# 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent

March 6, 2022 10:00 AM

### **WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD**

CHIMING THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MISSION MINUTE: Shelia Heaton, Bee Full Food Pantry

PRELUDE: Handbells

CALL TO WORSHIP

Mark Chamberlin, Liturgist

One: Who makes the desert bloom?

All: It is God who makes the desert bloom.

One: Who turns stones to bread?

All: It is God who turns stones to bread. One: How shall we offer thanks to God?

All: We will offer the best of what we have been given.

One: Come, we worship God.

\*HYMN #553 "For the Fruit of All Creation"

## CALL TO RECONCILIATION

Liturgist

The proof of God's amazing love is this: while we were still sinners Christ died for us. In humility and faith, we confess our need of God's grace.

## PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION (UNISON)

O God our refuge in times of need, you led your people out of bondage in Egypt and set before them the promise of a land of milk and honey. And yet the people grumbled and fell away.

Forgive us, O God, when we have looked upon your promises with impatience and ingratitude.

Forgive us, O God, when we have taken your bounty for granted, discarding what you offer us and wasting your creation.

Forgive us, O God, when we have been tempted by the lure of wealth and possessions. We have sometimes forgotten that we were

BREAKING BREAD, POURING THE CUP

COMMUNION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We are grateful, O God, for the promise in Christ of a new creation, so we join with the Holy Spirit in recreating our own lives and sharing in the recreation of the world about us. Where there is futility, may we proclaim hope; where there is decay, may we witness to the renewal you are bringing in Christ. Amen.

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY: Gwilym Beechey: Prelude on "Jesu, Grant Me This I Pray"

\*DOXOLOGY (tune is Old Hundredth) \*HYMN #592

## PRAYER OF DEDICATION (UNISON)

O God of life and truth, you have gifted us with the discipline of giving, so that we might truly celebrate thanksgiving. Continue to lead us away from temptation and deliver us from evil, that we may remain always alive in the joy of your holy reign. Amen

\*CLOSING HYMN #514 "Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: J.S. Bach: If You But Suffer God to Guide Thee

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\*For those who are able, please stand.

- Today's Ushers: Rush & Marty Pond
- **Communion Servers**: Marty Pond and Martha Stevens
- Seven Words to the Cross Lenten Bible Study: Monday, March 7, 10 a.m in the Media Center and Wednesday, March 9 via Zoom
- Music & Worship: Monday, March 7, 1:30 in the Media Center
- **Session:** Tuesday, March 8, 7:00 in the Media Center
- **Deacons:** Tuesday, March 15, 7:00 in the Media Center

# **Identity Statement**

We are a loving family of God, following Christ by practicing our legacy of worship, education, and mission to neighbors.

# Remember in Your Prayers & Correspondence

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not made to live by bread alone.

Forgive us, O God, when we have used our circumstances in pursuit of self-glorification.

SILENT REFLECTION

O God, cleanse and renew us, so that we may worship and serve you with our whole hearts.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty. "With long life I will satisfy them," God says, "and show them my salvation." Friends, know that God loves you, and will care for you always.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE "We Will Glorify the King of Kings" \*HYMN #2087

We will glorify the King of kings, we will glorify the Lamb; we will glorify the Lord of lords, who is the great I AM

## WE HEAR AND REFLECT ON GOD'S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Deuteronomy 26:1-11 Page #251

Liturgist

MUSICAL OFFERING: Johann Pachelbel: Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Luke 4:1-13 Page #1248

Rev. Dr. Carson O. Mouser

SERMON "Divine Companions"

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\*HYMN #77 "Forty Days and Forty Nights"

CELEBRATION OF EUCHARIST

#### INVITATION

Because life matters, we all matter. Because bread and wine matter all are welcome here to taste and see the good things God is doing. Welcome to the table of life.

#### GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

When things become cross-shaped and the way pulls us forward beyond where we have been before, when our nourishment is found in bread and wine, food for the journey and not a celebration at the end of anything; when our souls recoil with the thought of what lies ahead and the story we have to hear once more, and the crumbling away of heaven's promises, you meet us here, O God, at the table of sacrifice and suffering, of promise and future, and open our eyes to the shape of that future.

You, O Lord, meet us here where everything we believe becomes real and all on which we stake our faith becomes tangible in bread, in wine in being here and nowhere else today. You, O God, meet us here, for this meal needs sharing with those willing to travel on the journey and the way of the cross.

O God of bread and wine, Jesus, resurrection's promise, Spirit, voice in the wilderness, we meet you in bread and wine to tell salvation's story.

On the edge of promise and teetering on the brink of the cross we share your feast waiting, along with the world, for justice and the renewal new life. And so, we hold silence and wait with you.

We hold silence and listen for your call. We hold silence and know such silence is all we can give in response to the news of your journey towards the cross. Silent Reflection

Hear us as we sing with the angels

Holy, holy God of presence and infinite space, heaven and earth are full of your glory; hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in your name; hosanna in the highest.

This is our thanksgiving for all you have done and will be doing for justice and life, for truth and forgiveness, for promise and salvation leading us to pray as Jesus taught us, 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.