

CRUMC Worship Guide-UMCOR Sunday
March 27, 2022 @ 10 AM
4th Sunday In Lent

Gathering Music

Welcome

A Song of Praise: *Blessed Be Your Name*

Blessed Be Your Name In the land that is plentiful
Where Your streams of abundance flow
Blessed be Your name

Blessed Be Your name When I'm found in the desert
place Though I walk through the wilderness
Blessed Be Your name

***Pre-Chorus: Every blessing You pour out, I'll
Turn back to praise When the darkness closes in,
Lord Still I will say***

***Chorus: Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your glorious name***

Blessed be Your name
When the sun's shining down on me
When the world's 'all as it should be'
Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name
On the road marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering
Blessed be Your name

[Repeat Pre-Chorus and Chorus]

***Bridge: You give and take away You give and take
away My heart will choose to say
Lord, blessed be Your name***

[Repeat Bridge, Pre-Chorus, and Chorus]

Call to Worship:

Come, let us celebrate the forgiving,
reconciling love of God.

**For once we were lost and felt so far away;
now we have been found and welcomed home.**

Know that God's love is lavished upon you forever.

We rejoice at the news of forgiveness and hope!

Come, let us celebrate and praise the God of Love.

Amen!

Prayer of Confession:

O God, when we keep silence about our sin, we waste away with regret and guilt; we feel your hand upon us, and our strength dries up. And so we acknowledge our sin to you, holding nothing back, for you are a hiding place for us; we trust in you to preserve us. Forgive us and reclaim us, we pray. Amen.

A Time for Children with Diane Varnum

**A Song of Centering: *Amazing Grace
(My Chains Are Gone)***

Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost, but now I'm found
Was blind, but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed

***Chorus: My chains are gone, I've been set free
My God, my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy reigns
Unending love, Amazing grace***

The Lord has promised good to me His word my
hope secures He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures

[Repeat Chorus 2 times]

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow The sun
forbear to shine But God who called me here below
Will be forever mine, will be forever mine
You are forever mine

A Time of Giving with Doxology Special Music

Scripture: Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32[NRSV]

15 Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. **2** And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

3 So he told them this parable: **11**"There was a man who had two sons. **12** The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. **13** A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country,

and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. ¹⁴ When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. ¹⁵ So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. ¹⁶ He would gladly have filled himself with^[b] the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. ¹⁷ But when he came to himself he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger!’ ¹⁸ I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; ¹⁹ I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands.’” ²⁰ So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. ²¹ Then the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’^[c] ²² But the father said to his slaves, ‘Quickly, bring out a robe—the best one—and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. ²³ And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; ²⁴ for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!’ And they began to celebrate. ²⁵ ‘Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. ²⁶ He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. ²⁷ He replied, ‘Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.’ ²⁸ Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. ²⁹ But he answered his father, ‘Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. ³⁰ But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!’ ³¹ Then the father^[d] said to him, ‘Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. ³² But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.’”

This Is the Word of God for the People of God.
Thanks be to God.

Message

UNDEFEATED: THE FATHER’S LOVE DOESN’T GIVE UP ON HIS CHILDREN

A Song of Invitation

Softly and Tenderly, UMH #348

Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling,
calling for you and for me;
see, on the portals he's waiting and watching,
watching for you and for me.

***Chorus: Come home, come home;
you who are weary come home;
earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling,
calling, O sinner, come home!***

Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading,
pleading for you and for me?
Why should we linger and heed not his mercies,
mercies for you and for me?

[Repeat Chorus]

Time is now fleeting, the moments are passing,
passing from you and from me;
shadows are gathering, deathbeds are coming,
coming for you and for me.

Repeat Chorus]

O for the wonderful love he has promised,
promised for you and for me!
Though we have sinned, he has mercy and
pardon, pardon for you and for me.

[Repeat Chorus]

The Blessing with The Benediction:

The Lord bless you and keep you
make His face shine upon you
and be gracious to you.
The Lord turn His face toward you
and give you peace. Amen.

Postlude