



# Murray Presbyterian Church

March 19, 2023 10am Worship

Fourth Sunday in Lent

---

## Welcome and Announcements

Moments of Silent Reflection

Ringling of the Tower Bell

### \*Call to Worship

Leader: We are here in the name of Christ, the source of our salvation.

**People: We are here in the name of Jesus, who suffered and died for our sakes.**

Leader: Let us remember that before his death, Jesus prayed in anguish to God.

**People: And let us remember as well that Jesus still suffered, and through that suffering learned obedience and became the source of our salvation.**

\*Hymn: *Fairest Lord Jesus*

WC 115

### Prayer of Confession

**Good and gracious God, we acknowledge that your ways are best. Yet, we confess that we pursue our own agendas rather than submitting to your will. We want to bolster our own reputation rather than seeking your glory. Forgive us, O God. Help us to trust in your perfect plans and to delight in your glory and in doing your will. In Christ's name we pray.**

**Amen**

### Silent Reflection

### Assurance of Pardon

\*Congregational Response: Gloria Patri

# Children are Released for Sunday School

Scripture: John 17:1-5

Sermon:                    **“The Glory of Submission”**  
                                  **(The Glory of the Cross, pt. 4)**  
                                  **Reverend William J. McConnell**

\*Hymn: *Have Thine Own Way, Lord*

WC 593

Prayers of the People and 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.**

Offering

\*Doxology  
**Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him all creatures here below  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen**

\*Hymn: *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

WC 213

**\*Benediction and Benediction Response**

**May the Lord, mighty God**

**Bless you and keep you forever**

**Grant you peace, perfect peace**

**Courage in every endeavor.**

**Lift up your eyes and see His face**

**And his grace forever**

**May the Lord, mighty God**

**Bless you and keep you forever.**

**\*Please Stand if Able**

**WC: Worshipping Church Hymnal (found on seat) PH: Presbyterian Hymnal (Found in pew rack)**

## **Announcements**

### **Inquirers Class**

An Inquirers Class led by the pastor is meeting Sunday mornings at 9:00 am, starting today. We are looking at what it means to be a Christian and at Presbyterian beliefs and practices. This class is designed for people desiring to join the church, but it is open to anyone. See the pastor if you are interested.

### **Lenten Challenge**

It's not too late to take up the Lenten Challenge of reading through John's Gospel during the Lenten Season. You can use your own Bible or feel free to take a copy of the modern-language New Living Translation of John on the back table. Also check out the background resources on John available on the church website. Remember, on average the gospel of John can be read in two hours--about the length of time it takes to watch a movie!

### **Wednesdays in Lent**

If you haven't yet joined us on a Wednesday evening, you are missing a great time of fellowship and spiritual enrichment during the Lenten season. A simple meal of soup and bread is served beginning at 6:30 pm. At 7:00 pm, the Bible study time begins with a short video presentation from Adam Hamilton's *John: The Gospel of Light and Life*. Pastor Bill then offers additional insights and leads a time of discussion. The Series continues through the month of March.

### **Litter Clean-Up**

This Saturday (March 25) is our next time to pick up litter along the section of Hwy 1 our church has adopted. Meet at Conestoga Jr/Sr High School at 10:00 am. All supplies are provided.

### **Murray Presbyterian Church**

P.O. Box 196-Murray, NE 68409-0196

Office: (402)235-2754

Office: [murraypresbyterian@windstream.net](mailto:murraypresbyterian@windstream.net)

Web: [www.murraypresbyterian.org](http://www.murraypresbyterian.org)

