



Saint Stephen's Chapel

Order of Worship

“We seek to glorify God by preaching His Word and spreading the gospel of Grace in Boldness and Selflessness.”

In the Sanctuary, we cross the threshold of the secular to the sacred, from the common to the uncommon, from the profane to the holy, from darkness to light.

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April 3, 2022

Fifth Sunday in Lent

The prelude is a sacred curtain dropped between the world and the sanctuary. The dimming of the lights is the signal for the congregation to observe silence. During this time, be prayerful and reverent in preparation for the worship of our holy God in His sanctuary. (Please silence all phones and electronic devices.)

"The cross is not the suffering tied to natural existence, but the suffering tied to being Christians. The cross is never simply a matter of suffering, but a matter of suffering and rejection for the sake of Jesus Christ, not for the sake of some other arbitrary behavior or confession... Gifts are for service, not self-advancement." **Dietrich Bonhoeffer**

Invitation to Reflection

Daniel Quintanilla

Call to Solemn Worship

Rev. Manny Alaniz

Minister: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling. Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!

Psalm 46:1-2,10

* **Song of Adoration**

Crown Him With Many Crowns

Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne
Hark! How the heavenly anthem drowns, all music but its own
Awake, my soul and sing of Him
Who died for thee
And hail Him as thy matchless King
Through all eternity

Crown Him the Lord of love
Behold His hands and side
Rich wounds, yet visible above
In beauty glorified, No angel in the sky
Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends His wond'ring eye
At mysteries so bright

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Crown Him the Lord of life
Who triumphed o'er the grave
Who rose victorious to the strife
For those He came to save
His glories now we sing
Who died, and rose on high
Who died eternal life to bring
And lives that death may die
Crown Him the Lord of heav'n
One with the Father known
One with the Spirit through Him giv'n
From yonder glorious throne
To Thee be endless praise
For Thou for us hast died
Be Thou, O Lord, through endless days
Adored and magnified.

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Rev. Don Kinkead

***Prayer of Invocation**

***Affirmation of Faith**

Psalm 23

Minister: Christian, "Who is your shepherd and how does he love, lead, and protect you?"

All: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Offertory Prayer

*** Song of Praise**

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

How deep the Father's love for us, How vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son, To make a wretch His treasure
How great the pain of searing loss, The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the Chosen One, Bring many sons to glory

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Behold the Man upon a cross, My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice, Call out among the scoffers
It was my sin that held Him there, Until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life, I know that it is finished

I will not boast in anything, No gifts no pow'r no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ, His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward, I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart

His wounds have paid my ransom (Repeat verse).

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God's Renewal

Scripture Warning

Rev. Alaniz

Leader: For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin. For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. For the wages of sin is death. (Romans 3:20, 23; 6:23)

Public Confession

Leader: Let us confess our sins together.

All: O Lord, I have a wild heart, and cannot stand before you. I am like a bird before a man. How little I love your truth and ways! I neglect prayer. My mind is a bucket without a bottom, with no spiritual understanding. My conscience is without conviction or contrition, with no sins to acknowledge. My heart is without affection, and full of leaks. Give me a broken heart that yet carries home the water of grace.

Silent Confession {Take a few moments to silently confess your failures and shortcomings.}

*** Assurance of Pardon and Comfort**

Romans 5:17

{God reminds our forgetful hearts of the grace that is ours in Jesus.}

Leader: For if, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ.

*** Song of Renewal**

Dear Refuge of My Weary Soul

Dear refuge of my weary soul
On Thee, when sorrows rise
On Thee, when waves of trouble roll
My fainting hope relies
To Thee I tell each rising grief, for Thou alone canst heal
Thy Word can bring a sweet relief, for every pain I feel

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But oh! When gloomy doubts prevail
I fear to call Thee mine, the springs of comfort seem to fail
And all my hopes decline, Yet gracious God, where shall I flee?
Thou art my only trust, and still my soul would cleave to Thee
Though prostrate in the dust

Hast Thou not bid me seek Thy face, and shall I seek in vain?
And can the ear of sovereign grace, Be deaf when I complain?
No still the ear of sovereign grace, attends the mourner's prayer
Oh may I ever find access, to breathe my sorrows there

