



THIRD SUNDAY OF

Lent

Welcome! *United Christian Church of Austin is an Open and Affirming congregation, embracing diversity and affirming the dignity and worth of every person created in God's image. We welcome into full membership and participation in the Body of Christ persons of every race, ethnic background, age, gender, gender expression/identity, sexual orientation, physical or mental ability, social-economic background, marital status and faith background. We welcome all to share in the life, leadership, ministry, fellowship, worship, sacraments, responsibilities and blessings of participation in Christ's Church.*

March 24, 2019

Third Sunday of Lent

11 AM

Prelude

“Jesus, The Very Thought of Thee”

Logan

Gathering Songs

“I Heard My Mother Say (Give Me Jesus)”

Rev. Anna Humble

#409, verses 1, 2 & 4

“Lord I Want to Be a Christian”

#454, verses 1, 2 & 4

– WE GATHER IN FAITH –

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Nikki Stahl

***Call to Worship** *(Please rise in body or Spirit)*

Jenny Veninga

One: Everyone who thirsts, gather here.

Lift up your head, incline your ear and
come to find all for which your soul thirsts.

Many: We come because our lips are full of praise.

One: Everyone who doubts, gather here.

Listen, so that you may live
beyond the confusions and frustrations
to behold the power and glory of love.

**Many: We come to remember again that
your steadfast love, O God, is better than life.**

One: Everyone who needs a blessing, gather here.

Many: We come feel the hand of Love uphold us.

*Kyrie

5 Have mer - cy on us, God, and hear our sol - emn prayer. We
come to hear your liv - ing Word; it saves us from de - spair

*Prayer of Confession (*Unison*)

Jenny Veninga

O God, our God, we seek you, our souls thirsts for you
but we cannot find always find you. No matter how parched
our lips might be, we confess that we have not turned to you.
We have not done justice for your people. We have not cared for
your created world as we should. We have felt like we couldn't do enough
and so we didn't do anything. O God, forgive us.

*Kyrie

5 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and make our hearts a - new. Pour
our your grace and make us whole so we can live as you.

*Assurance of Grace

One: Beloved in Christ, God has made an everlasting covenant with us.
It is a promise that is older than David to which God commits to love
always. Our thoughts are not God's thoughts, nor are our ways God's ways
because, dear friends, God's steadfast love is greater than all of our failures
and mistakes.

Many: **Bless us, O God, with your mercy and grace as long as we live.
Amen.**

***Gloria**

TUNE: ODE TO JOY

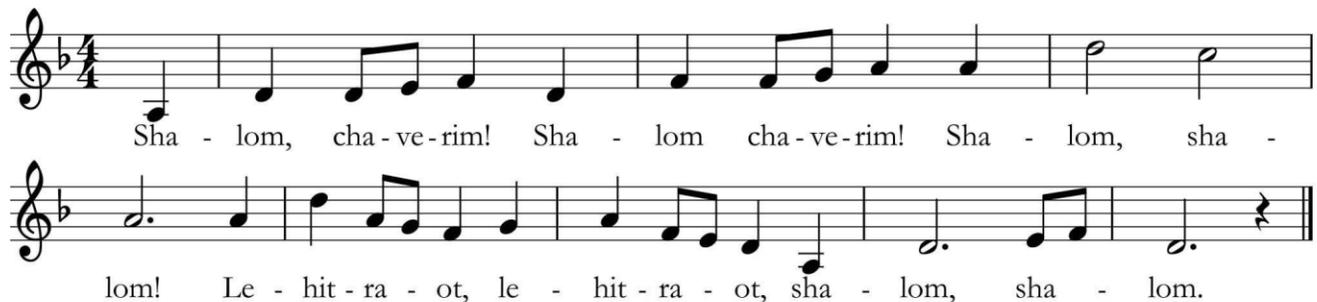
*Glory be to Christ forever, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
Son of God and gracious savior, you have come from heav'n above;
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Hear our prayer; restore, forgive us; in your grace, we firmly stand.*

— WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD —

Children's Offering & Message *March: birthday supplies (see p.6)*

*Children are invited forward to help collect the Children's Offering and share in the Children's Message.
Afterward, childcare will be offered in Room 3 and the nursery, and Worship and Wonder will be offered for
elementary-aged children in Room 1.*

Sending the Children Forth "Shalom Chaverim" *(Peace, friends, till we meet again)*



Sha - lom, cha - ve - rim! Sha - lom cha - ve - rim! Sha - lom, sha - lom!
lom! Le - hit - ra - ot, le - hit - ra - ot, sha - lom, sha - lom.

Seeking the Word in Scripture

Exodus 3:1-15(Pew Bible p. 49)

Sermon

“What is Your Name”

Rev. Anna Humble

— WE SHARE OUR PRAYERS —

Hymn

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

#506, verse 2

*Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged; take it to our God in prayer!
Can we find a friend so faithful, who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness; take it to our God in prayer!*

Prayers of the People

Rev. Nikki Stahl, Andrea Larson, *elder*

One: ... O God,
All: hear our prayer.

