FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday March 26th, 2017

Please stand at items marked * if you are able. Passages in **Bold Print** are to be spoken in Unison Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Susan Mattinson

Pianist: Lloyd Jones / Cheong Lo Lee Music Director: Kendall House

"Be Still and know that I am God" (Ps. 46:10)
Please take the time before the service as an Opportunity to quietly prepare your heart and mind for worship.

WE GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude

*Entry of the Bible

Introit

Fourth Sunday in Lent (see insert) -Lynae Grace

Hymn: "My shepherd is the King of love" #691

Opening Prayer:

Gracious and loving God, we come before you in praise. You are compassion, hearing all who call out for mercy. You are healing, offering wholeness to all who cry out in pain. You are truth, showing the way to all who seek the fullness of life. We confess that we have not lived into the abundant life that you offer your people. We demand proof of your presence and power over and over again, instead of fully embracing you. Afraid, we judge others harshly and fail to see your grace at work in their lives. Help us to be a people that can see and discern your presence in the world. Open our eyes to your healing power and mercy. Change our hearts so that we experience the fullness of Christ's love and light. In Jesus name, we pray, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Choir Anthem

*Children's "Will you come and follow me" #634

Hymn (Sing last verse after children's

time)

Children's Time

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Hymn of Preparation:

#64 v.1

"Be still and know that I am God. Be still and know that I am God. Be still and know that I am God."

Bible Readings:

Matthew 5:27-30 NT- Pg. 5 Psalm 73:21-28 OT - Pg. 534-535

1 Corinthians 6:12-20 NT – Pg. 169

Gloria Patri:

#594

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be world without end. Amen, amen.

Sermon: : "From Lust to Love"

*Hymn: "In Loving-Kindness Jesus Came"

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WE RESPOND TO GOD

Tithes and Offerings

*Offertory Response

#830

"Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost."

*Prayer of Dedication:

Gracious Lord, as followers who are blinded by your wondrous light, we seek to be amplified beacons of your astonishing light to others. Help us to reflect your love by listening to your call and to your will for our lives. In gratitude, we dedicate these gifts in the name of the one who lived, died, and rose for our sake, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer (debts...debtors)

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

*Hymn: "In suffering love"

#696

Blessing Response:

"Peace! Peace! Wonderful peace, coming down from the Father above. Sweep over my spirit forever, I pray, in fathomless billows of love".

Postlude