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March 9, 2025

8AM and 10:30AM Worship

First Sunday in Lent

Awakening joyful service guided by our still speaking God!

** please stand as you are able; **bold print congregational response***

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TIME OF SHARING/GREETING

PRELUDE MUSIC – “Lead Me to Calvary” – *L. Larson*

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

This is the day that God has made;

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

O come, let us worship and bow down;

Let us kneel before God, our Maker.

***PRAYER**

Divine Sojourner, as we saunter far into the wilderness, may your light sustain us. May the questions that fill our minds with doubt drift away into the sands of the journey. May we dig within our souls to remove the prejudices deep within us. However we wander in this season, may your Holy Glow refocus our attention on our relationship with you and the ways we connect with our siblings.

Amen.

***HYMN #460 “Be Not Dismayed”**

PRAYER OF REFLECTION AND GROWTH

God of the Road, we journey together into the wilderness again. In this time filled with new spiritual practices and studies, our minds will be “tested.” Doubts will creep in as we seek your presence. At times, we will slide away from our responsibilities to care for our neighbors. **“Keep awake,” you call to us. And so we ask ourselves: Will hurtful words from others taunt us, and inhibit our growth with you? Will negative images in our minds draw us away from our practices? Will we snooze to the needs of this world and ignore the pain in our communities? Deliver us from the temptations of this world and the tests that we impose upon ourselves. Amen.**

MOMENT FOR SILENT REFLECTION

SUNG RESPONSE

#188 "Give Me a Clean Heart"

*Give me a clean heart so I may serve you.
God, fix my heart so that I may be used by you.
For I'm not worthy of all these blessings.
Give me a clean heart and I'll follow you.*

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Psalm 91:1-3, 9-16 (Responsive)

You who live in the shelter of the Most High,
who abide in the shadow of the Almighty,
²will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my fortress;
my God, in whom I trust."

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of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence;**

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the Most High your dwelling place,**

¹⁰**no evil shall befall you, no scourge come near your tent.**

¹¹For he will command his angels concerning
you to guard you in all your ways.

¹²**On their hands they will bear you up,
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.**

¹³You will tread on the lion and the adder,
the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot.

¹⁴**Those who love me, I will deliver;
I will protect those who know my name.**

¹⁵When they call to me, I will answer them;
I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honor them.
¹⁶**With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my salvation.**

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 4:1-13

SERMON

"Resisting Temptation"

8:00am Rev. Sue Fritz

10:30am Rev. Sterling Fritz

PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN #211 "Lord Jesus, Who Through Forty Days" (*Remain Seated*)

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH #881 The Apostles Creed (*Insert*)

*CELEBRATION OF OUR GIFTS

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE #780 **Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, you heavenly host:

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Transform our lives, O God, and let these gifts change the world into which we send them. Take them and multiply them to be a blessing of justice and peace in the world you love! Amen.

*HYMN #185 "On Eagles Wings" (*Insert*)

*FINAL BLESSING

CHORAL BENEDICTION - "Go Now in Peace" - *Besig/Price*
Senior Choir

*POSTLUDE

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***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

881 The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen**

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Be Not Dismayed
(God Will Take Care of You)

Civilla D. Martin, 1904; alt.

1. Be not dis-mayed what-e'er be-tide,
God will take care of you;
Be-neath God's wings of love a-bide,
God will take care of you.

Refrain:

God will take care of you,
through ev-ery day, o'er all the way;
God will take care of you, God will take care of you.

2. Through days of toil when heart grows frail,
God will take care of you;
When dan-gers fierce your path as-sail,
God will take care of you.

Refrain:

3. All you may need God will pro-vide,
God will take care of you;
Noth-ing you ask will be de-nied,
God will take care of you.

Refrain:

4. No mat-ter what may be the test,
God will take care of you;
Lean, wea-ry one, up-on God's breast,
God will take care of you.

Refrain:

Lord Jesus, Who through Forty Days

Claudia F. I. Hernaman, 1873; alt.

1. Lord Je-sus, who through for-ty days
for us did fast and pray,
Teach us with you to mourn our sins,
and close by you to stay.

2. As you with Sa-tan did con-tend,
and did the vic-tory win,
O give us strength to per-se-vere,
in you to con-quer sin.

3. And through these days of pen-i-tence,
and through this Pas-sion-tide,
Yes, ev-er-more, in life and death,
O Christ, with us a-bide.

4. A-bide with us, till when this life
of suf-fering shall be past,
An Eas-ter of un-end-ing joy
we may at-tain at last.

Mark 1:12–13; Luke 4:1–13

On Eagle's Wings

The musical score is written in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of a main melody and a refrain. The main melody is in 4/4 time and includes the following lyrics: "1 You who dwell in the shel-ter of the Lord, who a - bide in his shad-ow for life, say to the Lord: 'My ref - uge, my rock in whom I trust!'" The refrain is in 2/4 time and includes the following lyrics: "And he will raise you up on ea - gle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand." The score includes guitar chords and a bass line.

Chords: G, Dmaj7/F#, F, Dm, Gm, Asus, A7, D, Em, A7, D, D7, G, Em, A7, Bm, Em, D/F#, Em, A7, D

Lyrics:

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Text and music: Michael Joncas (b. 1951), based on Psalm 91

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Musical staff 1: Treble clef, key signature of two sharps (F# and C#), 4/4 time signature. Chords: G, DMaj7/F#.

2 The snare of the fowl-er will nev-er cap-ture you, and

Musical staff 2: Treble clef, key signature of two sharps, 4/4 time signature. Chords: G, DMaj7/F#, F (with a triplet of eighth notes).

fam-ine will bring you no fear: un-der his wings your

Musical staff 3: Treble clef, key signature of two sharps, 4/4 time signature. Chords: Dm, F, Gm, Asus. Labeled "Refrain".

ref - uge, his faith - ful - ness your shield.

Musical staff 4: Treble clef, key signature of two sharps, 4/4 time signature. Chords: G (with a triplet of eighth notes), DMaj7/F#.

3 You need not fear the ter-ror of the night, nor the

Musical staff 5: Treble clef, key signature of two sharps, 4/4 time signature. Chords: G, DMaj7/F#, F.

ar - row that flies by day; though thou - sands fall a -

Musical staff 6: Treble clef, key signature of two sharps, 4/4 time signature. Chords: Dm, F, Gm, Asus. Labeled "Refrain".

bout you, near you it shall not come.

Musical staff 7: Treble clef, key signature of two sharps, 4/4 time signature. Chords: G (with a triplet of eighth notes), DMaj7/F#.

4 For to his an - gels is giv - en a com - mand to

Musical staff 8: Treble clef, key signature of two sharps, 4/4 time signature. Chords: G, DMaj7/F#, F.

guard you in all of your ways; up - on their hands they will

Musical staff 9: Treble clef, key signature of two sharps, 4/4 time signature. Chords: Gm, Am, Bb, Asus. Labeled "Refrain".

bear you up, lest you dash your foot a-against a stone.