

February 26th, 2023
1st Sunday of Lent
GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE: Grace Alone

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

QUIET HYMN: Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley #2112

SILENT PRAYER

CHOIR INTROIT: *Praise God for this Holy Ground*

***HYMN:** Amazing Grace #378

CENTERING FOR WORSHIP

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Happy are the people who are forgiven!

P: God's forgiveness is poured on them as a source healing.

L: Happy are the people who place their trust in God.

P: God's presence is their guide and their strength.

L: Come, let us worship the God who forgives and heals us.

P: Let us celebrate God's presence with us each day. Amen.

*** PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

God of mercy, as we enter the season of Lent and turn our eyes with Christ's disciples toward the cross, we ask that we may clearly see the sacrifice you have made for us, and then may we see as clearly the sacrifice we must make for others. Awaken us, God, to turn, to follow, and to serve in Christ's name. Amen

Bell Anthem: *Praises Medley*

Kathy Hoffman

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 32

Luke 1:46-55

***HYMN:** Because He Lives

#364

THE WORD OF GOD EXPLORED

Pastor Joel Holcomb

GRATEFUL RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY**

#95

***DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND PASTOR

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

PRAYER RESPONSE

***HYMN:** It Is Well with My Soul

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***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE: Ancient of Days

**Indicates standing if that is comfortable for you.*
