

**Hope Presbyterian Church**  
**Service for the Lord's Day—Fourth Sunday in Lent**

March 22, 2020

10:30 A.M.

**Call to Worship**

When we are happy, when we are full of sadness,

**God welcomes us with love.**

When we are bewildered, when we are joyful,

**God welcomes us with love.**

When we are full of questions, when we are full of wonder,

**God welcomes us with love. Let us worship God!**

**Hymn 667**

*When Morning Gilds the Skies*

Laudes Domini

**Call to Prayer** (Responsive)

The dust that shapes the journey, the cross that guides it, the color that surrounds it, the light that fades through it, the word that foretells it, the wilderness that invites it.

**This is Lent, and into its wilderness God calls us.**

Come, brothers and sisters, Christ is heading for Jerusalem.

**Litany for Lent** (Responsive)

You call us to trust you as we journey together.

**We find it hard to listen and to follow, especially when we do not know the way.**

We are happy to hear the gospel, but we struggle to live it.

**We get caught up in the worries and wrinkles of living and lose sight of your abiding presence.**

We choose to spend our time and energy investing in our own kingdoms instead of yours.

**Forgive us, faithful God, for outward obedience and inner resistance.**

May your steps guide our way and your peace ease our anxious hearts,

**That we might live for wholeheartedly for you. Amen.**

**The Response of God's People**

*Bless the Lord*

Hymn 544

*Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy name.*

*Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.*

**Passing of the Peace**

To all who are gathered here, the peace of Christ be with you.

**Scripture Reading**

Matthew 6:19-7:12

**Sermon**

Alive in the Journey: Keep Calm and Carry On

Rev. Christie Ashton

**Hymn 450**

*Be Thou My Vision*

Slane

**Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer**

As we pray together the prayer Christ taught us ...

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**Offering**

**Our Response of Praise**

*Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*

Hymn 606

*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**

**Hymn 694**

*Great God of Every Blessing*

Aurelia

**Charge and Benediction**

**Congregational Response**

*May the Peace of the Lord*

Northumbria Community

*May the peace of the Lord Christ go with you, wherever he may send you.*

*May he guide you through the wilderness, protect you through the storm.*

*May he bring you home rejoicing at the wonders he has shown you,*

*May he bring you home rejoicing once again into our doors.*