

324 For All the Faithful Women

Capo 3: (C) (Am7) (F) (G) (C)
 Eb Cm7 Ab Bb Eb

1 For all the faith - ful wom - en who served in
 2 We praise your name for Mir - iam, who sang tri -
 3 We sing of bus - y Mar - tha, who toiled with
 4 Lord, hear our praise of Dor - cas, who served the

(G) (C) (Am7) (Dm) (G)
 Bb Eb Cm7 Fm Bb

days of old, to you shall thanks be giv - en; to
 um - phant - ly while Pha - raoh's vaunt - ed ar - my lay
 pot and pan while Mar - y sat in si - lence to
 sick and poor. Her hands were cups of kind - ness, her

(C) (G7) (C) (Am)
 Eb Bb7 Eb Cm

all, their sto - ry told. They served with strength and
 drowned be - neath the sea; for Ruth, who left her
 hear the word a - gain. We praise the oth - er
 heart an o - pen door. O God, for saints and

(D) (G) (F) (G) (C)
 F Bb Ab Bb Eb

glad - ness in tasks your wis - dom gave. To you their
 home - land and ven - tured forth in faith, who pledged to
 Mar - y, who has - tened to the tomb and found her
 ser - vants, our fer - vent prayer we raise, that, faith - ful

(Am7) (F) (G) (C) (Dm) (G) (C)
 Cm7 Ab Bb Eb Fm Bb Eb

lives bore wit - ness, pro - claimed your power to save.
 serve and wor - ship Na - o - mi's God till death.
 Lord a - ris - en, dis - pel - ling doubt and gloom.
 in your ser - vice, our lives may sing your praise.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.
 Created to honor the tenth anniversary of the first ordination of a woman in the Lutheran Church in America, this text celebrates representative women of the Bible: Miriam and Ruth from Hebrew Scripture, Mary, Martha, and Mary Magdalene from the gospels, and Dorcas from Acts.

Welcome to Riverside Presbyterian Church

February 18, 2018 ~ First Sunday of Lent

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CHIMING THE HOUR

WELCOME

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

* PASSING OF THE PEACE (Responsive)
 The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

PRELUDE & LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE
Kum Ba Yah

arr. Behnke

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)
 The journey of Lent is at hand. Are you ready?
Not really. We have so much still to do.
 God calls to us now. The Peace of God is at hand.
What will be required of us for this journey?

Open your hearts and spirits. Take the risk of discipleship.
**God, help us to be ready. Calm our fears as we step forward
gathering us into the presence of your peace, listening to the
deep sighs of our hearts.**

* HYMN 85 *What Wondrous Love Is This*

* CALL TO CONFESSION

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)
**God of the rainbow, you made a covenant with all creatures,
promising life and hope. God of pathways, you show us how
we should walk. Yet we forget our connection with one another
and think that we are the center of the universe. We wander
from your paths of truth into paths of deceit and pride. Forgive
us and lead us back into the arms of your love.**

Silence is kept.

* ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

* HYMN *You Are the Lord, Giver of Mercy!*
**You are the Lord, giver of mercy!
You are the Christ, giver of mercy!
You are the Lord, giver of mercy!**

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

TIME WITH CHILDREN *Children are invited forward*
**In my heart there rings a melody, there rings a melody with
heaven's harmony; in my heart there rings a melody; there
rings a melody of love.**

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE Genesis 16, 21:9-21

MEDITATION *The Story of Hagar*

* HYMN

For All the Faithful Women

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

INVITATION TO OFFER OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY *In the Garden* Miles/Dobrinski

* HYMN 428 vs 1 *We Give Thee but Thine Own*
**We give Thee but Thine own, whate'er the gift may be;
all that we have is Thine alone, a trust O Lord, from Thee.**

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER
**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy
kingdom come, thy will be done, on 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, forever. Amen.**

* HYMN 362 *I Love the Lord, Who Heard My Cry*

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Promenade from Pictures at an Exhibition*
Mussorgsky/Guillou

* *You are invited to stand if able.*