God, once again, we come to you with bowed heads and hopeful hearts, asking that you would lend us your ears. Help us to hear as you hear, so that we can live as you lived. We are listening. Amen.

Scripture Readings Psalm 22:23-31 Mark 8:31-9:1

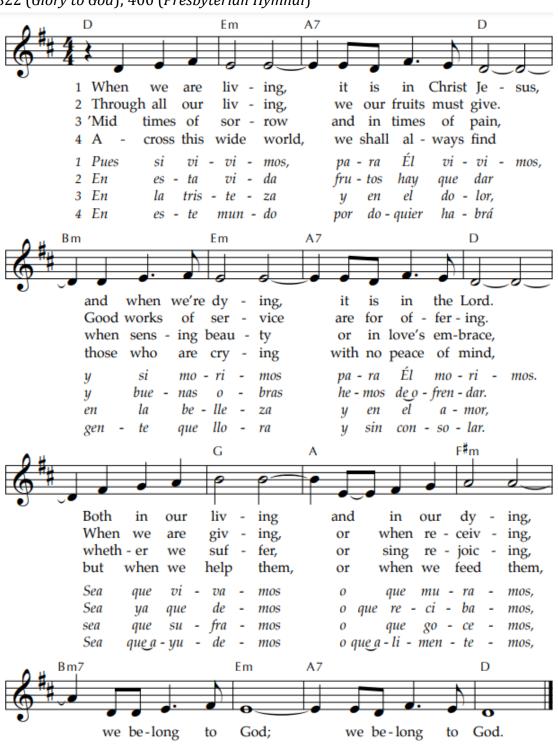
Reflection

The Rev. Kate Jones Calone

Hymn When We Are Living no. 822 (Glory to God); 400 (Presbyterian Hymnal)

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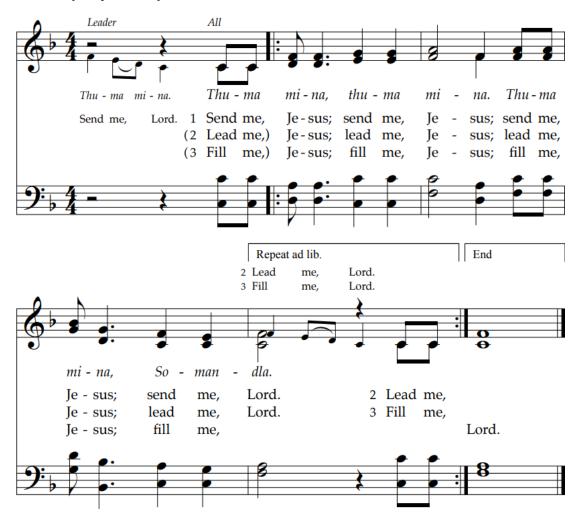
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Offering

Prayer of Thanksgiving, Dedication, and Intercession, and the Lord's Prayer

Hymn Send Me, Jesus no. 746 (Glory to God)



Benediction

Jesus said, "I am with you always."

May the Creator bless you.

May God the Son walk with you.

May God the Spirit lead your lives with love.

Amen.

Passing of the Peace

Either online or in person, please share with one another expressions of Christ's peace.

Postlude

Worship items adapted from *A Sanctified Art* and *The Iona Community*.