



Welcome to Worship
Sunday, March 21, 2020 — 10:30 a.m.
*Making Disciples Who Make a Difference
in Seward and Beyond*



Words of Welcome and Announcements:

See announcement flyer.



Peace of Christ Blessing

Call to Worship

L: Welcome to worship during this season of Lent.

P: We gather today seeking to understand how to be better disciples.

L: We give thanks for the cloud of witnesses who have embodied faithfulness to Jesus in their daily lives.

P: May we learn from disciples who made a difference in order that we also may make a difference.

Song of Praise

Come, Now is the Time to Worship

Come now is the time to worship
Come now is the time to give your heart
Come just as you are to worship
Come just as you are before your God
Come

One day every tongue
Will confess You are God
One day every knee will bow
Still the greatest treasure remains
For those who gladly choose You now

Come, just as you are, come

Our Common Prayer

God of Sunday Mornings and Ordinary Work Days, we thank you for the example of Archbishop Oscar Romero, for the way that worship was a means of grace in his life, for how the study of the gospel compelled him to give voice to the voiceless. Grant that worship will be a means of grace in our lives, that we might be mindful of your steadfast abiding love when we gather. May our worship compel us to lives of service to make a difference for a world in need. In Jesus' name, amen.

Children's Time

Pastor Jo Ellen Axthelm

Scripture Lesson - Psalm 100

¹ Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth.

² Worship God with gladness;
come into God's presence with singing.

³ Know that God is God.
It is God that made us, and we belong to God,
we are God's people, and the sheep of God's pasture.

⁴ Enter the gates with thanksgiving,
and God's courts with praise.
Give thanks, bless God's name.

⁵ For God is good;
God's steadfast love endures forever,
and God's faithfulness to all generations.

Colossians 3:12-17

¹² As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. ¹³ Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as God has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ¹⁴ Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. ¹⁵ And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. ¹⁶ Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts

sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. ¹⁷And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of Jesus, giving thanks to God through him.

Song of Praise

Build My Life

¹ Worthy of ev'ry song we could ever sing
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
We live for You

^C Holy there is no one like You
There is none beside You
Open up my eyes in wonder
And show me who You are
And fill me with Your heart
And lead me in Your love to those around me

² Jesus the name above ev'ry other name
Jesus the only one could ever save
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
We live for You, We live for You

^B I will build my life upon Your love
It is a firm foundation
And I will put my trust in You alone
And I will not be shaken

Message

Disciples Worship

Pastor May Kay Totty

Prayer of Confession

God of Mercy, forgive us the times we do not make you a priority, when we put other things ahead of worship and service. Forgive us for taking You for granted. Amen.

Time of Silent Confession

Words of Assurance

Pastor: Hear the good news! God is ever more ready to forgive than we are to confess.
We are forgiven.

People: We are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

Prayer: Type in your joys/concerns or text to 402-810-8900.

Music for Prayer

As the Deer

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As the deer pants for the water, so my soul longs after you.
You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship you.
You alone are my strength, my shield;
to you along may my spirit yield.
You alone are my hearts desire, and I long to worship you.

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Offering

We give generously of our time, talents, gifts, service, and witness.

To make a gift in support of our continued ministry during the global pandemic, please place your offering in the box near the front door, or visit sewardumc.org and click on the 'donate' button.

Offertory**Sarah Rodocker****Prayer of Dedication**

Receive O God the offerings we bring with glad and generous hearts. Grant that they will be used for the ministries of this congregation as we seek to make disciples who make a difference in Seward and beyond. For all that is entrusted to us, we give thanks. Amen.

Hymn

Go Make a Difference

^cGo make a difference. We can make a difference. Go make a difference in the world.
Go make a difference. We can make a difference. Go make a difference in the world.

¹We are the salt of the earth, called to let the people see
the love of God in you and me.

We are the light of the world, not to be hidden but be seen.

Go make a difference in the world. *(Chorus)*

²We are the hands of Christ reaching out to those in need,
the face of God for all to see.

We are the spirit of hope; we are the voice of peace.

Go make a difference in the world. *(Chorus)*

³So let your love shine on, let it shine for all to see.

Go make a difference in the world.

And the spirit of Christ will be with us as we go.

Go make a difference in the world. *(Chorus)*

Benediction**Pastor Mary Kay Totty****Postlude****Sarah Rodocker*****The People of God Go Forth to Serve***

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