# ...AND

# SUSTAIN

# INMEA

# RIGHT

# SPIRIT

Psalm 51.12b

# **Fourth Sunday in Lent**

March 14, 2021 Lake Shore Baptist Church

**Prelude** 

"Beneath the Cross of Jesus" ST. CHRISTOPHER

Steve Gardner

Welcome

Bill Bellinger

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

ONE: The peace of Christ be with you. **MANY: And also with you.** 

Invocation

Sharlande Sledge

**Call to Confession** 

from Psalm 51

Barbara Hobbs, Mike Raymond, & Andy Powell

### **Prayer of Confession**

**Grant Dooley** 

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**

**Grant Dooley** 

# **Hebrew Scripture**

Numbers 21:4-9

**Bill Bellinger** 

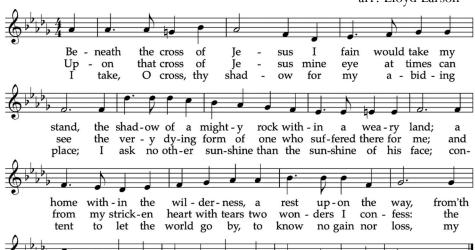
ONE: This is a reading from our ancient stories.

MANY: Thanks be to God.

# **Congregational Song**

"Beneath the Cross of Jesus" ST. CHRISTOPHER

arr. Lloyd Larson



# **Epistle Reading**

Ephesians 2:1-10

un-wor - thi -

glo - ry all the cross.

Jon Snyder

ONE: This is the word of the Lord.

MANY: Thanks be to God.

burn - ing of the noon-tide heat, and'th bur - den of the

won - ders of re - deem-ing love and my

sin - ful self my on - ly shame, my

Gift of Music

"God So Loved the World" John Stainer

**Lake Shore Virtual Choir** 

# **Gospel Reading**

John 3:14-21

**Amy Butler** 

ONE: This is the Gospel of Grace. **MANY: Thanks be to God.** 

Sermon

"Cliché or Cross?"

#### **Pastoral Benediction**

**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** 

"O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus" arr. Ken Medema

**Cindy Fuller** 

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# Called Business Meeting Sunday, March 14 immediately following worship

We will vote on the recommendation of the Committee Coordinating Council to approve these names for the Senior Pastor Search Committee:

### **Senior Pastor Search Committee**

Kristi SoRelle, Chair; Gail Boyd; Jennifer Bronson; Sakina Dixon; Barb Francis; Steve Gardner; David Hendon; Van Jones; Kim Kellison; Andy Powell; Vern Sauter