



**Order of Worship**  
**March 21, 2021**

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**Welcome**

Rev. Tracy McNeil Wines

**Prelude**

**Ah, Holy Jesus**

Jason Krug

Chapel Bells

**Greeting**

Lauren Smith

Every week is a new week,

Another chance to say:

“Here I am. Use me.”

Every day is a new day,

Another chance to say:

“Thank you for yesterday. Thank you for tomorrow.”

Every hour is a new hour,

Another chance to say,

“Again and again, make me new.”

We do not come to this place to stay the same.

We come to this place to be changed.

So let us worship our holy God,

Who created yesterday, will create tomorrow, and even now is creating something new.

Thanks be to God!

**Opening Hymn**

**Jesus Draw Me Close**

TFWS 2159

In the gospel of John, a group of Greek people approach the disciples and say,  
"We would like to see Jesus."

It's a brief, beautiful moment that the text doesn't spend a lot of time on,  
And yet, it always catches my eye.

It catches my eye, because the phrase, "I want to see Jesus,"  
Feels like it should be my constant prayer.

Help me see Jesus.

I'd like to see Jesus.

Bring me closer to Jesus.

In the prayer of confession,

We take a moment to recognize how much space exists between us and those  
words,

Trusting that even when we forget to seek out God,

God is seeking us out.

So join me in the prayer of confession today as we take one step closer to the  
Divine . . .

Gracious God,

We want to see you.

We want to be known as the people who looked for Jesus;

But not only that, we want to be people who have your covenant written on our  
hearts.

Why do we feel so far away from that at times?

What went wrong?

Where did we lose our way?

Could you, would you, once again, write on our fragile hearts?

We would be so grateful.

Amen.

Rev. Tracy McNeil Wines

Friends, despite our wonderings,

Despite our distractions,

Despite wrong turns time and time again,

We are known and loved by God.  
Like a lighthouse keeper by the sea,  
God will never stop waving us home.  
So hear and believe the good news of the gospel:  
Our fragile bones are held by the Great Creator.  
Our fragile hearts are loved by the Great Creator.  
Our tender spirits are forgiven by the Great Creator.  
Today is a new day.  
**Again and again, we are forgiven;**  
**Again and again, we are reformed.**  
**Thanks be to God.**  
**Amen.**

**Scripture**

**John 12:20-33**

Mahender Dudani

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

"Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

**Sermon**

**Again & Again:  
We Are Reformed**

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**Offering Prayer**

Sadie Kerby

We give in grateful thanksgiving for all that God has given us.  
In the upside down world of the gospel,  
we measure our wealth not by what we have,  
but what we can give away.  
Let us give away generously, in this offering,  
to bless your church, your people, your creation. Amen.

**Anthem****Salve Nos, Domine**

Rogier

Chancel Choir

*"Protect us, O Lord, while we are awake and safeguard us while we sleep,  
that we may keep watch with Christ and rest in peace."*

**Prayer**

Lauren Smith

Lord, in your Holy Word you said, "See, I am making all things new." With confidence in that promise, we bring our prayers before you:

We pray for those who are lonely.

We hope in the promise that the home of God will be among people:  
that God will dwell with us,  
that we will be his people and that God himself will be with us.

We mention in our hearts those we know who are lonely or isolate

Lord, make all things new!

We pray for those who are crying;  
the sad, the depressed and the anxious.

We hope in the promise that God will wipe every tear from our eyes.

We mention in our hearts those we know who are sad and who know tears.

Lord, make all things new!

We pray for those who are experiencing the consequences of death,  
the bereaved and those who are mourning.

We hope in the promise that death and mourning will be no more.

We mention in our hearts those we know who are affected by death and mourning

Lord, make all things new!

We pray for those who are in pain,  
suffering from illness either physical or mental.

We hope in the promise that crying and pain will be no more.

We mention in our hearts those we know who are ill or in pain.

Lord, make all things new!

We pray for those who are thirsty for truth, love and grace;  
those who seek God and his life with earnest hearts.

We hope in the promise that God will give water to the thirsty without cost  
from the spring of the water of life.

We mention in our hearts those we know who hunger and thirst for God.

Lord, make all things new!

Lord, your words are trustworthy and true.

You are the Alpha and the Omega,  
the beginning and the end.

We pray all this in the powerful and hopeful name of Jesus Christ,  
Amen.

**Hymn**

**Breathe on Me, Breath of God**

UMH 420

**Benediction**

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### 2159 Jesus, Draw Me Close

Je - sus, draw me close, \_ clos - er, Lord, to you. \_ (For)

1  
Let the world a - round\_ me fade a - way. \_

2  
I de - sire to wor - ship and o - bey. \_\_\_\_\_

WORDS: Rick Founds (James 4:8)  
MUSIC: Rick Founds

DRAW ME CLOSE  
Irregular

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# Breathe on Me, Breath of God 420

The musical score is written in 3/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of two systems of music, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The lyrics are printed below the vocal line.

1. Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life a - new,  
2. Breathe on me, Breath of God, un - til my heart is pure,  
3. Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am whol - ly thine,  
4. Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I nev - er die,

that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.  
un - til with thee I will one will, to do and to en - dure.  
till all this earth - ly part of me glows with thy fire di - vine.  
but live with thee the per - fect life of thine e - ter - ni - ty.

WORDS: Edwin Hatch, 1878 (Jn. 20:22)  
MUSIC: Robert Jackson, 1888

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