

Lent

First Sunday
in

March 1, 2020

10:30 am • Cory Willson

Matthew 4:1-11

We are a purposeful community transformed by the love of God and engaging the world with the grace and truth of Jesus through the practice of Christian hospitality.

We welcome you into our community and our lives. Following this morning's worship, we invite you to join us for a cup of coffee in the Fellowship Hall.

Babies & Young Children

- A nursery for children 2 years and younger is next to the kitchen off of the Fellowship Hall. Following Children's Time in the service, 3, 4, and 5-year-old children, who have not yet started Kindergarten, are invited to continue worshipping in room 29.
- Families who have children entering "big church" for the first time, children ages 5-7, or visitors may get their worship bags off the hooks outside the nursery.
- Children's ages 7-9 are invited to pick up their worship bulletin from the back of the sanctuary.

Aids to Worship

Hearing assistance devices are available in the narthex. Please ask our greeters for assistance.

During Lent, you will see small pictures in the bulletin that symbolize 3 or 4 parts of the worship service. These symbols will help parents engage their children as interested worship participants by locating the same symbol in their child's own worship bulletin that has large spaces for drawing and wider lines for writing their responses. Children have been introduced to these practices in Children and Worship and Kid Connection.

worship order

We Gather to Worship the Triune God



Prelude (piano solo): *Trinity Song*

Sandra McCracken

Holy Father, Son and Spirit
Holy Communion, three-in-one
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Come with your peace, with your invitation
Bind us together in Holy Love
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***God's Greeting & Call to Worship**

***Song:** *Be Thou My Vision*

Red Hymnal 859

***Prayer of Confession** (unison):

High King of heaven,
we are your covenant people—
 one church, drawn from all nations.
 Our citizenship is in heaven.

Yet we confess you have not always been our vision.
We lose sight of your kingdom and its ways.
Truth be told,
We are quicker to live according to the Old Creation
than as citizens of your kingdom.

Forgive us for losing our distinctiveness.
Focus us on the cross and on your kingdom,
and free us to by your Spirit,
that our labor would not be in vain.
In the name of Jesus, the Christ, we pray. Amen.

*Please stand if you are able.

***Song: We Labor Unto Glory**

Craig Harris & Isaac Wardell



My God, my God where e'er I go, glo - ry.
(The) sun it shines and then goes down, glo - ry.
(My) heart, my hands, they're king - dom bound, glo - ry. Where



Where I reap and where I sow, glo - ry.
Rain, it pours and beats the ground, glo - ry.
thorns no lon - ger curse the ground, glo - ry.



When my hand, it grips the thorn glo - ry.
Dust, it blows and ends my days glo - ry.
Trim the wick and light the flame, glo - ry My



In the still and in the storm, glo - ry. Glo - ry. Oh, we
Hearts, they burn be - neath your gaze, glo - ry. Glo - ry.
work, it will not be in vain, glo - ry. Glo - ry.



la - bor un - to glo - ry til hea - ven and earth are one, oh we



la - bor un - to glo - ry, un - til God's king - dom comes.

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***Words of Assurance**

***We Greet One Another**

The Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Children's Time

(3-5-year-old children are invited to continue worshiping in room 29.)

We Present our Gifts & Offerings for...The Lord's work through AACRC

Choral Offertory: *The Kingdom of God Is Justice and Joy* text by Bryn Austin

The kingdom of God is justice and joy;
for Jesus restores what sin would destroy.
God's power and glory in Jesus we know,
and here and hereafter the kingdom shall grow.

The kingdom of God is mercy and grace;
the captives are freed, the sinners find place.
The outcasts are welcomed God's banquet to share,
and hope is awakened in place of despair.

The kingdom of God is challenge and choice;
believe the good news, repent and rejoice!
His love for us sinners brought Christ to his cross,
our crisis of judgment for gain or for loss.

God's kingdom is come, the gift and the goal;
in Jesus begun, in heaven made whole.
The heirs of the kingdom shall answer his call,
and all things cry "Glory!" to God All-in-all.

We Are Fed by God's Word and Table



Scripture Reading: Matthew 4:1-11

Sermon

Cory Willson

We Celebrate the Lord's Supper

Communion

This morning we celebrate communion. All who love Jesus Christ, trust in him alone for their salvation, and agree to be his disciple are invited to join with us in this celebration.

With thanks and joy, take the bread and dip it into the cup. If you are unable to proceed to the front of the sanctuary to partake of communion, remain seated and the elements will be brought to you.

