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River of Grace by Lisle Gwynn Garrity, Acrylic painting on canvas with digital drawing



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The Lenten Theme

This Lent, we are focusing on the life and faith of one of Jesus' disciples, Peter. In Peter, we see a person who is both steadfast and unsteady, a friend and a betrayer, a follower and a wanderer. As we read the faith journey of Peter, we often see ourselves. Peter has a wandering heart. His journey is not polished, or linear, or perfect, but he is always tethered to the love of God. In this series, we want to affirm that faith is a constant journey of steadfast pursuit, one that ebbs and flows. We want to affirm the ways Peter keeps going: He drops his nets, he walks on water, he runs to the empty tomb, he swims to the shore to meet the risen Christ. He keeps searching and yearning and loving, even after missteps or mistakes. Ultimately, in Peter's story, we are reminded that God loves imperfect people...just like us.

**Please stand in body or in spirit.*

The Greeting of Worshipers

Dr. Kevin Gardner-Sinclair

The Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

The Chiming

Jonathan Oblander

The Processional of Cross and Light

Foster Davis and Lucy Lester

The Prelude

Jonathan Oblander

Fantasia in C: Poco Lento, Cesar Franck

The Call to Worship

Lucy Lester

For generations people have read the Psalms in worship.

For generations people have whispered The Lord's Prayer.

For generations people have gathered in these pews to seek God in their midst.

So once again, just as the generations before us, we gather to worship God.

Holy God, still our busy minds and open our hearts, **so that we might find God in the expected and unexpected places of worship this day. Amen.**

***The Hymn**

Congregation

Brethren, We Have Met to Worship, No. 802

The Call to Confession

Alissa Vance

There is a moment in our scripture for today when Jesus turns to Peter, named the *rock of the church*, and says, "Get behind me, Satan!" This reminds us that even Peter, who was given the keys to *heaven*, made mistakes just like you and me. And yet, Jesus still chose him!

The Unison Prayer of Confession

Alissa Vance

We often find ourselves moving through a world that does not make sense. Like Peter, we want to yell out, "This should not happen!" We want to control scenarios beyond our reach. We want to hold the world to our standards. Forgive us, O God, for the moments when we lead with declarations instead of curiosity. Forgive us for speaking when we should listen more intently. Soften our hard edges and teach us how to listen. With hope in our hearts we pray. Amen.

The Choral Response

Chancel Choir

Meditation for Lent, arr. Michael Bedford

There is a green hill far away, outside a city wall, where our dear Lord was crucified, who died to save us all. O dearly, dearly, has he loved! And we must love him too, and trust in his redeeming love, and try to do his will. Ah holy Jesus, how have you offended, that we to judge you have in hate pretended? By foes derided, by your own rejected, O most afflicted.

The Words of Forgiveness

Alissa Vance

Friends, nothing can separate us from God's love, not even a stubborn attitude or a tense heart. So, hear and believe the good news of the gospel. God's love for us will always be deeper than we can ever imagine or comprehend. We are seen. We are loved, and we are forgiven, thanks be to God!

***The Hymn**

Congregation

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy, No. 486

(Children, ages pre-K to 5th grade, will leave for their time of worship and exit through the door located to the left of the pulpit.)

***The Gospel Lesson**

Matthew 16:21-23, p. 14

Dr. Kevin Gardner-Sinclair

The Sermon

Wandering Heart: Bind My Wandering Heart to Thee

Dr. Kevin Gardner-Sinclair

***The Hymn**

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy, No. 451

Congregation

***The Offertory Prayer**

Ryder MacLaren

The Offertory

Fantasie in C: Adagio, Cesar Franck

Jonathan Oblander

***The Congregational Response**

Come, thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above; praise his name- I'm fixed upon it - name of God's redeeming love.

Congregation

***The Spoken Benediction**

Dr. Kevin Gardner-Sinclair

***The Postlude**

How Fair and Pleasant Art Thou, Marcel Dupré

Jonathan Oblander

The flowers in the Sanctuary this morning are given to the glory of God
in memory of William H. Dohrman by his family.

Prayer Concerns:

Gary Miller, son of Barbara Miller, health concerns; Lee Sallee, father of Susan Gammon, health concerns; David Nightingale, health concerns; Claudia Smith, aunt of Zack Sparks, health concerns; James Sparks, uncle of Zack Sparks, health concerns; Edna Bielefeld, hospice care; Julie Ashmore, daughter of Lou Ann Twyman, health concerns; Esther Adeniran, health concerns

Looking Ahead

March 10	Louisville Youth Orchestra Concert, 4 p.m.
March 12	Lifetimers Game Day, 11 a.m.
March 19	Prayer Time in the Prayer Garden, noon
March 23	Easter Egg Hunt, 10 a.m.
March 28	Maundy Thursday Dinner and Service, 5:30 p.m.
March 31	Easter
April 13	WOM Spring Luncheon
April 21	BAA Recital & Gallery
July 22-26	Creative Arts Camp

Louisville Youth Orchestra Concert

Join Serenade Orchestra, Concert Orchestra and all Horizons Ensembles as they present their Spring Concert on March 10, 4 p.m. at Broadway Arts Academy. The concert is \$10 General Admission. Get your tickets at www.lyo.org!

