

The Worship of God

GINTER PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

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Fourth Sunday in Lent • March 19, 2023 • 10:30 AM

GATHERING & REFLECTING (10:20 AM)

“Then one night when my whole heart was open to hearing from God what I was supposed to do with my life, God said, “Anything that pleases you.”

“What?” I said, resorting to words again. “What kind of an answer is that?”

“Do anything that pleases you,” the voice in my head said again, “and belong to me.”

- Barbara Brown Taylor, *An Altar in the World*

CHIMING THE TRINITY

Ruth Caudill

CALL TO WORSHIP

Lisa Horn

One: In our work, even in dull routine

Many: We hear the call to serve our Lord

One: We must work for more than wages, and manage for more than profit

Many: We must search for ways that answer God's calling

One: We must love our neighbor and care for the earth and its creatures

Many: And honor God in all that we do

INVOCATION PRAYER

HYMN No. 490

“Sister, Let Me Be Your Servant”

BEACH SPRING

SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

Lisa Horn

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (ALL)

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.

LENTEN CHORUS No. 211

“Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley”

LONESOME VALLEY

Jesus walked this lonesome valley, he had to walk it by himself;
O, nobody else could walk it for him, he had to walk it by himself.

CONFESSION

One: Lord, you know how often we have resented our work;

Many: Forgive us, Lord, for our ingratitude.

One: And you know how often we have neglected our abilities;

Many: Forgive us, Lord, for our poor stewardship.

One: And you know how often we've been careless in our studies;

Many: Forgive us, Lord, for not using our minds.

One: And you know how often we've wasted time on the job;

Many: Forgive us, Lord, for our heart's insincerity.

One: And you've seen how poor some of our work has been;

Many: Forgive us, Lord, for our carelessness.

One: And you've heard how often we've said we can't wait to get out;

Many: Forgive us, Lord, for not working with all our heart.

One: And you know we've often worked only to please others;

Many: Forgive us for failing to remember it is you we are serving.

All: Hear our prayer, and in the mercy of Jesus Christ, cleanse us for his name's sake.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

One: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

Many: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.

EXTINGUISH THE CANDLE

HYMN No. 619

“My Life Flows On”

HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING

SCRIPTURE

[Colossians 3:12-17](#)

Anita Laffoon

SERMON

“9 to 5”

Anita Laffoon

Vocation

TIME OF REFLECTION & RESPONSE

“Love Divine with 9 to 5”

Arr. Horn

ANNOUNCEMENTS & THE WORK OF THE CHURCH

HYMN No. 625

“Precious Name”

PRECIOUS NAME

BENEDICTION

PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ is with you.

Many: And also with you...

Announcements

Metro Richmond at Prayer

During the week of March 19, we pray for health care in Metropolitan Richmond: For emergency response personnel and all emergency room staff. For hospitals, nursing homes, and hospice programs; and for persons diagnosed with terminal illness.

Pray for our Ministry Partners

Richmond Hill - Founded in 1987, Richmond Hill is an ecumenical Christian fellowship and residential community who serve as stewards of an urban retreat center within the setting of a historic monastery. Their Mission is to seek God's healing of Metropolitan Richmond through prayer, hospitality, racial reconciliation and spiritual development.

Guest Speaker

Drew Perdue (they/them) will be our guest speaker on March 26th!

Drew is a last semester senior at Randolph-Macon College in Ashland, VA, originally from Salem, VA. They are double majoring in Religious Studies and Sociology, they have a minor in Gender, Sexuality, and Women's Studies, and are on the Pre-Ministerial track. After their graduation in May, Drew plans to continue their education in seminary beginning in fall of 2023 with the goal of eventually becoming ordained in the Presbyterian Church (PCUSA). When not in classes, you can find Drew involved in various clubs and organizations on campus, at their church (Westminster Presbyterian Church), working at Virginia Interfaith Center for Public Policy as the Administrative Assistant, or FaceTiming their twin brother!

Holy Week

Palm Sunday (April 2) – Worship at 10:30am, CHUMC Fellowship Hall

Good Friday (April 7) – Worship at 7pm, CHUMC Fellowship Hall

Easter Sunday (April 9) – Worship at 10:30am, CHUMC Fellowship Hall (with breakfast)

Worship isn't the same without you...

...and we'd love to have your help! We need volunteers to help on Sunday mornings by leading the Call to Worship and the Prayers of the People, and to facilitate the Zoom room. Contact Anita to sign up (alaffoon@ginterparkbc.org)!

Study Opportunities

- Thursday mornings at 10am - the book of Acts
- Sunday mornings at 9am - *Do I Stay Christian?* By Brian McLaren
- Wednesday evenings at 6:30pm - *Wholehearted Faith* by Rachel Held Evans

Page Turners Book Club

A new book has been chosen! The book to read and discuss in May is *The Reading List* by Sarah Nisha Adams. We will meet on May 21st at 4pm.

Back Pack Update!

Keep bringing in those grocery bags!!! We are packing 36 double bags each week! If you have questions about the process let Dixie know! Contact information can be found on REALM.

Hymn Texts

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Sister, Let Me Be Your Servant

Sister, let me be your servant. brother, let me walk with you;
Pray that I might have the grace to let you be my servant, too.
We are pilgrims on a journey, fellow trav'lers on the road.
We are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load.

I will weep when you are weeping. When you laugh, I'll laugh with you.
I will share your joy and sorrow till we've seen this journey thro'.
When we sing to God in heaven, we shall find such harmony
Born of all we've known together of great love and agony.

Brother, let me be your servant. Sister, let me walk with you;
Pray that I might have the grace to let you be my servant, too.
Sister, let me be your servant. brother, let me walk with you;
Pray that I might have the grace to let you be my servant, too.

