

Order of Worship for 4/3/2022
The Congregational Church of Austin
Fifth Sunday In Lent

Zoom link for Joys & Concerns: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2057847210>

Link to PDF of Hymns for larger print:

Prelude & Receiving the Light of Christ: Rondo gracioso from Sonata III - Joseph Boulogne

Welcome (Rev. Amelia)

Words for Centering: “Blessed Are the Queer” by Helen Rose

Blessed are the wanderers,
Seeking affirmation.
Blessed are the worshipers,
Praying from closets,
Pulpits, pews, and hardship.
Blessed are the lovers of leaving—
Leaving family and familiarity,
Leaving tables
Where love is not being served.
Blessed are those who stay.
Blessed are those
Who hunger and thirst for justice –
For they will be satisfied.
Blessed are the queer
Disciples of Truth,
Living, breathing, sacred
Reflections of Divine Love.

Hymn of Praise: Black Hymnal #4 “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You”

Reading: John 12:1-8

Reflection: “Jesus, Mary, and Gender”

Hymn of Reflection: Black Hymnal #332 “As We Gather at Your Table”

Communion

Invitation to the Table
Words of Institution
Sharing the Meal

Offering invitation

Music: Romanze from Sonata 7 in A - Ethel Smyth

Doxology (*Tune: All Creatures Of Our God and King*)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God all creatures here below. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Praise God for all that love has done. Creator, Christ, and Spirit One.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord's Prayer (New Zealand/Maori Anglican Liturgy)

Eternal Spirit,

Earth-maker, Pain bearer, Life-giver,

Source of all that is and that shall be,

Father and Mother of us all,

Loving God, in whom is heaven:

The hallowing of your name echo through the universe;

The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world;

Your heavenly will be done by all created beings;

Your commonwealth of peace and freedom

sustain our hope and come on earth.

With the bread we need for today, feed us.

In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.

In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.

From trial too great to endure, spare us.

From the grip of all that is evil, free us.

For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,

now and forever. Amen.

Sending Song: Red Hymnal #692 "Spirit, Open My Heart"

Carrying the Light Into the World

Benediction

Postlude: Piñata Dance J. Geer

Leading In Today's Service:

Jen Howicz, Deacon of the Week

Rev. Amelia Fulbright, Transitional Pastor

Kyle Riley, Director of Online Ministries

Jonathan Geer, Piano

Amy Harris, Violin