April 3 - 8:30 am

WELCOME PRELUDE

(please observe quiet time as we prepare for worship)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Matt Gould

*HYMN NO. 384

Love Divine. All Loves Excelling

OLD TESTAMENT READING

1 Samuel 5:1-5

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit. born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried: the third day He rose from the dead: He ascended into heaven. and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the guick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit. the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER

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 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, forever. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Andy Garitson

Carol Crotty

OFFERING OF OUR LIVES AND OUR GIFTS

(Please put your completed communication card in the offering plate.) As each has received a gift, employ it for one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace (1 Peter 4:10)

Offertory

*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.

*Prayer of Dedication

*SCRIPTURE John 20:19-31

*GLORIA PATRIA

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen. **CSI**: Kingdom Edition

MESSAGE *HYMN NO. 139

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

*BENEDICTION *POSTLUDE

April 3 - 10:45 am

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PRAYER RESPONSE

Just As I Am, Without One Plea

Just as I am, without one plea, But that thy blood was shed for me, And that thou bidst me come to thee. O Lamb of God, I come, I come!

(permission CCLI 621794)

SPECIAL MUSIC

Through the Cross

Chancel Choir

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Offertory

More Than Wonderful

Rick & Annette Drake

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