

Cornwall Presbyterian Church is a community of Christians living in faith and enlivening the world.



March 21, 2021 10:00 AM Zoom Worship

## Welcome to Cornwall Presbyterian Church!

We are delighted to have you here with us today. Here is an order of worship if you would like to follow along.

Thank you for joining us for worship this morning. We hope to see you again soon!

**Notes for Worship:** The Opening Prayer and Prayer of Confession are adapted from *Seasons of the SpiritTM* SeasonsFusion Lent • Easter 2021

Hymn: 12 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise	Ruthanne Schempf, organ
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### Welcome

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Loving Jesus, High Priest of our hearts, draw us close to you, so we may glorify you and proclaim your goodness, in all that we are, all that we do, and all that we say. Amen.

### **Lighting the Christ Candle**

Response: 423 "Create In Me A Clean Heart".....Ruthanne Schempf, piano Greg Ransom, guitar

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Have mercy on us, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy, remove our transgressions, take away our iniquity, and smooth the paths that will lead us closer to you. Create in us a pure heart, O God, and put a reconciling spirit within us. Do not cast us away from your creation, and do not take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore your wonderful creation and sustain your covenant with all Earth. Amen.

Silent Prayers

### **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

Remember, God's goodness is forever, and God's mercies will always endure. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION	Kate Sampson
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Scripture	Kate Sampson

## Psalm 46

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea; though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult. Selah There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns. The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts. The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Come, behold the works of the Lord; see what desolations he has brought on the earth. He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire. "Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth." The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

# Matthew 6:25-33

"Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear? 'For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## **Children's Time**

Music for Reflection: 171 "A Sower Came From Ancient Hills"	Ruthanne Schempf, piano
	Greg, guitar
Sermon: "Our Refuge and Strength"	Rev. Patricia Calahan
Hymn: 692 "Spirit Open My Heart"	Ruthanne Schempf, organ

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

### BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: "Paean"......Ruthanne Schempf, organ George Blake