

February 21, 2021 – The First Sunday in Lent

Prelude
Announcements

Played by James Egbert
Elder Linda Baker

Gathering

*Call to Worship

L: From water to wilderness:

P: God's covenant continues; God's kingdom comes near.

L: On stone and in hearts:

P: God's covenant continues; God's kingdom comes near.

L: From the ancestor of nations to the Son lifted up:

P: God's covenant continues; God's kingdom comes near.

L: We follow Jesus on the Lenten path,

All: for where he is, we would be also.

*Morning Prayer

Rev. Jerry Egbert

*Hymn: **Lead Me to Calvary** # 310 *The Celebration Hymnal / Red*

*Prayer of Confession

Rev. Chan Willis

God of mercy, we begin this Lenten season in confession.

We do not live according to your ways, but according to our own. We condone violence, participate in systems of injustice, and use power to our own advantage at the expense of others. Forgive us, we pray, when we are

tempted to follow paths other than those you set before us. Teach us your commandments; help us to turn from evil in its many guises, and turn us toward your kingdom

drawing near. In covenantal love, remember us, we pray, and be for us, once more and always, an ark of safety and new life. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

----- A moment of silent prayer.

*Assurance of Pardon

Rev Chan Willis

*Passing of the Peace

*Gloria Patri

812 *(The Celebration Hymnal / Red)*

*Those who are able may stand

The Word

Youth Time

Carol Canerday

Prayer of Illumination

Rev. Jerry Egbert

Scripture Reading / Elder Linda Baker

1st READING: Genesis 9:8-17

2nd READING: 1 Peter 3:18-22

*GOSPEL READING: Mark 1:9-15

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SERMON: The Global Guarantee

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***Affirmation of Faith / The Apostles' Creed (Unison)**

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*Hymn: **The Solid Rock**

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Offering

Tithes and Offerings

* **Doxology**

815 *The Celebration Hymnal / Red*

*Prayer of Dedication

Rev. Jerry Egbert

Prayers of the people

Rev. Chan Willis

Leader: God of Mercy

People: **Lord hear our Prayer**

Sending

Welcome Visitors

We are delighted you have joined us today. Please comment on our Live Stream.

***Sending Hymn: Seek Ye First (Insert)**

*Charge & Blessing

Rev. Jerry Egbert

Postlude

Boksoon Egbert

Announcements

1. We are very glad to see you today! Hope everyone is safe from the winter storm.
2. Happy Birthday, Chris Godair, Carmen & Matthew!
3. Ruling Elder Training is available online. Please visit PC-U.S.A. website for information.
4. We continue to practice social distancing and mask up in place.
5. We are collecting food - canned meat or fish for God's Food Box!
6. The Presbytery will be meeting on Tuesday.

The Season of Lent

A depiction of Jonah from the façade of the Amiens Cathedral (thirteenth century).

The season of Lent is a time of prayer, fasting and self-examination in preparation for the celebration of the resurrection of the Lord at Easter. It is a period of 40 days — like the flood of Genesis, Moses' sojourn at Mount Sinai, Elijah's journey to Mount Horeb, Jonah's call to Ninevah to repent and Jesus' time of testing in the wilderness. (The Sundays in Lent are not counted in this reckoning of the time between Ash Wednesday and Easter, as every Lord's Day is a celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ.)

In the early church, Lent was a time of preparation for the celebration of baptism at the Easter Vigil. In many communities of faith it remains a time to equip and nurture candidates for baptism and confirmation and to reflect deeply on the theme of baptismal discipleship.

Pastor / Rev. Jerry Egbert

Secretary & Treasurer / Elder Carolyn Applewhite

Session

Building & Grounds Committee / Carolyn Applewhite (2022)
Worship Committee / Matthew Sykes (2021)
Administrative Committee / Linda Baker (2023)



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