



**St. Mark's Presbyterian Church**  
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**March 1, 2020**  
**First Sunday in Lent**

*\* Please stand for these moments during the service if you are able to.*

### **WE GATHER TO JOURNEY WITH JESUS**

Prelude: Prelude - Opus 28 No.4 - Chopin ; Nocturne from "A Midsummer Night's Dream" – Mendelssohn

Introit: Where Could I Go? - James B. Coats

Vv. 1 & 2 sung by the Senior Choir

Congregational chorus: Where could I go,  
O where could I go seeking a refuge for my soul?  
Needing a friend to help me in the end,  
where could I go but to the Lord?

\*Responsive Call to Worship:

After he was baptized by John, Jesus went by himself to the wilderness where he was tempted.

**Forty days in the desert, Jesus was tempted to become relevant, spectacular, and powerful.**

Today, we begin to journey with Jesus through the season of Lent, which brings us to face some of our own weaknesses and temptations.

**Let us worship God and walk the journey together, seeking the spirit as our guide and companion along the way.**

Hymn of Praise: "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessings" **# 35 Red**

Our Prayer of Adoration

Song Verse: "Open Our Eyes Lord" **# 445 Blue**

God, you know our hearts. You have knitted our inmost being.

**You know our deepest desires, fears and worries.**

In your name is our purpose. In your love for our world is our hope.

**We offer you our songs and prayers of praise this day. We rejoice in your way of love and mercy.**

Help us to journey during this Lenten season into a new awareness of your presence in our lives.

**You call us to greater maturity and deeper love. Receive our love and help us to grow in this hour of worship. Amen.**

### **WE RECEIVE GOD'S GRACE ON THE JOURNEY**

Our Prayer of Confession:

Song Refrain "Open Our Eyes Lord" **# 445 Blue**

God of mercy, we come before you, bringing lives with burdens and cares, hopes and ambitions. We lay before you our grudges.

**We confess we are often so focused on these that we are distracted from your purpose for our lives.**

Hear us as we acknowledge to you the things that occupy our thoughts, things that trouble us and any things of which we are ashamed.

**Strengthen and renew us with your Spirit so that we may live as changed people, better able to follow Jesus, our Saviour, in whose name we pray. Amen**

Song Verse "Open Our Eyes Lord" **# 445 Blue**

Welcome and Announcements **(See Insert)**

We come to ask your forgiveness - Carey Landry - arr. by Tom Tilden - sung by the Intermediate Choir

### **GOD'S WORD IS FOOD FOR THE JOURNEY**

\*Youth Hymn: "Lord Jesus You Shall be My Song" **# 665 Blue**

Lenten Reading led by Daniella and Grace Bernard **(See Insert)**

Youth Message:

**The Scriptures:**

Responsive Psalm 32

**Refrain # 3**

New Testament: Romans 5:12-19 (Page 917)

Anthem: On Eagle's Wings - Michael Joncas - Choral setting –

Douglas E Wagner

Sermon: "Taken to the edge"

Hymn of Transition: "Amazing Grace How Sweet The Sound" **# 670 Blue**

### **WE CELEBRATE THE LORD'S SUPPER**

The Invitation

We Confess Our Faith: Apostles' Creed **(BoP#539)**

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving **(BoP#564)**

Communion Hymns: **# 507 (Blue) & # 265 (Red)**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The giving of our Gifts in Tithes and Offering: Tempted and tried –

W.B.Stevens

\*Offertory Doxology:

*Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

*Praise Him All Creatures Here below*

### **WE GO TO CONTINUE OUR JOURNEY OF FAITH**

\*Offertory Prayer

\*Closing Hymn: "Alas and did my Saviour Bleed" **# 227 Red**

\*Benediction:

\*Choral Benediction: Praise God, Praise God.

Postlude: Seek ye first - Karen Lafferty