

Sunday 7th. March, 2021 11a.m.
The Third Sunday in Lent
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Scripture Sentence

Welcome & Intimations

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

**Merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you
with our whole heart and mind and strength.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy, forgive what we have been,
help us amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be,
that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways
to the glory of your holy name. AMEN.**

Scripture: St. John 2:13-22

Hymn 10 The stars declare his glory; (Psalm 19)

- 1 The stars declare his glory;
the vault of heaven springs
mute witness of the Master's hand
in all created things,
and through the silences of space
their soundless music sings.
- 2 The dawn returns in splendour,
the heavens burn and blaze,
the rising sun renews the race
that measures all our days,
and writes in fire across the skies
God's majesty and praise.
- 3 So shine the Lord's commandments
to make the simple wise;
more sweet than honey to the taste,
more rich than any prize,
a law of love within our hearts,
a light before our eyes.
- 4 So order too this life of mine,
direct it all my days;
the meditations of my heart
be innocence and praise,
my Rock, and my redeeming Lord,
in all my words and ways.

Sermon

Musical Interlude

Prayer of Intercession and the Lord's Prayer

**Our Father which art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy Name.**

Thy Kingdom come.

Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:

**For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for
ever. Amen.**

Hymn 151 All you works of God, vv.1, 2,3,6,7

*Chorus All you works of God,
Every mountain, star and tree,
Bless the One who shapes your beauty,
Who has caused you all to be
One great song of love and grace,
Ever ancient, ever new.
Raise your voices, all you works of God.*

1 Sun and moon: Bless your Maker!
Stars of heaven: Chant your praise!
Showers and dew: Raise up your joyful song!

2 Winds of God: Bless your Maker!
Cold and winter: Chant your praise!
Snow storms and ice: Raise up your joyful song!

3 Night and day: Bless your Maker!
Light and darkness: Chant your praise!
Lightnings and clouds: Raise up your joyful song!

6 Flying birds: Bless your Maker!
Beasts and cattle: Chant your praise!
Children at play: Raise up your joyful song!

7 All who live: Bless your Maker!
Men and women: Chant your praise!
Servants of God: Raise up your joyful song!

Marty Haughen (b.1950)

Benediction

Choral Amen (3-fold.)