



A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

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First Sunday of Lent

PEACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Grow in Grace, Live in Peace, Serve the Lord

We Gather as God's People

RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

This is the day the Lord has made.
Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

PRELUDE

My Song Is Love Unknown
Handbell Choir

John D. Edwards
(arr. Larry Sue)

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 25

Margaret Cox, liturgist

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul. O my God, in you I trust.

Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth, and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all day long.

Good and upright is the Lord; therefore he instructs sinners in the way.

He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble his way.

All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his decrees.

HYMN

Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us

Savior, like a shepherd lead us; much we need your tender care. In your pleasant pastures feed us;
for our use your fold prepare. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have bought us: we are yours.
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We are yours: in love befriend us; be the guardian of our way. Keep your flock: from sin defend us;
seek us when we go astray. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear your children when we pray.
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CALL TO CONFESSION

Our God is a gracious God, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. With that assurance,
let us come to God, confessing our sin together.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God of mercy, we begin this Lenten season in confession. We do not live according to your ways but we pursue our own desires and agendas. We participate in injustice. We use our power for our own advantage at the expense of others. We ignore lies and condone disrespect of our neighbors. We turn away from the needs of our neighbors. We seek to know you by naming you according to our limited perceptions. We fail to be open to new ways of knowing and living. Hear now our silent individual confessions.

(Silent Prayer)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

People of the covenant: God does not remember us according to our sins and transgressions.
God remembers us, forgiving us, according to God's own steadfast love!

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSE TO GOD'S FORGIVENESS

Worthy of Worship
Peggy Vaughan, soprano

Mark Blankenship

We Listen to God's Word

SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 3: 1-15 and Matthew 6: 1-13

SERMON

"Pray like this: Our Father. In Heaven. Holy Is Your Name."

Rev. Debbie Osterhoudt

We Respond to God's Word

SPECIAL MUSIC

Well-Tempered Clavier Book 1, Prelude No 6 in D minor (BWV 851)

J. S. Bach

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND OUR 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

We Are Sent in God's Name

HYMN

Seek Ye First

**Seek ye first the kingdom of God and its righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you.
Allelu, alleluia!**

**Ask, and it shall be given unto you; seek, and you shall find; knock, and the door shall opened unto you.
Allelu, alleluia!**

**You shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.
Allelu, alleluia!**

CHARGE & BLESSING

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

May the Love of the Lord

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**May the love of the Lord rest upon your soul.
May God's love dwell in you, throughout every day.
May God's countenance shine upon you and be gracious to you.
May God's Spirit be upon you as you leave this place.**

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Peggy Vaughan, Music Director & Soloist John Holter, piano Joanne Lang, Worship Ministry Team Chair