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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 Passing of the Peace

Rev. Dr. Kevin Gardner-Sinclair

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

The Greeting of Worshipers

Rev. Dr. Kevin Gardner-Sinclair

The Chiming

Chimes

The Processional of Cross and Light

Sawyer Sparks and Anniston Spencer

The Prelude

Chancel Choir and Jonathan Oblander

A Mighty Fortress is Our God, arr. Kyle Pederson

Ken Lundberg, Guitar

A Mighty Fortress is our God, a refuge never failing. Our helper He amid the flood of mortal winds prevailing. For still our spirit's foes doth seek to work us woe;

They lure with pow'r so great, with judgment and with hate; Shield us e'er, guard us as Thy own. If we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing. Were not the right Man on our side, the Man of God's own choosing. You ask who this may be? Christ Jesus it is He. Emmanuel His name, from age to age the same; Who was, Who is, Who e'er shall be. Thy Word above all earthly pow'r; Thy Love above all earthly pow'r; Thy Hope above all earthly pow'r; My God above all earthly pow'r. Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also; The body they may kill, God's truth abideth still. The Kingdom is forever.

The Call to Worship

Robin Riddle

One: Teaching God, we want to learn your ways.

Many: We want to learn the various ways to praise you.

One: Teach us the art of forgiveness.

Many: We want to learn how to extend grace.

One: Teach us how to love others as ourselves.

Many: We want to listen to your Word as expressed through word and silence.

One: Calm our minds and center our spirits so that we might learn what your Spirit reveals to us this day. Amen.

***The Hymn**

Congregation

Praise the Lord! O Heavens, Adore Him, No. 17

The Call to Confession

Rev. Susan Reed

Friends, when we study Peter's story in scripture it's almost impossible to ignore how much he loves to ask questions: What does this parable mean? Where are you going? How many times do we forgive? So, let us turn to Christ with the humility of a student as we pray together the prayer of confession.

The Unison Prayer of Confession

Rev. Susan Reed

Holy God, we long to be lifelong learners. Yet, we don't always like the answers we receive. We often forget that the disciples called you "Rabbi, Teacher." Forgive us for the times when we fail to be curious. Forgive us for the times when we assume we know best. Forgive us for the moments when we imagine that our learning is done and that we have all the answers. Spark a desire in us to learn and may our curiosity carry our faith into deeper waters, with hope and humility we pray. Amen.

The Piano Reflection

Leena Miller, Academy Student of Jennifer Harberson

Andante, Nancy Faber

The Words of Forgiveness

Rev. Susan Reed

Friends of faith, no matter what you have done or left undone, no matter what lessons you have learned or are still learning, God's abundant grace exists for you. So hear the good news: You are forgiven. You are loved. Thanks be to God!

***The Hymn**

Congregation

Help Us Accept Each Other, No. 437

Before each stanza is sung, there will be a spoken word from the pulpit.

(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**

Rev. Dr. Kevin Gardner-Sinclair

Matthew 18:15-22, pg. 15-16

The Sermon

Rev. Dr. Kevin Gardner-Sinclair

Wandering Heart: O to Grace How Great

***The Hymn**

Congregation

Teach Me Thy Way, O Lord, No. 586

***The Offertory Prayer**

Melissa Barman

The Offertory

Chancel Bells

O Sacred Head Now Wounded, arr. Jason Krug

Steve Lin, Director

***The Congregational Response**

Congregation

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.

***The Spoken Benediction**

Rev. Dr. Kevin Gardner-Sinclair

***The Postlude**

Jonathan Oblander

Choral, op. 37, Joseph Jongen

The flowers in the Sanctuary this morning are given to the glory of God in memory of Rob Short by the Short family.

Prayer Concerns:

Sympathy to the family of Susan Reed in the death of her cousin, Jessica Coleman. Dick Brown, health concerns; Gary Miller, son of Barbara Miller, health concerns; Lee Sallee, father of Susan Gammon, health concerns; David Nightingale, health concerns; Edna Bielefeld, hospice care; Julie Ashmore, daughter of Lou Ann Twyman, health concerns; Esther Adeniran, health concerns

Looking Ahead

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

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.

Wednesday Night Dinner, Bible Study, & Children's Activities

The reservation deadline for each week is Monday at 1:00 p.m. If you are unable to attend, the reservation must be canceled by Monday 1:00 p.m. or you will be responsible for the charge.

3/20/2024

BBQ Pork Sandwich
Macaroni & Cheese
Green Beans
Chocolate Cream Pie

3/28/2024 (Maundy Thursday)

Chicken & Rice Almondine
Warm Rolls
Broccoli Salad
Apple Crisp

Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, March 23rd, 10 – 11:30 a.m. 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. 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.

WOM Spring Luncheon Silent Auction

Now accepting donations for the Women on Mission Spring Luncheon Silent Auction. Some items donated in the past include china, theme baskets, jewelry, derby hats, etc. Items can be new or gently used. Contact Connie Rogers at (502) 592-9392 or cgordonrogers@aol.com.

Pictorial Directory 2024

A new Pictorial Directory will be compiled in 2024. Pictures will be taken April 13, 14, 17, May 18, 19, & 22. More information coming soon on how to sign up!

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.



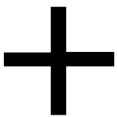
ANCHOR CROSS: This is used to symbolize the Christian’s hope, which is anchored in Christ. Also known as the mariner’s cross. It is a life saver. It serves as a navigation through the journey of faith.



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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