

March 5
Second Sunday of Lent
Houston Preaching Mission

8:45 and 11:00 services

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude ***Oblivion*** ASTOR PANTALEON PIAZZOLLA
Jeremy Lamb, Cello, & Jack Murray, Flute

Preparing our Hearts for Worship (11:00) Evan Kaiser

Call to Worship ***Surely the Presence of the Lord***
LANNY WOLFE

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;
I can feel his mighty power and his grace.

I can hear the brush of angels' wings, I see glory on each face;
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

*Opening Hymn #159 ***Lift High the Cross*** CRUCIFER

Unison Prayer #489 ***For God's Gifts***

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer #895

A Time for All God's Children

*Children are invited to come forward to the chancel area.
Nursery is provided for children, birth to five years old,
but all children are welcome in worship.*

Offering

Anthem ***Leaning on the Everlasting Arms*** ARR. ERIC NELSON

What a fellowship, what a joy divine,
leaning on the everlasting arms;

What a blessedness, what a peace is mine,
leaning on the everlasting arms.

Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;
leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.

Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,
leaning on the everlasting arms;
oh, how bright the path grows from day to day,
leaning on the everlasting arms.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come.

What have I to dread, what have I to fear,
leaning on the everlasting arms?
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,
leaning on the everlasting arms.

*Doxology #95 & Prayer of Thanksgiving

Old Testament Lesson **Genesis 12:1-4a**

Epistle Lesson **Ephesians 4:1-6**

Sermon

*Closing Hymn #547 *O Church of God, United* ELLACOMBE

*Sending Forth

*Choral Benediction *Lift High the Cross* RUCIFER

Postlude *Doxology Postlude* PETER PINDAR STEARNS

Today's Worship Leaders

Preacher	Rev. James Howell
Liturgists	Rev. Tom Latimer & Rev. Savannah Glover
Music Director	Susan Renz
Choir Director	Donna Hill
Greeters	Carol Anderson & Stephania Hyatt
Acolyte	(11:00) Jackson Coleman
Crucifer	(11:00) Tyler McLaurin
Audio	Michael Hansen
Video	(8:45) Melissa Loy, (11:00) Dan Barrier

The congregation and pastors extend care and sympathy to the family and friends of Noman Crumpton.

February 19

On-Site Worship: **208** On-Line Worship: **113**

Total Worship: **321**

February 26

On Site Worship: **207**

Lift High the Cross

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Refrain (Unison)

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro-claim

till all the world a-dore his sa-cred name.

*Fine**Harmony*

1. Come, Chris-tians, fol - low this tri-um-phant sign. The
 2. Each new-born ser - vant of the Cru - ci - fied bears
 3. O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo-rious tree, as
 4. So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be: Praise

hosts of God in u-ni-ty com-bine.
 on the brow the seal of him who died.
 thou hast prom-ised, draw the world to thee.
 to the Cru-ci-fied for vic-to-ry!

D.C.

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 MUSIC: Sydney Hugo Nicholson, 1916

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For God's Gifts

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O Holy God,
open unto me
light for my darkness,
courage for my fear,
hope for my despair.

O loving God,
open unto me
wisdom for my confusion,
forgiveness for my sins,
love for my hate.

O God of peace,
open unto me
peace for my turmoil,
joy for my sorrow,
strength for my weakness.

O generous God,
open my heart
to receive all your gifts.
Amen.

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O Church of God, United

1. O church of God, u - nit - ed to serve one
 2. From ev - ery land and na - tion the or - dered
 3. Though creeds and tongues may dif - fer, they speak, O
 4. May thy great prayer be an - swered that we may

com - mon Lord, pro - claim to all one mes - sage, with
 ranks ap - pear; to serve one val - iant lead - er they
 Christ, of thee; and in thy lov - ing spir - it we
 all be one, close bound, by love u - nit - ed in

hearts in glad ac - cord. Christ ev - er goes be -
 come from far and near. They chant their one con -
 shall one peo - ple be. Lord, may our faith - ful
 thee, God's bless - ed Son: to bring a sin - gle

fore us; we fol - low day by day with
 fes - sion, they praise one liv - ing Lord, and
 ser - vice and sin - gle - ness of aim pro -
 wit - ness, to make the path - way bright, that

WORDS: Frederick B. Morley, 1953 (Acts 2:5-11)
 MUSIC: *Gesangbuch der H. W. k. Hofkapelle*, 1784, alt.

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Alt. tune: AURELLA

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strong and ea - ger foot - steps a - long the up - ward way.
place their sure de - pen - dence up - on his sav - ing word.
claim to all the pow - er of thy re - deem - ing name.
souls which grope in dark - ness may find the one true light.