

PRESENTATION OF OFFERING

Anthem Ave Verum Corpus W. A. Mozart

✦ Doxology (sung)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

✦ Prayer of Dedication

HEARING THE WORD

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Congregational Hymn (sung seated) Hymn 20

Children’s Message 4¢-A-Meal Offering

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 19 OT (p. 472)

SERMON Being One William M. Klein

A TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION [A time to reflect upon the implications of scripture and sermon for your life.]

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Invitation

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving (responsive)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Hymn 511 (remain seated) Come, Behold! The Feast of Heaven

Breaking of the Bread

Communion

Anthem O Taste and See Iona Community

Prayer after Communion

✦ HYMN 24 God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens

✦ BLESSING IN WORD [A departing blessing]

✦ CHORAL RESPONSE Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing, Lord W. R. Voris

✦ BLESSING IN MUSIC [During the playing of the music you are encouraged to greet one another, sharing the peace of Christ, or to remain seated and allow the music to aid you in fashioning some final prayers.]

Have Mercy on Me, O God Heinrich Scheidemann

✦ Those who are able may stand.

All are invited to attend Coffee Fellowship in Brady Chapel.

Following Time with the Children, those in K – 3rd grade will be excused to Enrichment in Room 200. For children ages 3-12, there are folders in the foyer near the elevator with color sheets, puzzles and related worship materials, as well as children’s Bibles / books.

9:45 - 10:45: Nursery (infant – 3 yrs)

Sunday School Class (3-4 yrs)

10:45-12:00: Nursery (infant -5 yrs)

Table with 3 columns: Class of 2018, Class of 2019, Class of 2020. Includes names of session members like Joyce Fraley, William L. (Skip) Hess, etc.

Music Notes:

Choir Music: The choral call to worship, inspired by Psalm 19, is taken from a movement of the great oratorio Creation (1797-1798) by the Austrian master composer, Franz Josef Haydn (1732-1809). The choir’s text:

The heavens are telling the glory of God; the wonder of his work displays the firmament.

The anthem during the offering is one of the last, and best known, of the compositions of the great Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791). An English translation of the Latin text:

Hail, true body born of the Virgin Mary, who truly suffered, sacrificed on the cross for humankind; from whose pierced side flowed water and blood. Be for us a foretaste [of heaven] in the trial of death.

The anthem during the communion comes from the rich store of song created for the Iona Community in Scotland. The text, full of scriptural precedents and illusion, was written by a group from the Community. The music is by John Bell (b. 1949), the Community’s muse. The choir’s text:

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is! Happy are those who put their trust in him. So give him thanks, and praise his name forever. All that we need comes from his hand. The bread of heaven is in mercy broken; the cup is blessed and passed at Christ’s command. The feast of heaven is shared by earthly people: all are made one and called God’s own.

Stretch out your hands, touch, and taste, the goodness; let bread and wine Christ’s peace and power relate; And let the Spirit stir both hope and healing: such are the gifts we celebrate.

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The closing choral response is taken from a collection of service music composed by the early-20th-century American musician, W. R. Voris. The text is from a hymn by the English hymn writer, Joseph Hart (1712-1768). The choir’s text:

Dismiss us with thy blessing, Lord; help us to feed upon thy word; All that has gone amiss, forgive, and let thy truth within us live. Though we are guilty, thou art good; wash all our works in Jesus’ blood; Give every burdened soul release, and bid us all depart in peace.

Congregational Hymns: At the children’s time we sing the well known “I Danced in the Morning,” one of the extraordinary songs of Sydney Carter (1915-2004). The tune is the old Shaker hymn, “Simple Gifts.” The choir’s descant is by William McCorkle. At the children’s time we sing “All Things Bright and Beautiful” by the prolific hymn writer, Cecil Frances Humphreys Alexander (1818-1895). The tune (“Royal Oak”) is an English folk melody adapted as a hymn by the English musician, composer, and hymnal editor, Martin Shaw (1875-1958). The choir’s descant is by Richard Proulx (1937-2010). The text of the communion hymn, “Come, Behold! the Feast of Heaven,” full of scriptural allusions, is the work of the writer John F. Underwood (b. 1946). The tune (“Llanfair”), by the noted Welsh singer/composer, Robert Williams (1781-1821), was harmonized by the eminent Welsh musician and scholar, David Evans (1874-1948). The choir’s descant is by Lois Fyfe. The text of “God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens,” written by the Canadian-born psychologist, Catherine Arnott Cameron (b. 1927), was first found in a supplement (1969) published by the Inter-Lutheran Commission on Worship. The tune (“Holy Manna”) first appeared in William Moore’s The Columbian Harmony (1825). The choir’s descant is by Hal H. Hopson.

Organ Music: The prelude and postlude, based on an important Reformation hymn melody (for a hymn paraphrasing Psalm 51), were composed by the influential German organist, Heinrich Scheidemann (1595-1663), a leading figure in the musical life of the city of Hamburg.

Announcements & Opportunities

The **flowers** are given to the glory of God and in honor and celebration of Ms. Jean Robinson's 92nd birthday, from her loving children, grandchildren, and great-granddaughters.