Communion Songs:

Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

Red Hymnal 132

We Will Feast in the House of Zion

Sandra McCracken

*We will feast in the house of Zion.
We will sing with our hearts restored.
He has done great things, we will say together.
We will feast and weep no more.*

We will not be burned by the fire.
He is the Lord our God.
We are not consumed by the flood;
upheld, protected, gathered up.

Refrain

In the dark of night before the dawn,
my soul be not afraid.
For the promised morning oh how long,
oh God of Jacob be my strength.

Refrain

Every vow we've broken and betrayed.
You are the faithful one.
And from the garden to the grave,
bind us together, bring shalom.

Refrain

Prayers of the People

We Long to See You (Psalm 24)

Wendell Kimbrough



The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
 on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts,
 as we also have forgiven our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from the evil one.
For yours is the kingdom,
 and the power,
 and the glory, forever.
Amen.

We Go Out in God's Peace



***We Receive God's Parting Blessing**

***Sending Song:** *My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less*

Red Hymnal 772

***Postlude:** *The Solid Rock*

Lloyd Larson

Worship Leaders: Pastor Noah, Victor Chen, Jennifer Boes
Nigel Fernandez, Paul Herrema, Joe Yunkman, Dawn Zinsser, AACRC Choir

Dear Members:

Over the last five weeks we have been discerning if God is calling us into partnership with Olive Tree Community Church and if we are willing to offer them hospitality among us. Beginning March 1st, we are opening the voting process that can be accessed two ways: 1) by voting electronically in the link found in Connections or 2) by voting on a paper ballot found in the church office or at the Fellowship Hall welcome center. In the interest of having our community move forward together to show this hospitality, Council has set an 80% threshold for approval for this advisory vote and would appreciate your participation as we discern together.

next sunday • mar. 8

Faith Formation Hour • 9:15 am

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS:

- **Nursery** (Infants through 2 years old)
- **Preschool** (3 & 4 year olds) - Room 27
- **Kid Connection** (K-5th Grade) - Room 23
- **Middle School** (6th Grade - Room 13 & 7th-8th Grade - Room 12)
- **Reach** (9th-12th Grade) - Assist in Kid Connection

ADULTS:

- **House Groups**
- **BESEL** (Believers with Christian Seekers who speak English as a Second Language) - Rm 17
Heidelberg Catechism Study in English mixed in with Cultural Adjustment and Settlement for the Immigrants in the Promised Land and Beyond, HeonSoo Lee, Naomi Nah and Mark Schult. Special Activities: Last Sundays of each month.

Soup Group • 12:00 pm

If you are between the ages of 18-28(ish), you are invited to Soup Group following the worship service. Come, eat some soup and fellowship together!

New to Ann Arbor or AACRC?

We'd love to connect you in to what's happening here!

- Would you like to be added to our weekly email, Connections?
- Are you interested in having an assigned church mailbox to receive flyers and communications?
- Would you like to be added into our online Church Directory?

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PURPOSEFUL COMMUNITY
TRUTH

Please contact Rachel Redder in the church office: office@aacrc.org or 734.665.0105

announcements & reminders

Baby Bottle Boomerang - Please return bottles next Sunday, March 8

Its not too late! Don't forget to grab your bottle for the Baby Bottle Boomerang. This is a fund raiser that supports the work of Family Life Services.

Costa Rica High School Trip Fundraiser at Panera

A friendly reminder: Come eat at Panera and 20% of your purchase will go towards the High School Costa Rica Trip! Come on your way to Wed. night activities! This offer is available only on Wed., March 4 from 4-8 pm at the Ann Arbor Panera on Plymouth Road. You will need to bring the flyer (either paper or electronic) with you in order for your order to contribute. Flyers are in your mailbox with extras for your friends or family in box 8. Contact: Jocelyn Schiller.

Council Nominations

The council of AACRC is now in the process of evaluating nominations for the Service Deacon, Shepherding Elder, and President (first year as vice president) for the coming church year starting July 2020. If there is a member of the church that you think would serve well in these roles and you have informed them of your desire to nominate them, please send council the name and we will include it in the nomination process. We are asking that all nominations be submitted by Sunday, March 15.

Women's Ministry: Journey Together in Lent

The women (high school and older) are invited for a brunch potluck followed by a time of reflection as we pray with the Word on Saturday, March 14 at 9:30-11:00 am. Please bring a brunch dish to pass and your Bible. We would appreciate if you let us know you were coming; please email Deb Weener (rossandebweener@yahoo.com) by March 11. We would love for you to join us!

Single Night Housing Needed

We get to show our warm hospitality on Sunday, March 15 by housing Dordt University's Concert Choir Members. Students will pair up in twos or threes. Hosts are responsible for transportation to their homes after the concert, a place to sleep, a light breakfast for their student guests, and transportation back to AACRC between 7:30-8 a.m. Monday.

