

**March 13, 2016**  
**Fifth Sunday in Lent**

**Prelude:** Prelude in D Major      Dietrich Buxtehude

**Chiming of the Hour**

**\*Hymn:** #372 *How Firm A Foundation*

**Welcome**

**Joys and Concerns**

**Choral Introit:** *Holy, Holy, Holy*

**Call to Worship**

One: God's spirit is moving among us; give thanks!  
Our God is about to do a new thing in our midst.

**All: How good it is to be chosen by God;  
We gather to sing our praises and thanks.**

One: God has done great things for us; we are glad!  
Now God is pointing us toward new goals.

**All: We are waiting to hear what God would have  
us do; we are ready to risk new behaviors to  
be faithful.**

One: Into the wilderness of our lives comes living  
water. Into the sorrow of our days comes reason  
for joy.

**All: Forgetting what lies behind, we greet our  
future; we press on, responding to the  
upward call of Christ.**

One: Come, let us worship God together!

**Prayer of Invocation (in unison)**

Come to this sanctuary, this house, this home, Holy  
Christ, and let us receive you with lavish welcome.

You are the Restorer of our fortunes, the Promise of  
new life – we pour out our praise to you.

Fill this room with your Spirit: the sound of wind, the  
warmth of flame, the scent of perfume. And fill our  
hearts with your compassion, not just in this time and  
place, but in all times and in all places, so that as we  
celebrate the great things you have done for us, we may  
also embody the love you give to all. Amen.

**Call to Confession**

**Prayer of Confession (in unison)**

We confess, Anointed One, that we excuse ourselves  
from reaching out to those who need your care. We take  
your words – that there will always be unmet needs – as  
a reason not to try to meet the needs we can. Forgive us,  
and help us to change. Renew our determination to live  
as faithful followers, faithful disciples, faithful  
Christians. Help us to work with you for the well-being  
of your creation, that the fortunes of all your peoples  
may be restored. Hear now our silent confessions as we  
seek your mercy, forgiveness and grace.

***Moment of silent prayer***

**Assurance of God's Love**

**Gloria Patri:** *Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and  
to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and  
ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

**Responsive Reading – Psalm 126**

(Page 704 HS in the pew bible)

**Hebrew Scripture Reading – Isaiah 43:16-21**

(Page 823 HS in the pew bible)

**Welcoming New Covenant Partners**

We welcome:

Hatsie Baltus, Kathy & Michael Voldstad, Lorna & Dan  
Edmunson, Tom Morrison, Pam & Greg Arifian, Ryan  
Gackenheimer and Charlie Norman.

*We covenant with God and with one another to walk in  
God's holy ways. We unite for the worship of God and for  
continued striving to know and to do God's will and for  
the service of God and humanity. We acknowledge this  
Church to be part of all those in every age and nation who  
are united by the Holy Spirit of God in Christ, and we  
dedicate ourselves to serve this community according to  
our strength, ability and opportunity.*

**Children's Message and Lord's Prayer**

*(Children leave for Sunday School and Youth Discussion  
Group)*

**\*Hymn:** *A Prophet-Woman Broke a Jar (Insert)*

**Offering of our Gifts**

**Anthem:** *God So Loved The World*      John Stainer

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

**Prayer of Dedication**

**Gospel Reading – John 12:1-8**

(Page 129 in the pew bible)

**Sermon:** "Looking Forward"

Reverend Diane Monti-Catania

**Pastoral Prayer and Silent Prayer**

**Response:** *Holy, Holy, Holy*

**\*Hymn:** *To God Be The Glory (Insert)*

**Benediction**

**Choral Response:** *Holy, Holy, Holy*

**Postlude:** Fugue in D Major      Dietrich Buxtehude  
(\* Please stand if able.)

*Please join us in the Parish Hall for refreshments and  
fellowship following worship.*

*Our hosts today are Amanda Roberts & Jano Fairservis.*

Our ushers today are Erik & Orrin Rydingsword.

Our Lay Reader today is Linda Estabrook.

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*Prayer List*

*Rosie Bell, Nancy Tuckerman, Barbara Jacquette, Mary  
Wadsworth, Gloria Buckley, Petie Robinson, Sue Bucceri,  
Jeri Johnson, Nancy Smith, Dick Dwelley, Louise "Weezie"  
Hannegan, Marshall Schwarz, Jane, Chris, family and  
friends of Jim Aitchison and George Phinney.*

<b>CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK</b>	
Monday	3:30 pm SOAR Fencing in the Parish Hall 6 pm Salisbury Band Rehearsal in the Parish Hall
Tuesday	9 am Music Committee Meeting 5:15 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
Wednesday	10:30 am Scoville Memorial Library's Toddler Story Time in the Parish Hall 7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	8:30 am "Silent" Retreat 10 am Scoville Memorial Library's Literary Series in the Parish Hall 4:30 pm Women's Spirituality 7 pm HousaTonics Rehearsal
Friday	8 am Men's Bible Study
Sunday	Palm Sunday 11:30 am Church Council

## OPPORTUNITIES

### EASTER LILY SIGN UP

If you would like to dedicate an Easter lily in honor or in memory of your loved one please call the church office or pick up a dedication form in the church. Plants are \$15 each and will decorate our sanctuary. The deadline for dedications is March 21<sup>st</sup>.

### SILVER LAKE SUMMER CAMP

Registration for Silver Lake Conference Center in Sharon is now open. Take a look at the many great offerings by visiting: [www.silverlake.ctucc.org](http://www.silverlake.ctucc.org). Brochures can also be picked up at the Opportunity Table at Church.

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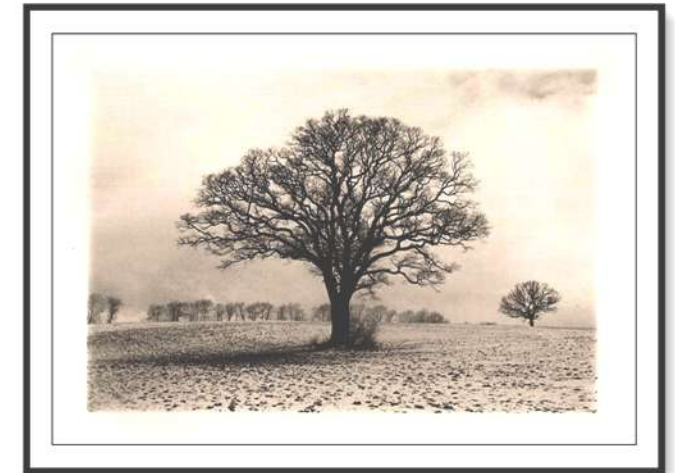
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