LifeTimers Game Day

Tuesday, March 12 at 11 a.m. in Friendship Hall

Come join the domino table or Hand and Foot Canasta table.

Bring a snack or lunch for our fellowship time before the games begin.

Prayer Time in the Prayer Garden

March to May at noon on the third Tuesday of each month we will have a prayer time in the prayer garden. All ages welcome! You're also welcome to bring a chair, a lunch or snack, and an open heart as we join together in a time of reflection and sharing prayer concerns and praises together. Our time of reflection and prayer will last about 30 minutes and then you are welcome to take as much time as you'd like to enjoy the beauty of God's creation! In case of bad weather, check in at the office for our indoor location. The dates will be: March 19, April 16, May 21.

Broadway Arts Academy

Spring Group Classes began on March 4! We offer the following group classes: Acrylic Painting, American Foxtrot Dance, Oil Painting, and Watercolor Painting. It's not too late to join the fun! Register today at broadwayartsacademy.org.

Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, March 23rd, 10 – 11:30 a.m. Broadway Baptist Church, 4000 Brownsboro Road. Free coffee & donuts; bounce house and games for the kids; four age-specific hunting areas, hundreds of eggs to be found. Rain or shine!

WOM Spring Luncheon


Spring Luncheon time is here. The Women on Mission event will be on Saturday, April 13 in Friendship Hall. Doors open at 10 a.m. for table-viewing and the program begins at 11 a.m. All Broadway women are invited to attend. Tickets are \$30 per person. Total table cost is \$240. Please note the new price. With increased costs and our desire to continue to give generously to selected mission projects, it is necessary to increase the ticket amount. If you are creative or you enjoy setting a beautiful table, then let us know that you will decorate and host a table.


We are happy to announce that Gracious Plenty will be catering our salad lunch. If you would like to attend the Women on Mission Spring Luncheon contact Donna Williams at (502) 774-0515(call or text).

WOM Spring Luncheon Silent Auction

Now accepting donations for the Women on Mission Spring Luncheon Silent Auction. Contact Connie Rogers at (502) 592-9392 or cgordonrogers@aol.com.

Lenten Crosses

 **LATIN CROSS:** Most common of all crosses. This symbolizes the supreme sacrifices offered by Jesus on the cross for all humanity. Also emphasizes New Testament teachings.

 **ST. GILBERT CROSS:** The St. Gilbert/Portate Cross. From the day he was born, St. Gilbert suffered from a deformed spine. He became a priest at the age of 40 and ministered among the poor. Another name for the St. Gilbert Cross is the Portate Cross. Portate is from the Latin portare 'to carry.' Thus, reminding us of the cross carried by Jesus prior to his Crucifixion.



CALVARY CROSS – the three steps leading up to this graded Latin cross represent the hill of Calvary. In addition, God's three gifts of faith, hope and love.



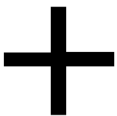
ANCHOR CROSS: This is used to symbolize the Christian's hope, which is anchored in Christ. Also, known as the mariner's cross. It is a life saver. It serves as a navigation through the journey of faith.



CELTIC CROSS: ancient Celtic culture highly influenced by art. The circle represents eternity or the circle of community.



JERUSALEM CROSS: Christ's command to spread the gospel to the four corners of the earth. Also represents the four gospel writers with Christ in the center.



GREEK CROSS: Usually suggests the Christian church rather than a symbol of Christ's suffering. It appears as a 'plus sign' in liturgical documents to indicate where the priest should make the Sign of the Cross. Another and equally famous variation of the Greek cross is the emblem of the Red Cross. More than one hundred years ago, the International Red Cross was founded to aid those wounded in battle. The objective of the Red Cross emblem was to have a unified distinctive sign that would be respected internationally.



TAU CROSS: The tau is the sign used by St. Francis to wish peace to all he met. It looks like a T. In the Old Testament, it is the last letter of the Hebrew alphabet. For Christians, the T came to represent the cross of Christ as being the fulfillment of the Old Testament. Today, followers of St. Francis - laity or religious - wear the tau cross as an exterior sign, a seal of their own commitment to exemplify God's love and continue the ministry of Christ.

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