

March 6, 2022

Order of Worship
First Sunday in Lent

10:15 AM

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude – Today's Hunger & Help Offering will go directly to Ukrainian refugees via PDA

• **Call to Worship**

Remember the story of our faith.

We are the people God has delivered.

Rejoice in the hope of our faith.

God goes with us, step by step.

Cling to the promise of our faith.

Our God will not abandon us.

Invocation

• **Sounds of Faith** - #166 Lord Who Throughout These Forty Days

• **Prayer of Confession**

The journey of life inevitably leads to wilderness, times marked by guilt, frustration, and the sense that we are not in the right place. But even in the wilderness, God is with us. Even in the wilderness, God's mercy is sure.

As Lent unfolds before us, O Lord, we see how far we have to go to Jerusalem.

The road is long, our sins are many, and our burdens are heavy.

We can't imagine new life, Easter life,

because our current lives are filled with bad choices and failed efforts.

Meet us in our weakness. Take up our sins. Ease our burdens. Carry us on the way.

Bring us to Jerusalem, at last.

Show us a love that is stronger than death, a love no tomb can hold.

Walking this earth, facing temptation, defeating sin,

Jesus has done for us what we could never do for ourselves.

This is good news! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

• **Congregational Response** – #604 Lamb of God

Children's Message – Leanne Terry

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: Deuteronomy 26:1-9, Liturgist, Sara Drummond

When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, you shall make this response before the LORD your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey.

*The Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God.***

Choir Anthem – "And No Bird Sang", Douglas Wagner (Please see insert for lyrics)

Scripture: Luke 4:1-13

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'"

Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours."

Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'"

Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'"

*Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time. The Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God.***

Meditation – Dr. Paul Casner

• **Sounds of Hope** - #43 You Who Dwell In the Shelter Of The Lord

● **Affirmation of Faith**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost; born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven; and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he shall judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Giving and Offertory

The Lord's Supper

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

...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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

- **Sounds of Love** – Forty Days Was Jesus Tempted (Please see insert)

● **Benediction**

Postlude

The (●) dot in the order of worship invites you to stand as you are able. Text in **bold** indicates unison reading.



- March 8 – Dot New Circle (10am)
- March 9 & 16 – Spring Break, no Logos or Agape
- March 17- Men's dinner (5:30pm), Location TBD
- March 23 – Book Group (1:30pm), Logos (5:30pm), Agape (6:30pm with a DINNER at 6pm! Guest musician, Irish Bernadette, will present Irish music).
- March 30 – Book Group (1:30pm), Logos (5:30pm), Agape (6:30pm, guest speaker Trent Hanner with TN State Library & Archives)

Pastoral Care Team: Chairs - Tina O'Connor and Joy Roark; Members - Lenna Aris, Velma Bartley, Melanie Caskey, Beth Chiles, Ann Cox, Charlene Dodson, Anne Hicks, Diane Ingram, Grace Lewis, Ann Marie McFarland, Betty Polk, Jim White, Ruth White, Jill York

**The flowers in the sanctuary today are in memory of Eleanor Babcock with love from the Babcock & Miles' families... "Gone but Never Forgotten"*

Donelson Presbyterian Church

Sharing the Love of Christ



We warmly welcome all who have come to worship with us today. If you are a guest at Donelson Presbyterian Church, we encourage you to fill out a yellow visitor card which you will find in the pew.

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