

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Of Westminster



The Service of Worship
1st Sunday in Lent
March 1, 2020 – 11:00 am

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude: “Home Away from Home” – *Coulter*

Emily Cugle – Keyboard; Kathy Hillock – Percussion; Shari Schucht - Flute

(During the prelude we invite you to center yourself for worship)

Call to Worship:

Leader: Jesus of the temptations, you enter the wilderness of our hungers,
our lust for power, our eagerness to test God:

People: *be with us on our journey to Jerusalem, we pray.*

Leader: Jesus of hopes, you set aside your glory,
choosing to cradle us in your scarred hands:

People: *hold us in your tender embrace, we pray.*

Leader: Jesus of the Feast, you are broken so we might be healed, you pour
out yourself so we might be drenched in your grace:

People: *feed us from the simple gifts of creation, we pray.*

 Prayer for the Day: *(in unison)*

***One thing we know, Listener to our hearts: you are the One who sends us on
journeys and waits for us at the final destination.***

***One thing we know, Healer of our lives: when we find ourselves in valleys veiled
in shadows, you are walking alongside us even though we may never notice.***

***One thing we know, Comforter of our souls: when we are weakened by the
burdens of our lives, you come to us, to rest your strengthening peace upon us.***



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One thing we know, God in Community, Holy in One: once we could not see you in every moment, but now our eyes are opened wide, and so we pray together, saying, 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 sins as we forgive those who sinned against us; 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: #172 “My Shepherd Will Supply My Need” (Words are on the screens.)

Confession of Sin:

Call to Confession

 Prayer of Confession: *(in unison)*

Led by the crafter of lies, Lord God, we wander into the wasteland of wrongdoing. We hunger for more and more and feel emptier and emptier. We seek power, especially over others, only to do harm. By our choices, we worship the false gods of success, wealth, and spectacle.

Have mercy on us, God of love, and forgive us for the power we give to temptation in our lives. Help us to become as vulnerable as Jesus, for in that vulnerability, we find the humility to trust you in all things; in that trust, we discover the grace which sets us free from the grasp of the shrewd one; in that freedom, we can leave our badlands behind, in order to follow Jesus in this life, and into the next.

 Silent Personal Confession

Assurance of Pardon

The Peace:

L: May the peace of Jesus Christ be with you.

P: ***And also with you.***

(Now please share The Peace with those around you.)



 Response: #579 “Glory Be to the Father”

Children’s Moment: *(Following the Children’s Moment, children ages 4-7 (preschool-1st grade) are invited to Children’s Worship/Sprouts. They will return after the sermon. On the first Sunday of the month, only Sprouts and New Creation singing groups will meet.)*

Anthem: “My Way Is Not His Way” – arr. McDonald

 Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lessons: *(Screens as well as Matthew’s reading will be from NRSV.)*

Psalm 32 *(Pew Bible, page 549)*

Matthew 4:1-11 *(Pew Bible, page 957)*

L: This is the word of the Lord.

P: ***Thanks be to God.***

Sermon: “Waiting for the Angels”

 Hymn: #298 “There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy” *(Words are on the screens.)*

 Ordination and Installation of Officers

 Concerns, Prayers of the People *(Prayer Cards can be found in the pew.)*
Prayer Family – John, Janna and Kenton VanderWoude –

The Offering:

Invitation to Offering

Presentation of Offerings

Offertory: “To The Maker, Alleluia!” – Foley

 Prayer of Dedication

 Doxology: #592 *(on the screens)*

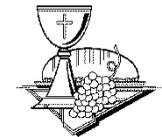
The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

Invitation to the Lord’s Table

Words of Institution

Distribution of the Elements

(Please hold each the bread and the cup until all have been served)



 Hymn: #81 “Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days” *(Words are on the screens.)*

 Benediction

 Response: “Go Forth” *(on the screens)*

 Postlude: “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name” – arr. Page

Please note: at places marked by  all who are able are asked to stand.

As Our Service of Worship Ends, Our Ministry of Service Begins!
