

... AND
RENEW
A RIGHT
SPIRIT
WITHIN ME

Psalm 51.10b

Second Sunday in Lent

February 28, 2021

Lake Shore Baptist Church

Prelude

“Whiter Than Snow”
arr. Heather Sorenson
Cindy Fuller

Welcome

Grant Dooley

We are a welcoming and affirming community of Christians, attempting to discover, articulate, and embody the meaning of the Gospel in the world today. We welcome all at Lake Shore because we believe that God’s love knows no bounds.

Passing of the Peace

Grant Dooley

ONE: The peace of Christ be with you.

MANY: And also with you.

Invocation

Sharlande Sledge

Call to Confession

from Psalm 51

Tom Hanks, Judy Davies, Charlie Smith

Prayer of Confession

Sharlande Sledge

ONE: For failing to notice God’s presence in all things, even in our times of pain and confusion,

MANY: **We confess our sins, O God.**

ONE: For basking in our privilege when so many of your children are suffering,

MANY: **We confess our sins, O God.**

ONE: For our lack of imagination that limits our vision for our mission with you,

MANY: **We confess our sins, O God.**

ONE: For failing to see your image in all things and in all people, even in ourselves,

MANY: **We confess our sins, O God.**

ONE: For failing to dream the dreams you invite us to dream with you,

MANY: **We confess our sins, O God.**

ONE: For walking away from your invitation to be the persons who live
life with you as our guide and our wisdom,

MANY: We confess our sins, O God.

Silence for Confession

Song of Transformation

“Have Thine Own Way, Lord”
ADELAIDE

Have thine own way, Lord, have thine own way.
Thou art the potter; I am the clay.
Mold me and make me after thy will,
While I am waiting, yielded and still.

Assurance of Pardon

Sharlande Sledge

Epistle Reading

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

Jon Snyder

ONE: This is the word of the Lord.
MANY: Thanks be to God.

Gift of Music

“Change My Heart, O God”
Eddie Espinosa
Jon Snyder

Congregational Song

“Help Us Accept Each Other”
PASSION CHORALE

Help us accept each other as Christ accepted us;
teach us as sister, brother, each person to embrace.
Be present, Lord, among us and bring us to believe
we are ourselves accepted and meant to love and live.

Teach us, O Lord, your lessons, as in our daily life
we struggle to be human and search for hope and faith.
Teach us to care for people, for all, not just for some,
to love them as we find them or as they may become.

Let your acceptance change us, so that we may be moved
in living situations to do the truth in love;
to practice your acceptance, until we know by heart
the table of forgiveness and laughter’s healing art.

Lord, for today’s encounters with all who are in need,
who hunger for acceptance, for righteousness and bread,
we need new eyes for seeing, new hands for holding on;
renew us with your Spirit; Lord, free us, make us one!

Gospel Reading

Matthew 5:23-24; 18:15-17

Richard Groves

ONE: This is the Gospel of Grace.

MANY: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“The Reconciling Community”

Richard Groves

Congregational Benediction

“The Church of Christ in Every Age”

GIFT OF LOVE

Then let the servant church arise, a caring church that longs to be
A partner in Christ’s sacrifice, and clothed in Christ’s humanity.

Postlude

“Beautiful”

arr. Heather Sorenson

Cindy Fuller

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