

Next Step

Wicked is a hard adjective to swallow.

It is often easier to think about forgiveness for big, bad things than everyday transgressions. Will you take a “next step” this week?

Next week I will:

- Find something for which to forgive myself
- Find something for which to forgive another person
- Openly ask God for forgiveness for something
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6:15 pm Wednesday Worship

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8:00 am – Worship and
Communion in the Chapel
9:00 am – Worship in the Sanctuary
11:00 am – Emergent Worship in the
Education Conference
Center

To Live, Love and Serve as Jesus Teaches
An inclusive church where all are welcome!

March 14, 2010

11:00 am

Today at Emergent Worship

Gather:

Gathering Music
Welcome
Time of Praise
Centering

Encounter God's Word:

Word: Psalm 32
Message: “Torments of the Wicked”

Pastor Amanda Larsen

Sharing our joys, concerns, offerings and prayers

ReEntering:

Sending Music
Blessing, Closing Music

Welcome to Emergent Worship

Emergent worship comes from within the community. The origin of the word liturgy is λειτουργία (leitourgia in ancient Greek), “work of the people.” Emergent worship is liturgy. Members of our community provide some of the ideas for this service.

Each service has several elements that do not change from week to week. We take time to center ourselves and we take time to reenter the world. Other parts of the service change each week, especially how we connect to God’s words and the music we use to praise God.

Worship in March will begin in looking at the ways God’s love is a verb as God sustains, forgives, and blesses us. The last week of March opens Holy Week with Palm Sunday. Palm Sunday, March 28, will be another “kideractive” service where the Sunday School children will share what they have learned about the disciple Peter.

Children are invited to sit in the front (near the action!). We do have nursery care for children through age three. However, we encourage children to worship with us. When they cry, or giggle, or shout “ba!” they remind us to praise God in all things. Quiet toys are available outside the sanctuary in worship bags. Coloring supplies are in the “loft.” Our Children have created a behavior covenant that they live into together.

Centering Breath One of the Hebrew words for Spirit is ru’ah, which is also translated as breath. Our centering breath ritual enhances our participation, sets our intention, and focuses our thoughts. This helps us to be fully present for anything, including worship.

Music for this service today is offered by the CUMC Band.

Visuals Our Lenten banner reflects the journey of Lent. It was created with paint and mixed fibers by Gail Flanders.

Offering We take an offering in gratitude to God for what God is doing in our lives.

Encountering the Word of God is the central portion of this service. We encounter God’s words in many ways and in many places throughout the week. It is at this point in worship we are especially attentive to listening to God’s words for us.

ReEntering We take time at the end of the service to ReEnter the world of our daily lives. On a good day we leave as changed people. We share a blessing with one another to transition into a time of Christian fellowship.