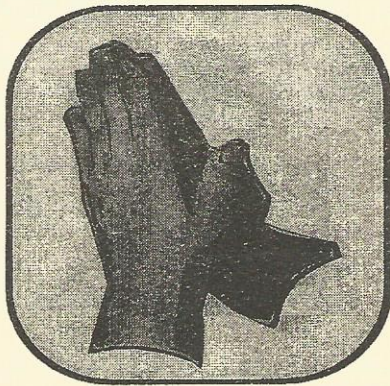


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Prayer is



The Prayer of Intercession

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MID~WEEK LENTEN SERVICE

MARCH 21, 2001

- PRELUDE “Sheep May Safely Graze” (*by Bach*) - Pickaway Brass
 “Amazing Grace” (*traditional*) - Pickaway Brass
 “Glory to God” (*by Handel*) - Pickaway Brass

ANNOUNCEMENTS

“BACK TO THE CROSS”

1. Back to the cross I go again, so oft as I have sinned,
To sing again the glad refrain that Jesus is my Friend.

Hard by the cross where not a soul has ever been cast out,
I prostrate fall, confessing all, and banish every doubt. —repeat

2. Back to the cross, my prayer and praise at early dawn I bring;
And there His grace in joyful lays my heart in peace shall sing.

Hard by the cross at eventide, when all my work is done,
Secure I hide in His cleft side my failures every one. —repeat

3. Back to the cross in haste I go with each returning day.
For well I know His blood doth flow to wash my sin away.

Hard by the cross each day I rest and learn at Jesus’ feet.
My King’s behest, —till with the blest in their sweet home I meet. —
repeat

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APOSTOLIC GREETING

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the
 communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: And also with you.

A LITANY

Pastor: This is the message which you have heard from the beginning
 that we should love one another.

People: Help us to express our love to all people, O Lord.

Pastor: This is His commandment, that we should believe in the name
 of His Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another.

People: Help us to express our love to all people, O Lord.

Pastor: He made from one every nation of people to live on all the face
 of the earth.

People: Help us to express our love to all people, O Lord.

Pastor: There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free; for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

People: Help us to express our love to all people, O Lord.

Pastor: As you wish that people would do to you, do so to them.

**People: Help us to express our love to all people, O Lord,
Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

**O God, Who has in Your great wisdom prepared for each one of us our task to do for You, give us, we beseech You, honesty and patience, that we may seek to know Your will for us, and may dedicate our lives to serve You where we are needed. Enlighten the perplexed, strengthen the faint-hearted, rouse the indifferent, and kindle in us all the fire of true devotion; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

LESSON: Genesis 18:20-33

GOSPEL: John 17:6-21

SERMON *"Because He Cares"*

HYMN 425 "O God of Mercy, God of Light" insert #1

OFFERING

"Alleluia" (by Mozart) Pickaway Brass

HYMN 439 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" - vs. 1 insert #2

DIRECTED PRAYER

HYMN 439 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" - vs. 2-3 insert #2

CLOSING PRAYER

HYMN 272 "Abide with Me" insert #3

POSTLUDE "Just a Closer Walk" (arr. Don Gillis) - Pickaway Brass

SERVING TONIGHT:

USHERS: Tom & Barb Bevan, Beth Wilburn, Russell Caudy, Dorothy Gilmore; LECTOR: Dale Edwards; CRUCIFER: Renee Riegel; ACOLYTE: J. D. River; NURSERY: Linda Stevenson; KEYBOARD: Diane Allison

YOU ARE INVITED to Noecker Hall following the service for refreshments and fellowship. Thanks to our LYO for providing the refreshments this evening.

NEXT WEEK'S SERMON theme is "The Prayer in Times of Personal Need."

NEXT WEEK'S BIBLE STUDY, led by Pastor Hanf, is on *Confessions and Forgiveness in Prayer*.

WEDNESDAY LENTEN MEAL: Please sign up at the Involvement Center if you plan to enjoy next week's meal. Meals begin at 5:45, and the Bible Study at 6:20. A children's activity is also provided during the study.

SPECIAL THANKS TO Dick & Lyn Fisher and Bill & Janet Blair with help from other members of Free To Be & Do for tonight's meal.

SELF-DENIAL FOLDERS—If you haven't picked up your folder yet, remember to do so tonight. Folder money has been designated for the Community Mission (Lowery Lane).