

**Worship Bulletin**  
**Sunday, March 14, 2021**

**WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**GATHERING PRAYER**

Blair Adams

**PRELUDE**

“A Balm in Gilead”

Beatrice A. Miller

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

*from James 4*

We gather today with a desire to draw near to God.

*We are assured that if we draw near to Him, He will draw near to us.*

We humble ourselves before the Lord.

*We humble ourselves and praise His holy name. Let us worship in wonder and awe.*

**HYMN 796**

“We Come To You for Healing, Lord”

Verses 1, 2, 3, 5

*We come to you for healing, Lord, of body, mind and soul,  
and pray that by your Spirit's touch we may again be whole.*

*As once you walked through ancient streets and reached toward those in pain,  
we know you come among us still with power to heal again.*

*You touch us through physicians' skills, through nurses' gifts of care,  
and through the love of faithful friends who lift our lives in prayer.*

*We come to you, O loving Lord, in our distress and pain,  
in trust that through our nights and days your grace will heal, sustain.*

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*Merciful God, we are a selfish and quarrelsome people. We listen to our own inner desires to find pleasure, rather than look to You to find fulfillment and joy. We make a friend of the world and separate ourselves from Your presence. We covet what we do not have and too often we lie, cheat, and steal to get it. We wage war with our neighbors rather than seek peace. We slander and judge others rather than accept and love them.*

*Have mercy, Lord. Guide us to draw close to You and submit ourselves to You, so that through your grace we may cleanse our hands and purify our hearts and minds. Lead us to become a people of love, as you showed us to do when you came to us incarnate in Christ. Help us, O Lord, to follow. Amen.*

## SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Let us draw near to God with sincerity of heart and full assurance of faith, our guilty hearts sprinkled clean, our bodies washed with pure water.

*We are at peace and rejoice that we are forgiven by a merciful God.  
Alleluia!*

### TIME WITH CHILDREN

Suzanne Huron

### ANTHEM

“Who At My Door Is Standing?”

arr. K. Lee Scott

*Vocalists: Phyllis Wine, Bree Fox, Robin McMillan, Tim Nolen*

*Who at my door is standing, There patiently drawing near,  
Who entrance is demanding? Whose is the voice I hear?*

*Sweetly the tones are falling: “Now open the door for me!”  
If thou wilt heed my calling, I will abide with thee.”*

*Within, the rooms are darkened, All filled with dust and sin;  
How shameful, how unworthy For Christ to enter in.*

*Door of my heart, I hasten! Thee will I open wide.  
Though He rebuke and chasten, He shall with me abide.*

### SCRIPTURE

James 4

### SERMON

“Is it in You?”

Rev. Collin Adams

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The 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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.*

## PASTORAL PRAYER and THE LORD'S PRAYER

### MINUTE FOR MISSION

Ted Germroth

### PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*Merciful God, we thank you for your wonderful works among humankind. Accept our offerings with the dedication of our lives and help us be for the world an emblem of your steadfast love, in Jesus Christ. Amen.*

### HYMN 824 "There Is A Place of Quiet Rest" (Near to the Heart of God)

*There is a place of quiet rest, near to the heart of God,  
a place where sin cannot molest, near to the heart of God.*

*Refrain: "O Jesus, blest Redeemer, sent from the heart of God,  
hold us, who wait before thee, near to the heart of God.*

*There is a place of comfort sweet, near to the heart of God,  
a place where we our Savior meet, near to the heart of God.*

*There is a place of full release, near to the heart of God,  
a place where all is joy and peace, near to the heart of God.*

## BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

"We Cannot Measure How You Heal"

arr. John Bell