

For Prayer & Contemplation

‘Nothing worth doing is completed in our lifetime; therefore, we are saved by hope. Nothing true or beautiful or good makes complete sense in any immediate context of history; therefore, we are saved by faith. Nothing we do, however virtuous, can be accomplished alone; therefore, we are saved by love.’ – Reinhold Niebuhr

Welcome & Sharing Information

Prelude “We Walk By Faith” - arr. Maxwell

Call to Worship

One: We wander in search of answers,
and find you along for the journey.

All: A little faith goes a long way...

One: We stand watch for glimpses of your coming kingdom
and it creeps in beside us.

All: A little faith goes a long way...

One: We wait in hope, for a new world to be born from the old,
and count the shoots coming up from the ground.

All: A little faith goes a long way...

One: We gather in faith,
without all the answers,
yet knowing that in seeking we shall find.
Trust in the Lord with all your heart,
and know that God is not far.

**All: A little faith goes a long way!
Let us worship God!**

*Hymn No. 656 “We've Come This Far by Faith”

Prayer of Confession

**In our world that values realism over hope,
we confess that often forget that You are on our side.
We avoid the difficult and we say it can't be done,
forgetting that all things are possible in You.
We give up quickly,
forgetting Your steadfast faithfulness.
We tame our dreams into something more manageable,
forgetting the power of Your Spirit.**

Forgive us, Lord.
Restore our hope and nourish our confidence in You.
Guide us to see You at work around us,
so that we may not fear,
but faithfully walk with You.

Moment of Silence

Words of Assurance (Adapted from Romans 8)

One: Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn? Only
Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns
in power for us, Christ prays for us. Friends, believe the Good
News!

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

*Hymn No. 63 (v. 1) “The Lord is God”

**“The Lord is God, the Lord alone! Give honor, thanks, and
praise to God, the maker of all things and giver of our days.”**

Passing of Peace

One: May the Peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Anthem “I Want to Always Walk with Jesus” –
African American spiritual, arr. Wentzel - *Sunshine Singers*

Time with Children (Dismissal to Sunday School)

Pastor: It is time for you to depart.

Adults: God be with you there.

Children: God be with you here.

Scripture

1st Reading: *Psalms 27*
Old Testament PG 503-4, Large Print 619-20

2nd Reading: *Genesis 15:1-6*
Old Testament PG 12, Large Print 14

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon “A Little Faith Goes a Long Way” - *Rev. Drew Harrison*

Affirmation of Faith (From *A Brief Statement of Faith*)

**In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage
to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.
In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks
and to live holy and joyful lives,
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,...**

...praying, “Come, Lord Jesus!”

Invitation to Offering

Offertory

*Doxology No. 606 “Praise God...All Blessings Flow”
**“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.”**

*Unison Prayer of Dedication

**Gracious God, your gifts are more than we deserve. We give
you our thanks as we offer up our gifts. Accept them, bless
them, and let them serve your kingdom as we do. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

*Dan, Maisy, the family of Olive, the family of Ron, Nic and family,
Chic, Alyssa, Patrick, Erin, Rhett, Rachel, Jamie, Meg, Heather,
Joanna, Dorothy, Sara, Jim, David, Ted, William, Mimi, Rachael,
Laura, Phyllis, Aaron, Douglas*

The 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.**

*Hymn No. 817 “We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight”

*Benediction

*Benediction Hymn No. 166 (v.1) “Lord... These 40 Days”
**“Lord, who throughout these forty days for us did fast and
pray, teach us with you to mourn our sins and close by you
to stay.”**

Postlude “Three Variations on ‘Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your
Word’” – Weber

***** ***** *Please stand as you are able.* ***** *****

<i>Thank you to our Worship Servers</i>	
Liturgist	Betsy Wriggins
Ushers	John Fitzpatrick, Renee Sheridan
Acolyte	Jillian Lai
Coffee Hour Hosts	Mike & Dawn Jurkiewicz



Music Notes

Today's prelude is David Maxwell's 2013 setting of the hymn tune "Shanti." Originally composed by Marty Haugen in 1984, this is an alternate melody for the text of hymn #817. Its first entrance appears in the pedals, played on the flute stops. The postlude is taken from Jacob Weber's 2018 set of 4 variations on "Erhalt uns, Herr" - a chorale melody first published in Germany in 1543. We thank the Sunshine Singers for sharing special music with us this morning.



<i>This Week's Calendar</i> March 13-20	
<i>Sunday</i> March 13	10 AM Worship Service – Sanctuary/Livestreaming 11:15 AM Sunshine Singers Practice – Music Room 11:30 AM Confirmation Class – Memorial Lounge
<i>Monday</i> March 14	7 PM Property Committee – Upstairs Kitchen
<i>Tuesday</i> March 15	9:30 AM Grace Circle – Agape Room 6:30 PM Girl Scout Troops Mtg. – Social Hall 7 PM Candlelight Prayer Vigil for Ukraine – Baptist Church Courtyard
<i>Wednesday</i> March 16	10 AM Joy Circle – Agape Room 2-4 PM Food Pantry Donation Drive-By – Elevator Entrance 6:30 PM Sparrow Chorale – Music Room 7 PM Circle of Life – Church Library
<i>Thursday</i> March 17	7 PM Bell Choir Practice – Music Room 7 PM Christian Education Committee – Zoom 8 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
<i>Friday</i> March 18	
<i>Saturday</i> March 19	1 PM It's OK to Play – Field of Dreams Playground
<i>Sunday</i> March 20	<i>First Day of Spring</i> 10 AM Worship Service – Sanctuary/Livestreaming 11:15 AM Sunshine Singers Practice – Music Room 11:30 AM Confirmation Class – Memorial Lounge 3 PM Jazz Legacy Concert - Sanctuary



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2nd Sunday in Lent
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