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Order of Worship
Second Sunday in Lent
(*Please stand if you are able.)

February 25, 2024, 10am

Prelude

“Prelude in G minor” by J.S. Bach

Welcome & Announcements

***Litany for Lent**

Moses spent 40 days on the mountain,
learning the commandments of God.

Lead us, oh Lord, from death to life.

Elijah traveled 40 days in the wilderness
to hear the voice of God in the silence.

Lead us, our Lord, from death to life.

***Opening Hymn** *GTG No. 320* “The Church of Christ in Every Age”

Psalm 22:23-31

Refrain: Lord you are my strength; hasten to help me

You who fear the Lord, give praise!

All you of Jacob's line give glory.

Stand in awe of the Lord, all you offspring of Israel.

For the Lord does not despise nor abhor the poor and
their poverty; neither is the Lord's face hidden from
them; when they cry out, the Lord hears them.

From you comes my prayers in the great assembly;

I will perform my vows in the site of those who fear the
Lord. The poor shall eat and be satisfied.

Let those who seek the Lord give praise! May your hearts
live forever!

Refrain: Lord you are my strength; hasten to help me

All the ends of the Earth shall remember and turn to the
Lord: all the families of nations shall bow before God.

For dominion belongs to the Lord, who rules over the
nations.

Indeed all who sleep in the earth shall bow down and
worship; all who go down to dust, though they be dead,
shall kneel before the Lord.

Their descendants shall serve the Lord,

Whom they shall proclaim to generations to come.

They shall proclaim God's deliverance to a people yet
unborn, saying to them “the Lord has acted”.

Refrain: Lord you are my strength; hasten to help me

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 17:1-7, 15-16

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you and will make you exceedingly numerous." Then Abram fell on his face, and God said to him, "As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham, for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful, and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant between me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.

God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her and also give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

Scripture Readings (cont.)

Mark 8:31-38

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes and be killed and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

He called the crowd with his disciples and said to them, "If any wish to come after me, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

Sermon

"The Divine and the Human"

***Hymn of Response** *GTG No. 417* "Lord Jesus, Think on Me"

Offering

***Doxology**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

***Closing Hymn** *GTG No. 39*

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

Benediction

Postlude

"The Church's One Foundation"
arr. by James Mansfield