

Children are always welcome in the Sanctuary during worship. Should you find that your child grows restless, there is child care available. Infants are cared for in the Nursery in Room 105, toddlers 18 months through two years in Room 112.

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WORSHIP MARCH 1, 2009

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

Thank you for making sure your cell phone is off during the worship hour.

THE PRELUDE

Walter Huff

*** THE CALL TO WORSHIP**

Kevin Weber

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

People: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all God's benefits.

Leader: Who forgives all your sins and heals all your infirmities;

People: Who redeems your life from the grave, and crowns you with mercy and loving-kindness.

All: Together, let us worship God.

*** THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN 356**

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

THE CALL TO CONFESSION

**(The asterisk indicates parts of the worship when the congregation is invited to stand as they are able.)*

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained, and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

A MOMENT OF SILENCE *(for examination of conscience and personal prayers of confession)*

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*** THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** (Hymn 357)

In hope that sends a shining ray far down the future's broadening way; in peace that only Thou canst give, with Thee, O Master, let me live.

* THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*(Children ages 2-11 are invited to leave after **The Peace of Christ** for special classes. Three-year olds are in Room 204; Pre-K in G-11; K - 2nd grade in G-1; 3rd - 5th grades in G-3.)*

THE CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

(Visitors and members are invited to sign the blue friendship register pad and pass it down the pew.)

THE RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

THE ANTHEM

Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now

Byrd, arr. Hopson

Lord Jesus Christ, be present now. Our hearts in true devotion bow, Thy spirit send with grace divine. O may Thy truth within us shine. Unseal our lips to sing Thy praise, our souls to Thee in worship raise. Make strong our faith, increase our light. O may we know Thy name aright.

THE PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 1:9-15

(page 33 in the Pew Bible)

THE SERMON

"Into the Wilderness"

Joanna Adams

And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. Mark 1: 12

* THE HYMN 403

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

(verses 1 through 3)

THE OFFERTORY

Adagio

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* THE DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

(Hymn 592)

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Robert Gray

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give thanks and praise.

Sanctus: Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might,

(Hymn 581)

Heaven and earth are full of your glory; Hosanna in the

highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna

in the highest.

Communion of the People

Prayer after the Meal

* THE HYMN 84

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

* THE CHARGE AND BEDICTION

* THE CHORAL RESPONSE

Jesus, Remember Me

Berthier