Thy mercy seat is open still, here let my soul retreat
With humble hope attend Thy will, and wait beneath Thy feet
Thy mercy seat is open still, Here let my soul retreat
With humble hope attend Thy will, and wait beneath Thy feet. *Miner*

Announcements

Prayer for the People

Rev. Alaniz

The Greeting of Peace:

Leader: Let the peace of Christ dwell in your hearts. To this peace we are called as members of a single body. The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

***Scripture Reading**

Luke 9:51-56

Mrs. Kristie Alaniz

When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. ⁵² And he sent messengers ahead of him, who went and entered a village of the Samaritans, to make preparations for him. ⁵³ But the people did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. ⁵⁴ And when his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to tell fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" ⁵⁵ But he turned and rebuked them. ⁵⁶ And they went on to another village.

Reader: This is The Word of The LORD

People: Thanks be to God

The Sermon

Rev. Alaniz

"Christ Set His Face Like Flint"

Lent Sermon Series: The Restoration of a Canceled World

Celebration of Holy Communion

Rev. Alaniz

A Word About Communion at Saint Stephen's Chapel:

Communion is an opportunity for all of us to seek the Lord. It is an occasion for baptized Christians to be strengthened by our Savior. All who trust alone in Christ as Savior and Lord, embrace the Gospel, live at peace with their neighbor, and seek strength to live more faithfully are welcome to come forward. If you are not a Christian, please consider spending this time

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in prayer. Children who have not received their first communion should come forward with their hands folded and the wine server will pray for them.

“Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself.” (I Corinthians 11:27-29)

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Prayer of Consecration

Words of Institution

Minister: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: **Christ has died.**

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Minister: Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed for us.

People: **Therefore, let us keep the feast.**

Minister: The gifts of God are for the people of God.

*** Song of Communion**

We Will Feast in the House of Zion

(Chorus) We will feast in the house of Zion

We will sing with our hearts restored

He has done great things, we will say together

We will feast and weep no more

We will not be burned by the fire

He is the LORD our God

We are not consumed, by the flood

Upheld, protected, gathered up (Chorus)

In the dark of night, before the dawn

My soul, be not afraid

For the promised morning, oh how long?

Oh God of Jacob, be my strength (Chorus)

Every vow we've broken and betrayed

You are the Faithful one

And from the garden to the grave

Bind us together, bring shalom (Chorus).

McCracken

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Communion Prayer

*Benediction Doxology

Isaiah 6 (Sanctus)

Holy, holy, holy is The LORD of hosts!
Holy, holy, holy is The LORD of hosts!
The whole earth is full of His glory
The whole earth is full of His glory
The whole earth is full of His glory
Holy is The LORD!

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*Benediction

Rev. Alaniz

Minister: May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. May the Lord turn his face to you and give you his peace.

People: Amen! (With great enthusiasm)

Postlude**

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Worship:

Every Sunday, 10:30a.m., at
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Serving Today, April 3rd

- Childcare & Training in the Pews – Evette R. Back
- Hospitality – Jackie Wright

Serving Next Sunday, April 10th

- Childcare & Training in the Pews – Lauri Kinkead
 - Hospitality – Sandy Alaniz
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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Potluck Luck** – TODAY! After worship!
- **Virtual Bible Study Groups: Zoom**, contact Manny
- **5-Minute Bible Study Podcasts**: Please take the time to listen and share it with others.
- **Palm Sunday** – April 10th, invite friends/family

- **Good Friday**, April 15th, at 6:30pm, invite family and friends
 - **Easter Sunday Worship**, April 17th, plan now on attending and strongly encourage other to come!
 - **Church Picnic** – April 23rd, Saturday, 12-3pm, at Oscar Perez Memorial Park, 8601 Timber Path, San Antonio TX 78251. Invite family / friends
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Church Session:

Lead Pastor: Rev. Manny Alaniz

Associate Pastors: Rev. Don Kinkead and Rev. Ruben
Martinez

Ruling Elder: Thomas Jordan Wright

Music Leaders:

Ruben Martinez - Lead Vocals / Guitar, Piano,

Anthony Sanders – Vocals, Guitar, Piano

Gema Martinez – Vocals

Zoe Martinez - Vocals

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