SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY Second Sunday of Lent February 28, 2021 - 10:00 AM Worship Service

GATHERING

PRELUDE "Prelude in G Minor" Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 22)

Liturgist: Let us proclaim God's name to all the nations;

let us praise God among the people.

Ministers: We will honor and show reverence to the Lord.

Liturgist: God will not hide His face from us, but He will listen to our cries for help.

Ministers: We will fulfill our promises to the Lord.

Liturgist: All of us should return to God and should bow down before Him.

Ministers: Dominion and power belong to the Lord, and He rules over us.

Liturgist: May our children serve God;

future generations will be told about the wonders of God.

Ministers: The Lord's righteous acts will be told to those not yet born.

Liturgist: God does what He says He will do.

All: Praise be to Almighty God, Who lives and reigns with the Son

and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*HYMN "Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart" LUYH 114

CONFESSING

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Liturgist: God does not want us to perish for our sins,

but that our sins should be blotted out. We need to confess our sins. Let us pray.

All: Holy God, You have promised to bless us, but we doubt those promises.

Our faith is sometimes weak. We set our minds on human things rather than on divine things. We sometimes reject Your words. We fail to follow You regardless of the cost. Forgive us, O Lord,

and deliver us. You will not hide Your face from us.

Empower us to proclaim Your deliverance to all people.

We pray in Jesus' holy name. Amen.

*SILENT PRAYER

Liturgist: Hear our prayers, O Lord.

All: Amen.

*DECLARATION OF PARDON

Liturgist: Hear the good news!

Jesus was handed over to die for our sins, and was raised to make us right with God.

Know that in Jesus Christ we are forgiven and be at peace.

Ministers: Thanks be to God. Amen.

*RESPONSE TO PARDON "Bless the Lord, My Soul" LUYH 71

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCLAIMING

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION "Seek Ye First" GTG 175

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

Liturgist: The Word of the Lord. (OT)

Ministers: Thanks be to God

ANTHEM "You Are My King (Amazing Love)"

EPISTLE LESSON Romans 4:13-25

Liturgist: The Word of the Lord. (NT)

Ministers: Thanks be to God

*HYMN "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" GTG 829

A MOMENT WITH THE CHILDREN

SERMON "Faith, Not Law" Rev. Dr. Donald R. Hogg

RESPONDING

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH "I Believe in Jesus" LUYH 90

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS & SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

INVITATION TO FAITH AND MEMBERSHIP

DEDICATION OF LIFE IN TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "O World, I Now Must Leave Thee" Isaak/Cassler

*DOXOLOGY and PRAYER OF DEDICATION

DEPARTING

*HYMN *"There is a Redeemer"* LUYH 78

*BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE "Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days" GTG 166

(stanza 4)

*POSTLUDE "Fugue in G Minor" Bach

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Please be in prayer for the following:

Illness & Surgery

David & Mary Jo W. Fran B.

Sharon B. Gracie C. (former ELP teacher)

Keith & Meg W. (Robi M's nephew & wife) Sheryl F. (mother of Sheri M's son-in-law)

Randal R. (son-in-law of Dorothy R.)

Rebecca T. (granddaughter of Jim M.)

C. C. (friend of Carol E.) Tony R. (brother of Mickey R.)

Kathy N. Sheri M. Judy E. Robi M.

Other Needs

Andrew A.

Michael P. (grandson of Mickey & Patricia R.) – new job in Afghanistan

Welcome to Our New Members!

Stephen, Kayla and Ryder Cartrette

Mary Farmer

The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for **today, February 28, 2021** immediately following the 10 AM worship service. The purpose of this Congregational Meeting is to:

- respond to questions raised in the review (Sunday, February 7 to Thursday, February 11, 2021) of the 2020 Annual Reports from committees/teams
- report on the vote regarding the 2021 Pastor's Terms of Call
- announce the newly-elected members of the 2021 Nominating Committee