*Every time you see this symbol, you are invited to rise in body or spirit.

Including Clementine Tomlinson, Kat Maerz, David Baker, Mia Courson, Barbara Rowton, Karen Rowton, the family of Vernon von Bieberstein, and the family of Dick Hibbard. *Please send updates to Pastor Carl Schwartz-King, carl@uccaustin.org.*

The Lord’s Prayer, *using these or whichever words are closest to your heart:*

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 and ever. Amen.

— WE RESPOND IN FAITH —

We Share the Peace of Christ

Peace be with you. **And also with you.**

Two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and repetitive. The lyrics are: "Peace, sal - aam, sha - lom, ___ Peace, sal - aam, sha - lom, ___".

Sharing Our Gifts

Mark Simoneau

Musical Offering

“Be Still” by Mary McDonald

Chancel Choir

*Be still and know that I am God.
Be still and know that I am with you.
Be still and know that I will comfort you
when you come to me in your hour of need.
Be still and know that I am God.
Be still and know that I am here for you,
and I will wipe your tears.
You will be renewed.*

*Come unto my child be still,
and know that I will give you rest.
I am present in your pain,
and I always will remain your comforter and friend.

Peace I leave with you;
my peace, I give unto you.
Peace, peace peace*

TEXT YOUR OFFERING! Message **512.842.6662** with a \$ followed by the amount you’d like to give (example: \$25.) You should get a text message back with a link to register. Once registered, you’ll receive an email receipt. In the future, just text to the same number with your offering amount preceded by a dollar sign, and it will process automatically!

**Every time you see this symbol, you are invited to rise in body or spirit.*

— WE SHARE HOLY COMMUNION —

All are welcome at Christ's table. Members, guests, first-timers, long-timers, baptized or not, all who desire to know and share the love of God. If you wish, as the trays are passed, take a piece of bread and eat right away, but hold on to a cup, and then we will drink together.

***Note: All bread is gluten-free. Both red wine and white grape juice are offered.**

We Give God Thanks & Praise

Rev. Anna Humble

Memorial Acclamation

#796

The choir will sing the song once and the people are invited to repeat it:

Christ's death, O God, we proclaim.

Christ's resurrection we declare.

Christ's coming we await.

Glory be to you, O God.

Blessing the Elements of Bread and Cup

Stephanie Mack, *deacon*

Communion Music

"Lenten Prayer"

Broughton

Sharing the Sacrament

One: ... let all God's people say:

All: **Thanks be to God! Amen.**

— WE GO FORTH TO SERVE —

***Sending Hymn**

"Bring Many Names"

#11

Please rise in body or Spirit as we sing.

***We Are Sent Forth**

One: May praise be on your joyful lips
as you leave this sanctuary full of blessing.
May you be upheld by the power and glory of our God
through all of the challenges ahead.

Many: **May we be emboldened by the steadfast love of God.**

One: Go with that steadfast love of God
to bear fruit the world needs.

Many: **We will be rooted in God's love.**

**Every time you see this symbol, you are invited to rise in body or spirit.*

One: ... Now our worship has ended.

All: **Let our service begin. Amen.**

Postlude

“Rock of Ages”

Hastings

* Every time you see this symbol in the bulletin, you are invited to rise in body or in spirit.

The liturgical elements this morning were written by Elsa Cook, a member of UCC Austin.

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TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Acolyte: 9am Mikaela Fuller, 11am Rachael Simoneau; **After Church Clean-Up:** Maddie Hackenberg; **Call to Offering:** Mark Simoneau; **Deacons:** 9am Kelley DeCleene, Logan DeCleene, 11am Lydia Verosky, Stephanie Mack, Ray Mata, Jonabel Mata; **Elder:** 9 am None, 11am Andrea Larson; **Flowers:** None; **Greeters:** 9am Jan Keeling, 11am None; **Liturgist:** Jenny Veninga; **Tellers:** Jan Keeling and Jen Barrera; **Sound Room:** 9am None, 11am The Macks

EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS for 3/24/19

Dr. Rev. Laura Barnes (aka Pastor Laura) will be joining us as our new Interim Senior Minister starting May 1, 2019. Thank you to our Interim Search Committee for all their time and energy spent spearheading this process.

March Children's Offering Birthday party supplies for Round Rock Area Serving Center, for example: streamers, candles, cake mix, frosting, party bags, invitations...

Breaking Down Walls, online series for Lent, will be offered Thursdays via Zoom. Formal gathering from 8:00 pm - 8:20 pm followed by an optional discussion time. The series will offer a different topic each week. You can join in for the complete series or just one topic. Instructions on pg. 11.

Lenten Fast for Creation Join with many other churches around the world in heeding the call to be stewards of God's Creation in a Lenten Fast for Creation. Each day during Lent, you will receive a message with a concrete step to fast from carbon, waste, and other harms to God's creation. To subscribe these daily messages by email, follow this link: <http://eepurl.com/gh-qJb>. By text, message **@carbonfast** to **81010**.

