2ND SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 13, 2022

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Prelude Jan Mauck, Church Pianist

Welcome and Greeting in Jesus' Name

*Opening Song #16 "The God of Abraham Praise"

LEONI

*Call to Worship

Triumphant Song of Confidence

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

When evildoers assail me to devour my flesh, they shall stumble and fall.

Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear;

though war rise up against me, yet I will be confident.

One thing I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after:

to live in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to inquire in his temple.

For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble;

he will conceal me under the cover of his tent:

he will set me high on a rock.

Now my head is lifted up above my enemies all around me,

And I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy;

I will sing and make melody to the LORD.

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*Opening Prayer

*Song of Faith "Build My Life" Worship Team

WE HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD

Scripture Reader: Sonia Roling

The First Reading

Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

The Second Reading

Philippians 3:17-4:1

*The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

Luke 13:31-35

*Responsorial #264

"In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

RATHBUN

Children's Sermon (Kids 3rd Grade and Younger can walk to Children's Church)

Announcements & Prayers of the Community: 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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever.

Presentation of Tithes, Gifts, and Donations - A collection plate is available in the front of the Sanctuary, ushers will collect the offering, or you can give it online.

Offertory Special

"Must Jesus Bear the Cross"

Choir

Prayer and The Message

"At the Cross: Christ's Mission"

The Reverend Doctor Ivan E. Greuter, Senior Minister

RESPONDING TO THE HOLY SPIRIT IN FAITH & SERVICE

*Invitation to Faith and Fellowship - If the Spirit of God is moving you to receive God's forgiving love in Jesus, calling you to be a follower of Jesus in the waters of baptism, or encouraging you to join this Christian Church, please come forward during this song.

*Closing Hymn # 458

"O Jesus, I Have Promised"

ANGEL'S STORY

*Spoken Benediction

*Postlude

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*Stand when able

HOW TO BECOME A FULLY DEVOTED FOLLOWER OF JESUS

GOOD NEWS! God loves you and wants to rescue all people from the consequences of evil. The Bible teaches the way to become a fully devoted follower of Jesus Christ:

- 1. <u>ADMIT</u> Admit to God you have done wrong things (sinned) which have hurt God and others. Apologize to God, turn away from harmful behavior, and start doing good things (See Romans 3:23; Romans 6:23; 1 John 1:9; Acts 3:19).
- 2. <u>BELIEVE JESUS CHRIST DIED FOR YOU AND GOD HAS RAISED HIM FROM THE DEAD</u> Accept and trust that Jesus is God's one and only Son who died on the cross in your place and give God credit for raising Jesus from the dead (See Romans 5:8; Acts 4:12; Acts 16:31a; John 3:16; 1 Peter 3:18; John 14:6).
- 3. <u>C</u>ONFESS JESUS CHRIST AS YOUR LORD Make a religious commitment to be a fully devoted follower of Jesus by trusting Him to be your Rescuer and Redeemer (Savior) and Ultimate Leader (Lord). (See Romans 10:9 and 10; Romans 10:13; Matthew 16:24; Luke 9:23)
- 4. <u>DEDICATE YOUR LIFE TO THE JESUS WAY</u> Tell your family and friends about your new trust in Jesus Christ by coming to the front of the Sanctuary at the end of a worship service to publicly share your decision to be a follower of Jesus (Christian).

HOW TO JOIN THIS CHRISTIAN CHURCH - COME FORWARD — Any person professing faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and accepting the Baptist principles, practices, and covenant of this may join this Christian church. Persons interested in affiliating should speak with the Pastor, Moderator or come forward at a congregation meeting. A person may join by Believer's Baptism, Letter of Transfer from a previous Christian church with prior baptism, or a Satisfactory Statement of Christian Faith.



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