

"You enter this church not as a stranger, but as a child of God."

Church in the Forest

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The Third Sunday in

LENT

February 28, 2016 • 9:30 am

Philip Doddridge (1702–1751)
John Logan, 1781; alt.

Scottish Psalter, 1615

1. O God of Beth - el, by whose hand Thy peo - ple still are fed,
 2. Our vows, our prayers, we now pre - sent Be - fore Thy throne of grace;
 3. Through each per - plex - ing path of life Our wan - dering foot - steps guide;
 4. O spread Thy cov - ering wings a - round Till all our wan - derings cease,

Who through this wea - ry pil - grim - age Hast all Thy ser - vants led,
 God of past a - ges, be the God Of each suc - ceed - ing race.
 Give us each day our dai - ly bread, And rai - ment fit pro - vide.
 And at our God's be - loved a - bode Our souls ar - rive in peace.

Presiding Minister	The Rev. Dr. William B. Rolland		
Assistant Minister and Bible Study	The Rev. Ken Feske		
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Afterwards, the minister welcomes the congregation and invites us to stand

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: Search us, O God, and know our hearts this day.

People: Try us and know our thoughts we pray.

Minister: See if there be any wicked way in us.

People: And lead us in the way of everlasting life.

Minister: Let us worship the Lord our God.

The hymn is sung on page 2 — and then the service continues on page 4

Open Your Heart to the *Holy*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray. Merciful God, in Christ you make all things new. Transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 55:1-9

Dave Mackie

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 13

Responsively

How long, O Lord? will you forget me for ever?
how long will you hide your face from me?

**How long shall I have perplexity in my mind, and grief in my heart, day after day?
how long shall my enemy triumph over me?**

Look upon me and answer me, O Lord my God;
give light to my eyes, lest I sleep in death;

**Lest my enemy say, "I have prevailed over him,"
and my foes rejoice that I have fallen.**

But I put my trust in your mercy;
my heart is joyful because of your saving help.

**I will sing to the Lord, for he has dealt with me richly;
I will praise the Name of the Lord Most High.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

THE SECOND LESSON

Luke 13:1-9

THE SERMON

“The Lowdown on Lent”

the Rev. Dr. William B. Rolland

Afterwards the minister will ask all to stand

THE CREED

**We are not alone,
we live in God's world.**

We believe in God:

**who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the Spirit.**

We trust in God.

**We are called to be the Church,
to celebrate God's presence,
to live with respect in Creation,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our Judge and our Hope.**

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.

We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

—A New Creed from the United Church of Canada

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A warm welcome to one and all on this third Sunday in Lent. As we gather together to worship in this special season, we are aware that it is God who comes to us and all we must do is receive that gift with humility and gladness.

If you are visiting today, we offer you a special welcome and invite you to return. Please take a moment to fill out the visitor card and place it in the offering plate as it is passed to you. If you are interested in uniting with the Church in the Forest, please look for **Marilyn Kren**, our Membership Chair, and share with her your interest. A *New Member Intake* is scheduled for **Sunday, April 3, (new date)** with a luncheon for these folks afterwards at the Manse; if you are interested please let **Marilyn** or one of the clergy know.

A special thanks to **Solmaaz Adeli**, mezzo-soprano, our musical guest this morning. It is wonderful to have you back!

Please join friends at the coffee and fellowship time following the service. Thank you to **Paula Beckman** for the great cookies today.

The flowers at the altar this morning are given by **Shirley and Gary Gregersen**, "In celebration of our great granddaughter's (Evelyn Ann) first birthday." The Church Board has approved a change in flower sponsorship to \$75 to help offset the increased cost of flowers. Please note that we can have two flower sponsors per week!

Might YOU be able to assist in worship? Greeting people as they arrive and then ushering; carrying in the cross as crucifer, which also entails reading the daily psalm; or reading the first lesson of the day as lector. Please sign up on the bulletin board if you might be able to help... and then there are bakers needed, too!

The Church has three groups to which the congregation forwards names of those interested in serving: the Nominating Committee for the coming year, the Board of the Church, and the Fund for the Future committee. Let us know if you are interested in serving.

Tuesday, March 1, Small Study Group led by **Ken Feske** at the home of **Raymond and Carol Williams**, 3945 Ronda Road, PB; **10:15-11:30 am**. Topic: "Teachable Heart" — *Acts 10:1-23*

A Celebration for the Life of **Erl Lagerholm** has been set for **Sunday, March 13, at 2:00 pm** at Church in the Forest.

BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY PRAYER

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom

and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Let us offer ourselves and our gifts to God.

THE OFFERING

Marietta's Lied from Die tote Stadt E. Korngold

After the alms are gathered, the congregation rises and sings the Doxology

THE DOXOLOGY

Thomas Ken, 1695, 1709 Genevan Psalter, 1551

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; Praise Him, all crea-tures
 here be-low; Praise Him a-bove, ye heav-en-ly host;
 Praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A-men.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

After the prayer, the hymn follows on the next page

American spiritual

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1. Je - sus walked this lone - some val - ley, He had to
 2. We must walk this lone - some val - ley, We have to
 3. You must go and stand your tri - al, You have to

walk it by Him - self; O, no - bod - y else could walk it
 walk it by our - selves; O, no - bod - y else can walk it
 stand it by your - self, O, no - bod - y else can stand it

for Him, He had to walk it by Him - self.
 for us, We have to walk it by our - selves.
 for you, You have to stand it by your - self.