Please call or text Kim Hubers at 734-657-3397 with the number of students you would be willing to host ASAP! Please specify if you have a gender preference. Thanks in advance for sharing your home and wonderful selves!

Dordt University Concert Choir

The Dordt University Concert Choir from Sioux Center, Iowa, invites you to a concert at 7:30 p.m. on Sunday, March 15, right here at AACRC. Directed by Mr. Ryan Smit, the ensembles will perform a wide variety of choral music including hymn arrangements; spirituals; American folksongs; classics from Mozart, Brahms, and Britten; multi-cultural songs from around the globe; and profound works from exciting new composers. The choir will perform some a cappella works, and others will be accompanied by organ, harp, cello, and piano. The concert is free, with a freewill offering received to help defray tour expenses.

For those who remember Ellis Deibler

In God's providence, he is looking forward to celebrating his 90th birthday on March 13. He would be delighted to receive some form of birthday greeting from you:

Cards can be sent to:

Ellis Deibler
1203 W. 4th St. #617
Tahlequah, OK 74464

Or e-mail greetings to:

ew.deibler@gmail.com

Family Life Services 35-year Anniversary Gala

Family Life Services, a non-profit early pregnancy clinic and parenting resource center in Ypsilanti that supports women and families, is celebrating 35 years of service on Friday, March 13th, at the Eagle Crest Marriott in Ypsilanti. Keynote speaker Pam Tebow, mother of athlete Tim Tebow, will share her experiences and speak about the value of life. Family Life Services invites you to this evening of enlightenment, dinner, and dancing.

Please RSVP at flsfriends.org/gala or call 734.434.3088 by Friday, March 6th.

WinSome Women Retreats

Come to the spring 2020 WinSome Women retreats (May 12&13, 13&14 and 14&15). Enjoy enriching speakers, uplifting worship, and the ambiance of Grand Hotel on beautiful Mackinac Island. Hear award-winning musician Lynda Randle and dynamic international speaker Carol Kent. Come with your friends, be encouraged by gifted Bible teacher Michael Card and worship leader and speaker Sarah Schieber. Register at wswretreats.org for inspiration, fellowship and fun.

AACRC Weekly Calendar

Sunday, March 1

- 9:15 AM Faith Formation Hour
9:15 AM Big House Sunday
10:30 AM Morning Worship
7:30 PM Rotating Shelter

Monday, March 2

- 6:30 AM AA New Awakening

Tuesday, March 3

- 6:30 AM AA New Awakening
10:00 AM International Coffee Break
11:15 PM International Coffee Break
7:00 PM Tuesday Dinner @ Lindquist's
7:15 PM Praise Team Rehearsal

Wednesday, March 4

- 6:30 AM AA New Awakening
6:30 AM Men's Bible Study
8:00 AM Men's Bible Study
9:00 AM Side by Side
10:00 AM Women's Ministry Bible Study
6:30 PM Cadets/GEMS/Roots
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal
7:00 PM Women's Ministry Bible Study

Thursday, March 5

- 6:30 AM AA New Awakening
10:00 AM Prayer Group
10:00 AM Crafters
1:15 PM Bible Study
6:00 PM New Life
7:00 PM Friendship Ministry

Friday, March 6

- 6:30 AM AA New Awakening
6:30 PM ISI Bible Study
7:30 PM FaHoLo

Saturday, March 7

- 9:30 AM YogaFaithShalom
8:00 AM Classis

Sunday, March 8

- 9:15 AM Faith Formation Hour
9:15 AM House Groups
10:30 AM Morning Worship
12:00 PM Soup Group

Assisting This Week 3/1

Coffee Servers

- 10:30 Hank & Carla Byma
Scott & De Anna Stephenson

Nursery

- 9:15 Barb Buiten, Sarita Schoenebeck
10:30 Sean Kim, Kim Hubers,
Rens Bush

Children & Worship

- 10:30 De Anna Stephenson, Barb Buiten,
Jack & Joe Stephenson

Communion Servers

- 10:30 Joel & Nancy Hofman
Paul & Michelle Machiele

Assisting Next Week 3/8

Coffee Servers

- 10:30 Tom & Kat Stermer
Jack & Gladys Thonus

Nursery

- 9:15 Mary Herrema, Jacob Bennink
10:30 Anita Lautenbach, Rachel Bush
Sara Bush

Children & Worship

- 10:30 Debbie Bigelow, Justin Schiller
Johanna Lautenbach, TBD

Communion Servers

- 10:30 Larry & Louise Gruppen
Tim Johnson, Jim Knol



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