Westminster By-The-Sea Presbyterian Church The Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Sumner The Fifth Sunday in Lent April 3, 2022

Lent is the season of 40 days before Easter, not counting Sundays. It is a season of extra prayer, sacrifice, service, and renewed spiritual disciplines.

During these 6 Sundays, the cross and candlesticks, when used, are wood; and the flower containers are wicker instead of silver. The flags are removed and there is no Gloria sung again until Easter.

Gathering

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PRELUDE

"O Lord with Wondrous Mystery"

Andriessen

ANNOUNCEMENTS Dr. Sumner

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively)

One: What shall we do to honor God? ALL: **Some may try to live like Jesus.**

One: We could remember to give God the glory!

ALL: Indeed! To God be the glory!

*HYMN 634 "To God Be the Glory"

To God be the glory

To God be the glory, great things he has done! So loved he the world that he gave us his Son, who yielded his life an atonement for sin, and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

Refrain:

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord,

Let the earth hear his voice!

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

Let the people rejoice! O come to the Father through Jesus the Son, and give him the glory, great things he has done!

Great things he has taught us, great things he has done, and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son,

but purer and higher and greater will be our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. [Refrain]

*CALL TO PRAYER

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(unison)

There are a number of ways to give you glory, God. One way is to tell others about your Son Jesus. Another is to praise from our hearts and not just from our lips. And still another way is to know that we sin, to turn from our sinful ways, and to seek the holy path. Lead us down that path, O God, as we cast our sins behind us, looking toward the light of Christ in whose name we pray. Amen. (Silence)

*KYRIE Arr. David N. Johnson

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

*OUR HOPE FOR FORGIVENESS

The Word

MESSAGE FOR CHILDREN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE FIRST LESSON – Isaiah 43: 16-21

THE SECOND LESSON – Hebrews 4: 15-16

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON "Try Different Practices"

Dr. Sumner

*HYMN 260

"Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!"

Hyfrydol

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus; his the scepter, his the throne;

Alleluia! his the triumph, his the victory alone.

Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood:

"Jesus, out of every nation has redeemed us by his blood."

Alleluia! Not as orphans are we left in sorrow now;

Alleluia! he is near us; faith believes, nor questions how.

Though the cloud from sight received him when the forty days were o'er,

shall our hearts forget his promise:

"I am with you evermore"?

Alleluia! Bread of angels, here on earth our food, our stay;

Alleluia! here the sinful flee to you from day to day.

Intercessor, friend of sinners, earth's Redeemer, hear our plea

where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia! King eternal, Lord omnipotent we own; Alleluia born of Mary, earth your footstool, heaven your throne. As within the veil you entered, robed in flesh, our great high priest, here on earth both priest and victim, in the eucharistic feast.

Thanksgiving

PASTORAL PRAYER

RECEPTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

This congregation continues to need offerings to support the staff and missions we have. Please consider your offering at this time. Checks may be mailed or put in the offering plates if in person. Credit card and PayPal contributions: www.wbts.org.

OFFERTORY

"Lord Take My Hand and Lead Me"

Burkhardt

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Sacrament of Holy Communion

COMMUNION INVITATION

"Come Ye Blessed"

Scott

Norton Christeson, Soloist (*Permission for use by G. Schirmer* The invitation to the Lord's Supper is extended to all who have been baptized, remembering that access to the Table is not a right conferred upon the worthy, but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and who trust in Jesus Christ for cleansing and renewal. Even one who doubts or whose trust is wavering may come to the table in order to be assured of God's love and grace in Christ Jesus. Baptized children who are being nurtured and instructed in the significance of the invitation to the Table and the meaning of their response are invited to receive the Lord's Supper, recognizing that their understanding of participation will vary according to their maturity.

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

People: And also with you. Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **People:** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

(Prayer continues with times of silence)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

THE COMMUNION

Sending

*HYMN 498 "Loaves Were Broken" Beach Spring

Loaves were broken, words were spoken by the Galilean shore.

Jesus, Bread of Life from heaven, was their food forever more.

(Refrain)

By your body broken for us, by your wine of life out-poured, Jesus feed again your people. Be our Host, our Life, our Lord.

Loaves were broken words were spoken in a quiet room one night. In the bread and wine you gave them, Christ you came as Light from Light. (*Refrain*)

Loaves are broken, words are spoken, as in faith we gather here. Jesus speaks across the ages: "I am with you, do not fear!" (*Refrain*)

By the loaves you break and give us, send us in your name to share bread for which the millions hunger, words that tell your love and care. (*Refrain*)

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Fantasia on 'Te Deum"" Buxtehude

Announcements

FLOWERS HAVE BEEN GIVEN BY:

Marianne Sabatka, in celebration of her family's April birthdays.

LENT PRAYER SERVICES continue Wednesday at 5:30.

<u>SPIRES</u>: Copies of the Spire, our monthly newsletter, are available in the Narthex from one of our ushers.

LITURGIST: Elder Anne Nussle

<u>THE COMMUNION TABLE</u>, used today for the first time, was crafted by Ted Stedman for Westminster in loving memory of Elder Lucian "Lou" Rowland.

<u>DAYTONA TORTUGAS GAME</u>: We will be going to the Daytona Tortugas game at Jackie Robinson ballpark on April 22nd. A buffet of food including hamburgers, hot dogs, pulled pork, baked beans, coleslaw, cookies, chips, Pepsi products and water will be served from 6-7:30. The game starts at 7:05. Cost is \$22/person or \$20 for 4–10-year-olds. Children 3 and under are free. Sign up in the Narthex on the clipboard titled DAYTONA TORTUGAS GAME or call Kristin in the church office at 386-767-8342.

<u>MARCODY RANCH</u>: Join us April 9^{th} from 10 a.m. -12 p.m. at Marcody Ranch in New Smyrna Beach. We get to meet Rikki the Donkey and his equestrian friends, pet the animals, enjoy

fellowship, and the children can even go for a ride for \$5. Call the church office for more information or to RSVP.

NEW MEMBER LUNCHEON: Information went out last week, but our new member luncheon takes place on April 24th following the 11 a.m. service. Our own Chef Mark Bartell will be cooking us an amazing lunch to celebrate our new members from the past 2 years. Congregation members may join us for \$9 per person. Space is limited so RSVP by calling the office or putting your payment in the offering place and Kristin will add you to the list.

<u>ONLINE WORSHIP</u>: Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday will not be online until late afternoon on those days. Instead of our pre-recorded service, we will be recording church LIVE those Sundays and Kristin will put them up on YouTube and our website Sunday afternoon.

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 6	Lent Prayer Service	5:30 p.m.
April 9	Marcody Ranch	10 a.m12 noon
April 10	Palm Sunday/	8:45a.m &11a.m.
	Reception of New Members	
April 14	Maundy Thursday Service	7:30 p.m.
April 15	Good Friday Service	12 p.m.
April 17	Easter Sunday	8:45 & 11 a.m.
April 22	Daytona Tortugas Game	6 p.m.
April 24	Reception of New Members/	
	New Member Luncheon	