

THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday, February 18, 2024

11:00 a.m.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Chorale and Prelude: Ach, Gott vom Himmel

J.C. Bach

INTROIT

Your Ways, O Lord, Are Love and Truth (from Psalm 25)

Duncan/Gelineau

Cameron Carpenter, soloist

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Adapted from Psalm 25:1-10

Leader: To you, O LORD, we lift up our souls; O God, in you we trust;

People: Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame.

Leader: Make us to know your ways, O LORD; lead us in your truth, and teach us.

People: Be mindful of your mercy, O LORD, and of your steadfast love.

Leader: Do not remember the sins of our youth or our transgressions.

People: Good and upright is the LORD and instructs sinners in the way.

Leader: The LORD leads the humble in what is right, and teaches us the way.

People: All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness.

*HYMN #72

When Jesus Came to Jordan
verses 1 and 4

DIE EERSTEN ZUN
DE LAATSTEN

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord of steadfast loving kindness: by our iniquities, we corrupt the goodness of Your creation. We acknowledge that we have yielded to temptation, and have lost ourselves to selfish desires and worldly pleasures. Deliver us from evil, O God, and speak to us with the words of abundant life. Forgive our transgressions and grant us victory over sin, that we may be restored to Your grace by the mercy of Christ. For we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

KYRIE #572

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

WORDS WITH OUR YOUNG CHURCH

Children ages K-3rd grade are now invited downstairs for Children's Worship.

ANTHEM

Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

Erik Meyer

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Mark 1:9-15

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks Be to God.

SERMON

“Temptation and the Reign of God”

Rev. Curtis Christian

*HYMN #81

Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days
verses 1 and 2

ST. FLAVIAN

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

--The Heidelberg Catechism

We believe in God, the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who out of nothing created heaven and earth with all that is in them, Who also upholds and governs them by His eternal counsel and providence.

We believe in Jesus Christ, God’s own eternal Son, Who is ordained by the Father, and anointed with the Holy Spirit, to be our only High Priest, having redeemed us by the sacrifice of His body and ever interceding for us before the Father; and to be our eternal King, governing us by His Word and Spirit, in the redemption He has won for us.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, Who with the Father and the Son, is equally eternal God; that the Spirit is given to us through true faith to share in Christ and all His benefits, and that the Spirit comforts us and abided with us forever.

We believe that we belong, body and soul, in life and in death, not to ourselves, but to our Savior, Jesus Christ.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #579

Gloria Patri

MOMENT FOR MISSION

One Great Hour

Bonnie Gray

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

OFFERINGS FOR THE MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

OFFERTORY

Peach

Manookin

*DOXOLOGY #592

Old Hundredth

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

BEARING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN #80

Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley
verses 1 and 3

LONESOME VALLEY

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION

We All Have Found a Roadway

WEST MAIN

*POSTLUDE

Abbey Postlude

G.A. Murray

*Those who are able, please stand

***Late Arrivals Seated

This morning's Lay Reader is Tom Long.

This morning's flowers have been given in memory of Engracia Cardoso by her family.