

Sunday March 5th 2023

PRELUDE:

MEDITATION PRAYER:

“For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways. They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone.”

(Psalm 91:11-12).

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Meet & Greet:

CALL TO CONTEMPLATION*

CALL TO WORSHIP:

P: Jesus, Son of the Living God, may your blessing and love surround us this day.

C: Let the glory of the Lord shine forth, and may his beauty fill the sanctuary!

P: Lord Jesus we adore you, and in this Lenten Season stay close to our hearts.

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P: Lord, your name is power and your name is healing. May we always find comfort in praising your name.

C: We cherish the moments we gather together in worship, but above all, we cherish the moments when we sit still in the presence of God. Amen.

HYMN: #38 (Red Hymnal) “Morning Has Broken”

PRAYER OF INVOCATION:

Bread of Heaven, In this Lenten Season may our souls be calm and rested as we look up to the heavens and believe that you are smiling down on us. Give us a loving heart to share with the hungry, and a humbling mind to engage in silent prayer. May we also reflect on your three year ministry on earth when you healed many, feed many, and had compassion and showed empathy to many. Teach us how to be sensitive to the needs of others, and to have a sincere concern for those who are going through a difficult time in their lives. Let love be our motive and concern in this season. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING : Mark 9:34-37

SERMON: 'Humility, the Secret of Greatness' (by Minister Miriam Theodore)

COMMUNION HYMN: #288 “Let Us Break Bread Together”

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

With grateful hearts we praise you O God, for your great goodness in the gift of Christ. Through sacred memory, Christ has come to us and fed us at this table. Strengthen us by your grace to fellowship with Christ each day. Stir us to share Christ's cross in daily sacrificial service. Amen.

OFFERTORY INVITATION: Ezekiel 36:26-27

“And a new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you; and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and you shall keep my judgments, and do them.”

PRAYER OF DEDICATION:

A TIME OF SILENT PRAYER:

PASTORAL PRAYER:

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

MUSICAL RESPONSE:

CLOSING HYMN: #195 (Black Hymnal) “On a Hill Far Away”

BENEDICTION:

POSTLUDE: