

# 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent 2019

## THE GATHERING

Ringing the 1887 Bell

Carillon Processional

### Welcome & Announcements

Prelude "Saw Ye My Savior" arr. Robert J. Powell

### \* Call to Worship

One: The season of Lent sets us on a journey.

**All: The journey begins in the wilderness.**

One: We follow the way of Jesus, who faced trials, trouble, temptation, and testing.

**All: Like Jesus, we are not alone. The Holy Spirit is with us. God's Word is on our lips.**

One: Our call is to trust in God alone, to do God's will in all things.

**All: For God leads us not only into the wilderness, but also through the wilderness.**

\* Opening Hymn #394 "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"

### Prayer of the Day (*unison*)

**God Most High, thank you for signs of your power and grace, shown to us even in the wilderness. Give us courage to stand firm in your Word in every time of trial and testing, that we may enter the land of your freedom and receive the salvation you so generously give; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### Call to Confession

One: God is faithful, leading us into freedom, but we are conditioned to the slavery of sin. Comfortable with the way things are, we lose sight of the way God intends them to be. We bring our confession before the One who is more powerful than Pharaoh in Egypt, mightier than the devil in the wilderness.

### Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

**O God, our refuge and fortress, forgive us when we fail to trust in you. We fall to temptation; we are swayed by false words; we speak false words of our own. We choose our ease and comfort over your demanding claims upon us and upon the world. In turning from you, we settle for less than the abundant generosity you intend. Forgive us, we pray. Do not let us be put to shame, O God. Hear us as we call to you and show us your salvation. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.**

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\* Please stand as you are able

**Bold type** indicates text to be spoken or song to be sung by the congregation.

### Assurance of Forgiveness

One: Scripture declares, the Lord is generous to all who call on God's name. Friends, believe the good news: God does not turn away from us, but desires to bring us into the glorious freedom offered in Jesus Christ. Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

\* Response #581

**Gloria Patri**

### \* The Passing of the Peace

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.** (*Take a moment to greet each other with the peace of Christ*)

\* Hymn #487

**"These Treasured Children"**

vs. #3

### Time for Young Disciples

Rev. Meggan Farwell

**All: You're beautiful! God loves you! And we love you too!**

## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

### Prayer for Illumination (*unison*)

**Bring your word near to us, O God. May it rest not only on our lips, but also reside in our hearts. By the power of your Holy Spirit, help us to respond to your word with our whole lives until you become our dwelling place; through Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.**

### Scripture Reading

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Pew Bible – OT p.180

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### Handbell Anthem

"I'm Just a Poor Wayfaring Stranger"

arr. Tammy Waldrop

### Scripture Reading

Luke 4:1-13

Pew Bible – NT p.61

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### Sermon

"Building Trust"

Rev. Dr. Luke Farwell

## THE RESPONSE TO THE WORD

\* Hymn #838

**"Standing on the Promises"**

\* Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed

Hymnal, pg. 35

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

### Offering

\* Doxology #607

\* Prayer of Dedication (*unison*)

Gracious and Generous God, we are amazed by the good gifts you bestow in abundance. Thank you for food that sustains us on our journey. Thank you for the company of saints to whom we are joined. Thank you for giving us your work to do on earth. We offer back to you a portion of all that we have received, setting down our baskets in celebration of your greatest gift, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

**THE SENDING OUT**

\* Closing Hymn #353 “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”

\* Charge & Benediction

\* Postlude “Postlude” Heller/arr. George Blake



*Following worship, deacons will be available to pray with you in the prayer room if needed.*

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Our beautiful chancel flowers are given by Dzekute Family in celebration of Jonathon’s Birthday.

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**Assisting in Worship This Morning**

**Greeters:** Wally & Laurel Heil

**Liturgist:** Lynnée Schmidt

**Acolytes:** Sarah McPherson & Natalia Welle

**Ushers:** Bill Picard, Ken Nyberg, Lou Seiler & Mark DeCleene

**Organist:** Julie Mackey

**Handbell Director:** Ted Huebbe

**Elder of the Month:** Brian Lindow

**Deacons of the Month:** Lou Seiler & Dan Hamersky

**Tech Crew:** Mark Young, Ted Huebbe, Steve Marks & Joe Williams

**Fellowship:** Sandra Zeimer & Lynn Huebbe

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