Lenten Choir Singers of all generations and levels of experience are invited to join us for Lenten Devotional Choir now until Easter Sunday, April 21st. We will rehearse during Lent from 7:15 to 8:30 PM on Wednesdays and 10:15 – 10:45 AM on Sundays. Childcare is always provided, and those with small children are may be dismissed before at 8:15!

Children's Palm Sunday Choir The children will sing during the 11 AM service on Palm Sunday, April 14th. The song will be taught during the Time for Children at that same service.

Easter Sunday Choir and Bell Choir Would you like to sing or ring bells with us on Easter Sunday? You don't have to be a member of our Lenten Choir or come out weeknights to be a part of what will be a dazzling Sunday of music this year! We'll be learning all the music for Easter on the 4 Sundays leading up to it this year (3/24, 3/31, 4/7 & 4/14) and you're welcome to drop in for any one or all. Easter Choir will rehearse from 10:30-10:45 AM, and Easter Bells will rehearse following the 11 AM worship service. Come and sing and ring with us this Easter!

AIDS/LifeCycle Miles Ward will be joining us during Faith Formation NEXT SUNDAY to provide some education on and a giving opportunity to support AIDS/LifeCycle. More information on can be found at <https://www.aidslifecycle.org/>.

God's Agents of Kindness (GAK) Our Older Elementary mission group (3rd - 5th the children's mission offerings collected for Round Rock Serving Center.

Savers Fundraiser Our next youth mission trip fundraiser will be a collection and donation of gently used items for Savers. On Sunday, April 7th, you can bring your items to be donated and we'll load them up and take them to Savers. Please separate your items into soft goods and hard goods. Books and furniture cannot be accepted. A list of acceptable items can be found in the March Newsletter.

Donations for Easter Egg Hunt are being collected. We have the eggs, we need stuff to stuff into the eggs. Donations needed include: stickers, candy (no peanut products, please), small toys (Terra Toys and Party City are great places to find non-edible items). Donations requested by April 7th so that eggs can be stuffed by our Christian Education Committee. The hunt is scheduled for April 14th after the 11 am service.

Outside Workday planned for Saturday April 13th with the focus on preparing the back lawn and children's area for the Easter Egg Hunt (4/14); and the grounds for Easter Sunday (4/21).

Austin Pride Festival Seeking Donations We are seeking donations to cover the cost of a booth at the Annual Austin Pride Festival on August 10th. Booth costs \$375 plus we would like to be able to decorate and create material to share about UCC's Open and Affirming stance. The majority of visitors when asked how they found UCC say it is because they are looking for a church that is GLBTQ+ friendly. Also looking for leaders to plan this booth and for others to work the booth. Contact Rev. Nikki, if interested.

– LEADERSHIP/COMMITTEE MEETINGS –

Personnel 1 st Sun @ 9am	personnel@uccaustin.org
Christian Education 1 st Sun @ 1pm	christianed@uccaustin.org
Staff Tue @ 9:30am	uccadmin@uccaustin.org
Council 3 rd Tue @ 7pm	councilchair@uccaustin.org
Finance 2 nd Wed @ 6:15pm	finance@uccaustin.org
Worship 2 nd Wed @ 6:15pm	worship@uccaustin.org
Elders 2 nd Weds @ 6:45pm	elders@uccaustin.org

– ONGOING SMALL GROUP OPPORTUNITIES –

Sunday Faith Formation @ 10am	Tracy Brown, christianed@uccaustin.org
Youth Group (see church calendar)	Meghan Trout, youth@uccaustin.org
Youth(ful) Moms when youth meet	Andrea Larson, andrea.larson@gmail.com
Sunday FED @ 5pm (member homes)	Lyn Brown, don.lyn@sbcglobal.net
Tues Breakfast @ 8am (Jim's Rest.)	Ken Dalley, kennethdalley@sbcglobal.net
Evening Book Group 4 th Weds @ 6:30pm	Cherie Hinch, bfocat@yahoo.com
Chancel Choir Wed @ 7:00 & Sun @ 10:15	Rev. Humble, music@uccaustin.org
Morning Book Group 2 nd Fri @ 9:30am	Tammy Isenberg, disenberg9@hotmail.com
Lunch Bunch 2 nd Fri @ 11:15am (varies)	Ken Dalley, kennethdalley@sbcglobal.net
Adult Game Night last Fri @ 6:30pm	Evelyn Case, wcase@austin.rr.com
Saturday FED @ 6pm (Stahl's house)	Rev. Nikki Stahl, nikki@uccaustin.org

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“Breaking Down Walls” Lenten Online Series Instructions

If you “preregistered” with Arlene, an email invitation will be sent which will contain both a link to the meeting (for those using computers or smart phone app) or a phone number that you may call (for those just using a telephone) and a meeting ID (479248027). Follow the instructions on that invite.

Other ways to join

From app on your phone/tablet

1. Download Zoom App (only the first time)
2. Open App
3. Enter Meeting ID 479248027
4. Hit Join button

From computer or other browser

1. Enter <https://zoom.us/j/479248027>

From phone (not using an app)

1. Dial 1 (669) 990-6833
2. When prompted, enter Meeting ID 479248027

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