How Can I Keep from Singing

My life flows on in endless song; above earth's lamentation,
I hear the clear, though far off hymn that hails a new creation.
No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging.
Since love is Lord of heav'n and earth, how can I keep from singing?

Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear the music ringing.
It finds an echo in my soul. How can I keep from singing?
No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging.
Since love is Lord of heav'n and earth, how can I keep from singing?

What though my joys and comforts die? I know my Savior liveth.
What though the darkness gather round? Songs in the night he giveth.
No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging.
Since love is Lord of heav'n and earth, how can I keep from singing?

The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever springing!
All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from singing?

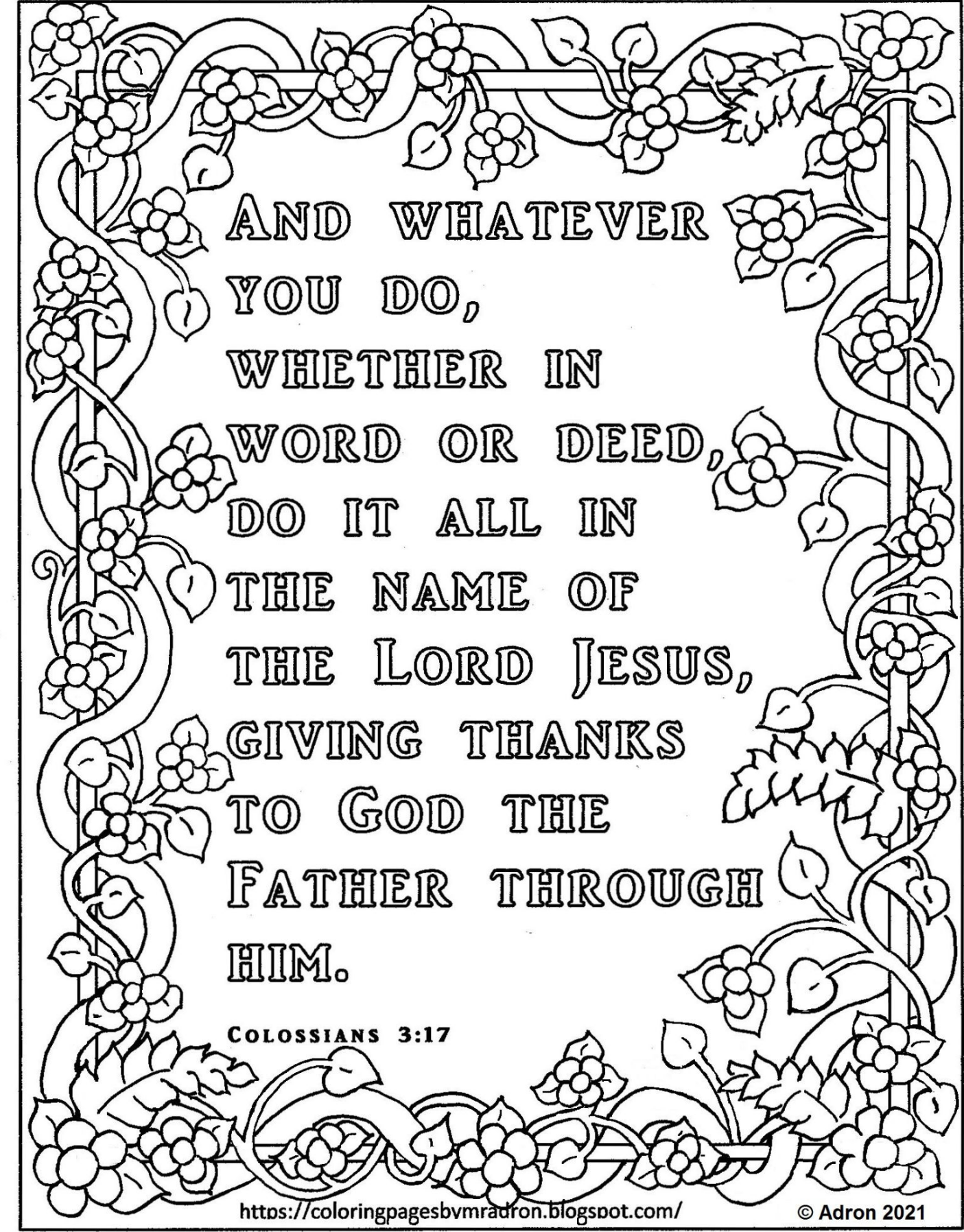
Precious Name

Take the name of Jesus with you, child of sorrow and of woe;
it will joy and comfort give you; take it then, where'er you go.
Precious name, O how sweet! Hope of earth and joy of heaven.
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Take the name of Jesus ever, as a shield from every snare;
if temptations round you gather, breathe that holy name in prayer.
Precious name, O how sweet! Hope of earth and joy of heaven.
Precious name, O how sweet! Hope of earth and joy of heaven.

O the precious name of Jesus! How it thrills our souls with joy,
when his loving arms receive us, and his songs our tongues employ!
Precious name, O how sweet! Hope of earth and joy of heaven.
Precious name, O how sweet! Hope of earth and joy of heaven.

At the name of Jesus bowing, falling prostrate at his feet,
King of kings in heaven we'll crown him, when our journey is complete.
Precious name, O how sweet! Hope of earth and joy of heaven.
Precious name, O how sweet! Hope of earth and joy of heaven.



AND WHATEVER
YOU DO,
WHETHER IN
WORD OR DEED,
DO IT ALL IN
THE NAME OF
THE LORD JESUS,
GIVING THANKS
TO GOD THE
FATHER THROUGH
HIM.

COLOSSIANS 3:17