

MAYFLOWER CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
A SERVICE OF MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday, February 18, 2024, 10:30 a.m.

First Sunday in Lent

Welcome and Greeting

Prelude: "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" (William B. Bradbury, arr. Mark Hayes)

Opening Sentences

Hymn 173: "Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days"

Opening Prayer

Anthem: "How Deep the Father's Love for Us" (Stuart Townend, arr. Dennis Allen)

Giving and Receiving of Our Gifts

Doxology

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer (using debts and debtors)

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 9:8-17

Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, "As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

Sermon: "NEVER AGAIN"

Installation of Officers and Committee Members

Hymn 304: "Lift Every Voice and Sing"

Benediction

Benediction Response 361 (v. 2): "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

May Thy rich grace impart strength to my fainting heart, my zeal inspire; as Thou hast died for me, Oh, may my love to Thee pure, warm, and changeless be, a living fire.

Greet One Another

Participants: Pastor Mark and DeeAnn McCormick, Barb and Jerry Fuller, Chancel Choir

Lord, Who throughout These Forty Days 173

Claudia F. Hernaman, 1838-1898, alt.

John's Day Psalter, 1562

1. Lord, who through - out these for - ty days, For
 2. As Thou with Sa - tan didst con - tend, And
 3. And through these days of pen - i - tence, And
 4. A - bide with us, that so, this life Of
 5. As you did hun - ger and did thirst, So

us didst fast and pray, Teach us with Thee to
 didst the vic - t'ry win, O give us strength in
 through Thy Pas - sion - tide, Yea, ev - er - more, in
 suf - fering o - ver - past, An East - er of un -
 teach us, gra - cious Lord, To die to self, and

mourn our sins, And close by Thee to stay.
 Thee to fight, In Thee to con - quer sin.
 life and death, Je - sus! with us a - bide.
 end - ing joy We may at - tain at last!
 so to live By your most ho - ly word. A - men.

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Lift Every Voice and Sing

James Weldon Johnson, 1871-1938

John Rosamond Johnson, 1873-1954

1. Lift ev - 'ry voice and sing, Till earth and heav - en
 2. Ston - y the road we trod, Bit - ter the chas - t'ning
 3. God of our wea - ry years, God of our si - lent

ring, Ring with the har - mo - nies of lib - er -
 rod, Felt in the days when hope un - born had
 tears, Thou who hast brought us thus far on the

ty; Let our re - joic - ing rise High as the lis - t'ning
 died; Yet with a stead - y beat, Have not our wea - ry
 way; Thou who hast by Thy might, Led us in - to the

skies, Let it re - sound loud as the roll - ing sea.
 feet Come to the place for which our peo - ple sighed?
 light, Keep us for ev - er in the path, we pray.

LIFT EVERY VOICE
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GOD'S REVELATION

Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us,
 We have come o - ver a way that with tears has been wa - tered;
 Lest our feet stray from the plac - es, our God, where we met Thee,

Sing a song full of the hope that the pres - ent has
 We have come, tread - ing our path through the blood of the
 Lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the world, we for -

brought us; Fac - ing the ris - ing sun Of our new
 slaugh - tered; Out from the gloom - y past, Till now we
 get Thee; Shad - owed be - neath Thy hand, May we for

day be - gun, Let us march on till vic - to - ry is won.
 stand at last Where the bright gleam of our bright star is cast.
 ev - er stand, True to our God, true to our na - tive land.