



Sunday, March 21, 2021

Fifth Sunday in Lent

Waterloo First United Methodist Church

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Prelude

Welcome

Sharing the Peace of Christ:

The peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you!

Call to Worship

Before thrones of power and through seasons of despair,

The presence of God nurtures life among us.

Through collective imagination and practices of repair...

By building new patterns of mutuality and justice...

Each time we trade individual gain for collective solidarity...

We encounter the eternal life of God—our beginning and our end.

There is no need to wait for the blessings of heaven. They already dwell among us.

Thanks be to God, who lifts the veil and makes known the glory of love.

Opening Prayer

Holy presence, even in this season of examination, may our contemplation be a means of liberation. Refusing practices of guilt and self-deprecation, guide our attention to what keep us from building together the world you desire for us. That we may face our fears and seek the truth that frees us, may the Spirit be our guide. Amen.

Opening Hymn

Change My Heart O God

2X No. 2152

Old Testament Lesson

Jeremiah 31: 31-34

Psalm

Psalm 51: 1-2

Hymn

Come and Fill Our Hearts

No. 2157

Gospel Lesson

John 12: 20-33

Sermon

You Got to Have Heart

Rev. David Glenn-Burns

Offering

Offertory

Doxology

No. 94

Prayer of Dedication

Beloved One, you came to dwell among us that we would all come to know life abundant. As we bring our offerings, we pray that we may confront the systems and powers that keep life from flourishing. Refusing to settle for evil's justification of what is, bless our efforts to love differently and dream deeper of the possibilities among us. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Silent Prayers

Pastoral Prayers

The Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn

Make Me a Channel of Your Grace

No. 2171

Benediction

Postlude

Worship Leaders:

Rev. David Glenn-Burns | Lori Nelson, Organist | Emily Forsberg, Vocals | Brenda Durbahn, Liturgist

Sally Thurman, Videographer and Video Editor

