



First Presbyterian Church

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Order of Worship February 18, 2024, 10am
First Sunday in Lent
(*Please stand if you are able.)

Prelude "Aria" by Paul Many
In memory of Linda Smith

Welcome & Announcements

*Litany for Lent

For 40 days and nights the rain fell,
and the waters covered the face of the Earth.

Lead us O Lord from death to life

For 40 years the people wandered,
seeking the land of God's promise.

Lead us O Lord from death to life.

*Opening Hymn *GTG No. 166* "Lord, Who Throughout These
Forty Days"

Psalm 25: 1-10

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

My God, I put my trust in you;

let me not be put to shame;

nor let my enemies triumph over me.

Let none that look to you be put to shame;

rather let those be put to shame who are treacherous.

Show me your ways, O Lord;

and teach me your paths.

R: Lord I call to you, O hear my cry

Lead me in your truth and teach me,

for you are the God of my salvation;

in you have I trusted all the day long.

Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love,
for they are from everlasting.

Remember not the sins of my youth and my
transgressions;

remember me according to your steadfast love,
for the sake of your goodness, O Lord!

R: Lord I call to you, O hear my cry

You are gracious and upright, O Lord;

therefore you teach sinners in your way.

You lead the lowly in justice

and teach the lowly your way.

All your paths, O Lord, are steadfast love and faithfulness,
for those who keep your covenant and your testimonies.

R: Lord I call to you, O hear my cry

Unison Prayer of Confession

God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained, and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth. Have Mercy, O God, forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our savior.

***Hymn** *GTG No. 423 (v.1)* "Create In Me A Clean Heart, O God"

Assurance of Pardon

***Passing the Peace**

Time with Children

Prayer of Illumination

Gracious God, our way in the wilderness, guide us, by your Word, through these 40 days, and minister to us with your Holy Spirit, so that we may be reformed, restored, and renewed; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Scripture Readings

Genesis 9:8-17

Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, "As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh, and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

Scripture Readings (cont.)

Mark 1:9-15

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove upon him. And a voice came from the heavens, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tested by Satan, and he was with the wild beasts, and the angels waited on him.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the good news of God 15 and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

Sermon

"Covenants"

***Hymn of Response** *GTG No. 713* "Touch the Earth Lightly"

Offering

***Doxology**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

***Closing Hymn** *GTG No. 22*

"God of the Sparrow"

Benediction

Postlude "Rondeau" by Jean-Joseph Mouret, arr. by Hal Hopson

In memory of Ronnie (Lynch) Moulthrop