

# Wandering Heart: Finding Faith with Peter

Sunday, March 3, 2024

Third Sunday of Lent

## God's People Gather

### Welcome

### Mission & Service Birthday/Anniversary Recognition

Happy birthday to you,  
to Jesus be true,  
May God's gracious blessings  
rest always with you.

### Announcements

### Introit & Lighting of the Christ Candle

*Please remain seated.*

### **Come, O Fount of Every Blessing**

*Robert Robinson*

Come, O Fount of every blessings,  
daily I am drawn to you.  
Let that grace now, like a fetter,  
bind my wandering heart to you.  
Prone to wander, I can feel it,  
wander from the love I've known:  
here's my heart, O, take and seal it,  
seal it for your very own.  
Hallelujah, we sing.  
Hallelujah, we sing.  
Hallelujah, we sing.

### Prayer of Confession

### Prayer of Assurance

### Opening Hymn **When Morning Gilds the Skies** (Voices United 339)

*Words: German hymn 1828; English trans. v. 1 & 3 Robert Seymour Bridges 1899;  
v. 2 & 4 Edward Caswall 1854*

*Music: Joseph Barnby 1868; desc. Reginald S. Thatcher 1946*

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- 1 When morning gilds the skies,  
my heart awakening cries:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!  
When evening shadows fall,  
this rings my curfew call:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!
- 2 To God, the Word on high,  
the hosts of angels cry:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!  
Let mortals, too, upraise  
their voice in hymns of praise:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!
- 3 Let all of humankind  
in this their concord find:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!  
Let all the earth around  
ring joyous with the sound:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!
- 4 Be this, while life is mine,  
my canticle divine:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!  
Be this th'eternal song,  
through all the ages long:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!

### A Time To Wonder

## Listening for God's Word

Anthem Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee Benjamin Harlan

### Scripture Readings

Psalm 19  
Matthew 16: 13-20

Reflection "Praise The Mount"

Hymn **Be Thou My Vision** (Voices United 642, vs. 1, 2, 4 & 5)

Words: Irish ca. 8<sup>th</sup> century; trans. Mary Elizabeth Bryne 1905; vers. Eleanor H. Hull 1912, alt.  
Music: Irish traditional melody  
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- 1 Be thou my vision, O joy of my heart;  
naught be all else to me save that thou art,  
thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
waking or sleeping thy presence my light.
- 2 Be thou my wisdom, my calm in all strife;  
I ever with thee, and thou in my life;  
thou loving parent, thy child may I be,  
thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.
- 4 Riches I heed not, nor vain empty praise,  
thou mine inheritance, now and always;  
thou and thou only, the first in my heart,  
great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.
- 5 Great God of heaven, after victory won,  
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
still be my vision, O ruler of all.

## Responding to God's Grace

### Presenting Our Gifts

Choral Response *Please stand in body or spirit.*

### **For the Gift of Creation**

(Voices United 538)

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For the gift of creation, the gift of your love,  
and the gift of the Spirit by which we live,  
we thank you and give you the fruit of our hands.  
May your grace be proclaimed by the gifts that we give.

### Blessing Of Our Gifts

### Joys and Concerns

### Pastoral Prayers & The Lord's Prayer

### Parting Hymn

### **He Came Singing Love**

(Voices United 359)

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- 1 He came singing love and he lived singing love;  
he died singing love.  
He arose in silence.  
For the love to go on we must make it our song;  
you and I be the singers.
- 2 He came singing faith and he lived singing faith;  
he died singing faith.  
He arose in silence.  
For the faith to go on we must make it our song;  
you and I be the singers.
- 3 He came singing hope and he lived singing hope;  
he died singing hope.  
He arose in silence.  
For the hope to go on we must make it our song;  
you and I be the singers.

- 4 He came singing peace and he lived singing peace;  
he died singing peace.  
He arose in silence.  
For the peace to go on we must make it our song;  
you and I be the singers.

### Benediction

### Choral Response **Wherever You May Go** (More Voices 216)

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Wherever you may go, I will follow,  
and your people shall be my people too.  
Wherever you may go, I will follow,  
for I would be faithful, loyal and true.

*The third candle of Lent is extinguished.*

### Postlude Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven

*Henry Francis Lyte/John Goss, arranged by Lani Smith*

Worship Leaders – Pastor Beth Parsons  
Music Leader – Sharon Prindle-Collins  
Welcoming – Stephen Godfrey  
Greeters – Marlo, Maelynn and McKinley Taylor  
Lighting of the Christ Candle – Marcia Goodwin  
Spirit Kids – Marcia Goodwin  
Scripture Reading – Louise Johnston  
Presenting and Blessing of Our Gifts – Peggy Dayton  
Technical Support – Karen Clark and Rob Glenn  
Fellowship Time – Andy and the Queens of Caffeine