Service for the Lord's Day

First Sunday in Lent February 14, 2016

All sinners are welcome here.

Please leave your sin outside, to enter this Holy Place in reverence and gratitude.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

(each person prays silently)

In those forty days Jesus was faced with hunger, doubt, and temptation. As we seek to follow Him, please lead us, even into the uncomfortable choices. Amen.

Gathering

PRELUDE

WELCOME Bert Lowe

*INTROIT #43

"You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord"

Joncas, 1978

*CALL TO WORSHIP

O God, we yearn to take refuge in you.

We open our minds for your word.

O God, we long to ease the troubles of our hearts.

We lift our hearts, for your direction.

O God, we seek to travel your journey of steadfast love.

We give our lives for your mission and ministry

O God, we are eager to learn your path of faithfulness.

We dedicate ourselves again to your call.

O God, we listen for your message: "You are my beloved."

To you, we belong completely, and forever.

*HYMN #166

"Lord, Who throughout These Forty Days"

Hernaman, 1873

CALL TO CONFESSION

God makes no distinction between us. We are all sinners, we are all children of God, we are all precious to God, and we are all saved by God. Because God makes no distinction, let us confess our common humanity to the One who is so generous. We will pray first silently, then together using the words in the bulletin.

SILENT PRAYER

(A time of silence for personal prayer)

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Most merciful God, whose Son Jesus was tempted in every way, yet without sin, we confess before you and each other, that we have sinned. We have hungered after that which does not satisfy. We have compromised with evil. We have doubted your power to protect us. Forgive our lack of faith and have mercy on our weakness once again. Restore in us such love and trust that we may walk in your ways and delight in doing your will. For we pray in your Son's name. Amen.

LORD HAVE MERCY Kyrie Eleison

"Lord, have mercy upon us, Christ have mercy upon us, Lord have mercy upon us."

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God has listened to our prayers and to our silence. God reaches out, with signs and wonders, with grace and forgiveness, and makes us whole. In the name of the Son of God, we are forgiven.

On our lips and in our hearts, we give thanks to the One who forgives us and heals us. Thanks to our God. Amen.

*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.

Proclaiming

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE Psalm 91: 1-2, 9-16

Bibles, p.518/LG. p.674

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

HYMN #816

SERMON

"If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee"

Neumark, 1641

#580

SECOND SCRIPTURE

Luke 4:1-13

Bibles, p.57/ LG. p.74 *Thanks be to God*

The Word of God, for the People of God

"Will That Be On the Test?"

Rev. Candice L. Klein

Responding

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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 from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at 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.

—The Apostles' Creed

CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

MINISTRY OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "I call to Thee" J.S. Bach

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Sending

*HYMN #618 "O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High" (v. 1-3) Kempis, 1854

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE #618 "O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High" (v. 5)

POSTLUDE "Magnificat" Koury

(*) Those who are able may stand. **Bold italic letters** indicate congregational responses.

This week's prayers and concerns: Tolly Dill and family, Jack Clark and family, Jack Gray, Debbie Murphy, Syble DeLoach, and Cindy Ratliff

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2:00pm

Thur. 02/18 L.E.A.N. Meeting
Sun. 02/21 Second Sunday in Lent
Choir Practice Every Wed. at 6:00pm

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