The minister continues and you may sit or kneel

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
 Let us pray:

**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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
 For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
 for ever and ever. Amen.**

Show us your mercy, O Lord;
And grant us your salvation.
 Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
Let your people sing with joy.
 Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
For only in you can we live in safety.
 Lord, keep this nation under your care;
And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
 Let your way be known upon earth;
Your saving health among all nations.
 Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
 Create in us clean hearts, O God;
And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

THE PRAYERS

The minister will lead the prayers and conclude each prayer with:

We pray to the Lord.

The congregation will then respond:

Lord hear our prayer.

Concluding prayer in unison

O God, the fountain of life, to a humanity parched with thirst you offer the living water of grace which springs up from the rock, our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant your people the gift of your Spirit, that we may learn to profess our faith with courage and announce with joy the wonder of your love. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Please stand for the hymn on the following page

In unison

1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What
 2 When I was sink-ing down, sink-ing down, sink-ing down; when
 3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing; to
 4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on; and

won-drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is this that
 I was sink-ing down, sink-ing down; when I was sink-ing down be-
 God and to the Lamb I will sing; to God and to the Lamb, who
 when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and when from death I'm free, I'll

caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dread-ful curse for my
 neath God's righ-teous frown, Christ laid a-side his crown for my
 is the great "I Am," while mil-lions join the theme, I will
 sing and joy-ful be, and through e-ter-ni-ty I'll sing

soul, for my soul; to bear the dread-ful curse for my soul.
 soul, for my soul; Christ laid a-side his crown for my soul.
 sing, I will sing; while mil-lions join the theme, I will sing.
 on, I'll sing on; and through e-ter-ni-ty I'll sing on.

At the conclusion, the minister performs the

BENEDICTION AND DISMISSAL

Minister: Let us bless the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

(The Alleluia is omitted during Lent)

POSTLUDE

Allegro moderato Franz Josef Haydn (1732-1809)

According to a January article in the *New York Times*, about 150,000 people are enrolled nationally in more than 119 **Osher Lifelong Learning Institutes (OLLI)** at colleges and universities. They join for the brain stimulation, the camaraderie, for the pursuit of knowledge. **CSUMB** hosts the program, the classes—scheduled from one-day offerings to several days and “geared” to people fifty and older—coming across like a tasty buffet of intellectual inquiry.

Melinda Coffey Armstead will be leading such a session on “**How the French Fell in Love with Japan.**” The opening of Japan in 1854 hit the French art scene with an incoming tide of images, objects and textiles that revolutionized the arts in France. Accompanied by a stunning slide presentation featuring Japanese netsuke, wood block prints, and works by French Impressionists and Post-impressionists, pianist and art historian Melinda Coffey Armstead will examine the strong Japanese influence on French art. Included in the program is an enchanting live performance of the piano music of Debussy.

Recommended reading: *The Hare with Amber Eyes* by Edmund de Waal, *Myths to Live By* by Joseph Campbell, Chapter 6, “The Inspiration of Oriental Art.”

NOTE DATE CHANGE:

Date: **Thursday, March 10** (1 session) Time: **9:30 – 11:30 am**
 Place: **Carmel Valley Manor** Fee: **\$15**

Register online at csumb.edu/olli; call M-F, 10-3 pm 831-582-5500 or email **Michele Crompton**, OLLI Program Director, mcrompton@csumb.edu

Music Box

— FEBRUARY 28, 2016 —

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Melinda Coffey Armstead, piano & organ

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Erich Wolfgang Korngold was a Viennese composer born in Moravia, (present day Czech Republic) and naturalized in the United States in 1943. He is considered one of the founders of film music. His 1938 Academy Award for his score to *The Adventures of Robin Hood* marked the first time an Oscar was awarded to the composer rather than the head of the studio music department. He was born to a Jewish family, the second son of an eminent music critic. A child prodigy, Mahler (himself a Jew) called him a “musical genius.” At age eleven he composed his ballet *Der Schneemann* (The Snowman), which became a sensation when performed at the Vienna Court Opera in 1910. In 1920 he completed his opera *Die tote Stadt*, which became an international success. Within two years of its premiere it had circled the globe, including performances at the Metropolitan Opera in New York. In 1938, Korngold was conducting opera in Austria when Warner Brothers asked him to come to Hollywood to compose a score for *The Adventures of Robin Hood*, starring Errol Flynn. (One version is that he was only six hours into a performance of Wagner's *Götterdämmerung* when an agent from Warner Bros. came onstage masquerading as *Brünnhilde* and sang an invitation to Hollywood, off-key, in Yiddish. The audience didn't notice, having long since nodded off. I like this version a lot, even though I made it up. I hope it's true.) Shortly after he arrived in California the Anschluss took place, the condition of Jews in Austria became very perilous, and Korngold stayed in America. He said “We thought of ourselves as Viennese; Hitler made us Jewish.” He also later stated that the film score had saved his life.

