

March 13, 2022

2nd Sunday of Lent

A MOMENT WITH THE CHILDREN

*Children may choose to go to Junior Church
after Children's Sermon*

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

**All may stand as able*

Liturgist: Lynda McLean

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Lynda McLean

Prelude

Praise You Elizabeth Goodine
with I Sing Praises to Your Name arr. Cindy Berry

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We are on a journey of faith. Jesus is our leader and our guide.

People: We place our trust in Him.

Leader: As the daylight hours grow longer, our journey takes on a sense of urgency.

People: We must prepare our hearts for Jerusalem. But Jerusalem is noted for killing the prophets and those whom God sends.

Leader: Fear not! God is with us and will guide our journey of faith.

People: We place ourselves completely in God's care.

Leader: The Lord is our light and our salvation: whom shall we fear?

All: Let us worship God!

* **HYMN 192** *Lord, the Light of Your Love Is Shining* SHINE JESUS

* INVOCATION (Unison)

Dr. Dawson Harmon

Lord, we come to you this morning with so many concerns and issues that demand our attention. Our lives are burdened; our spirits are tired. Guide our lives and our steps as we walk this Lenten journey. Help us discern what you would have us do in order that others may be welcomed into the Kingdom of God. In Jesus Name, we pray. Amen.

CONFESSING TO GOD

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

There is a certain chill in our spirits today, O Lord. It is easy to believe that we are headed down the wrong path. The world seems on the brink of war. People are dying without cause. Life for many of your children doesn't seem fair. The world around us feels fragmented. There are so many conflicting things that are claiming our spirits, our energy, our hopes, and our fears. In times such as these it is easy to be like Jerusalem and turn our backs on those who speak truth that we do not desire to hear.

Forgive us, Lord. We know that in the end good will triumph over evil; but the people of Ukraine need relief today. Forgive our impatience and our sins of omission when we have been given opportunities to be part of the solution. Let there be peace, and let it begin in us. We ask these things in Jesus' name. Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: The Lord is gracious and merciful. He forgives our sins. Place your trust in the One who is always with you, loving you into wholeness.

* RESPONSE Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Lynda McLean

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 27:1, 4-6, 11-14

ANTHEM

Open My Eyes, Let Me See Hugh Livingston, Jr.
arr. Larry Pugh

Open my eyes that I may see, glimpses of truth thou hast for me;
Place in my hands the key to set me free.
Silently now I wait for thee, ready my God, thy will to see;
Open my eyes, illumine me, Holy Spirit!
Open my eyes that may hear lessons of truth thou sendest clear;
and as I wait all else shall disappear. Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see; open my eyes illumine me!
Let me see Jesus every day, every hour; let me hear his voice,
let me feel his mighty power. Let me know his presence
in everything I do; give me faith, give me hope,
with his love my heart renew. Open my eyes, Holy Spirit, let me see.

GOSPEL READING

Luke 13:18-35

SERMON

"The Longings of God" Dr. Dawson Harmon

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

AFFIRMING OUR FAITH

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

WORSHIP OF GOD WITH TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory *Meditation on:* Robert Graham
The Church's One Foundation

* THE DOXOLOGY

**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 Dr. Dawson Harmon

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

*HYMN 157 *I Danced in the Morning* LORD OF THE DANCE

* CHARGE AND BLESSING Dr. Dawson Harmon

* CHORAL BENEDICTION *Three-fold Amen* TRADITIONAL

* Postlude *Chorale on "Vater unser im Himmelreich"* J. S. Bach
"Our Father Who art in Heaven"

Prayer Concerns

for our church family . . .

George McLean	Karen O'Brien	Agnes Dauphinee
Wayne Hughins	Melissa Scholl	Jim Gillespie
Nellie Songer	Al Greenberg	Edward Giddens
Vernon Clark	Laura Reichert	Jean Camp
Carol Brown	Ed Swartz, Jr.	Vicki Cunningham
Karen Rainwater		

for our extended family . . .

Mary Hammett	Debra Jackson	Cheryl Kelley
Uwe Bach	Ed Vermeulen	Peggy Thomas
David Ross	Charles Taylor	Matt Ford
Lisa Krayer Smith	Jennifer Lee	Stephen Hogger
Sonia Burrage	Louis Scholl	Heather Hawkins
Bobbi Harper	Cecile Floyd	Bob Smith
Clay Charlton	Eleanor Garner	Debbie Collins
Donna Ford		

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

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Dr. Dawson Harmon, Pastor

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are welcomed and cared for,
empowered to grow spiritually,
and equipped to serve God
and each other in meaningful ways.**