This evening at 5:00 PM you are invited to attend our monthly **Service of Prayer for Wholeness and Healing**. This 45 minute service is held in our sanctuary each first Sunday evening of the month and is led by your pastor. Everyone is welcome to attend...spread the word.

Do not forget to **set your clocks forward** an hour this coming Saturday evening.

William McCorkle and colleagues will present a **concert of harpsichord music** this afternoon (March 4) at 3 p.m. in Wilson Hall at Washington and Lee. All are invited.

Congratulations to Cynthia Hintze for winning our Q&A game posted on The City. She won a free ticket to a Thantastic Thurs. meal/program. Watch The City for the next game!

Thursday (March 8th) Activities:

Lenten Services: 12:10pm, Manly Memorial Baptist Church; **speaker** for March 8th - Rev. Lyndon Sayers. A light lunch (\$5 cost) will follow the service in the church's fellowship hall. All services will be 30 minutes in length. All are invited.

Thursday Bible Study: 5:00pm, Brady Chapel; half-hour time of study, prayer, and worship. During the season of Lent you are encouraged to make our Thursday Prayer and Bible Study a Lenten discipline. All are welcome.

Thantastic Thursday: 5:45pm, Dunlap Aud. - Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)-an advocacy program through the court system to help abused & neglected children. Menu - Cindy Irby & Skip Hess will be joining to provide a St. Patrick's Day meal of corned beef, cabbage, roasted potatoes and carrots, spring salad with strawberries, Irish soda bread, and assorted desserts. Dunlap Auditorium 5:45pm, cost: \$6/person, \$16/family, under 5 & campus students free. Please try to RSVP by Tuesday evening before the event.

Mark your Calendars:

Community Table Volunteers - Monday, March 12th: Servers (6), 5:30 -7:00 and clean-up crew (6) 7:00-8:30. Sign up on the sheet in Murray Hall, or call Lori Inman at 615-585-4828 or email: LLWJPI@HOTMAIL.COM.

Congregational Life Committee will meet on Weds. March 14, 1:00 in the Dunlap kitchen

Music at Noon: Our noontime concert series returns with programs of organ music, given by William McCorkle and William Stewart, on Wednesdays, March 14 and 21.

March Book Discussion Mar. 21, 7-8pm, Brady Chapel - we'll be discussing Charles Dew's *The Making of a Racist: A Southerner Reflects on Family, History, and the Slave Trade*. Books available at The Bookery-10% off when using cash/check and mentioning this book study!

Seder Meal and Service: our Maundy Thursday service will involve a Seder service on Thursday, March 29, in Dunlap Aud., 5:30pm for a simple supper and Seder service. Never been and want to know what it's about - come and find out - you'll love it!

Habitat Women Build 2018 is scheduled for April-May. Leah Circle is organizing a team to help with interior work. Each team is asked to raise at least \$1,500 toward the build. Donations can be made out to Rockbridge Area Habitat for Humanity with 'Women Build-LPC Leah Circle' on the memo line. Give checks to Cynthia Hintze or to the church office.



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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
4 March 2018
11:00 AM

If you are carrying a cell phone or some other electronic device, please turn it off before worship begins.

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

MUSIC OF PREPARATION *Have Mercy on Me, O God*
Heinrich Scheidemann

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)
The heavens are telling the glory of God,
And all creation is shouting for joy.
Come, dance in the forest; come, play in the field,
And sing, sing to the glory of the Lord.

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP *The Heavens Are Telling*
Franz Josef Haydn

WELCOME

PRAYER OF ADORATION

✦ HYMN 157 *I Danced in the Morning*

A TIME OF CONFESSION

Prayer of Confession (unison)
Silent Confession
Assurance of Pardon
Congregational Response (responsive)
We are washed in the waters of God's grace.

Thanks be to God.

The Peace (responsive)
The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please ask an Usher for assistance with hearing devices
& large print bulletins*

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

SUN (3/4)	4 th -A-Meal Offering
	9:15 Youth Choir
	9:45 Sunday School
	11:00 Worship
	12:30 Confirmation Class
	3:00 Harpsicord Recital at W&L Wilson Hall
	5:00 Wholeness and Healing
	5:00 LTT
	6:00 Youth Group
	7:00 Lam Handbells
MON (3/5)	10:00 Helping Hands
	5:00 Communications Committee Meeting
TUES (3/6)	10:00 Lectio Divina
	7:00 Session Prayer
	7:30 Session
WEDS (3/7)	4:30 Youth Subcommittee
THURS (3/8)	12:00 Ruth Circle
	12:10 Lenten Service at Manly Baptist
	5:00 Bible Study
	5:45 Thantastic Thursday
	7:30 Adult Choir Rehearsal
SUN (3/11)	<i>Daylight Savings Time Begins Today</i>
	8:45 Informal Worship
	9:15 Youth Choir
	9:45 Sunday School
	11:00 Worship
	12:30 Confirmation Class
	5:00 LTT
	6:00 Youth Group
	7:00 Lam Handbells

RARA Pantry Item (March): Pasta/Spaghetti Sauce