

Affton Presbyterian Church

Calling, equipping and sending people to experience life through Jesus Christ

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February 26, 2023

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Service for the Lord's Day

Words of Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

↑Litany for Lent

For forty days and nights the rain fell, and the waters covered the face of the earth.

Lead us, O Lord, from death to life.

For forty years the people wandered, seeking the land of God's promise.

Lead us, O Lord, from death to life.

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

Lead us, O Lord, from death to life.

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

Lead us, O Lord, from death to life.

Jonah cried out to the people of Nineveh: Repent, or in forty days you will perish.

Lead us, O Lord, from death to life.

Jesus fasted and prayed for forty days and was tested.

Lead us, O Lord, from death to life.

↑Hymn #487

“When Morning Gilds the Sky”

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, great when we are small, and insignificant when we have the ability to enact change. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Assurance of Pardon

↑Response

“Gloria Patri”

↑Passing the Peace

Prayer for Illumination

Merciful God, your word is our way of truth and life. Create in us hearts that are clean and put your Holy Spirit within us, so that we may receive your grace and declare your praise forever. Amen.

Scripture

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

Sermon

↑ Invitation to Observe a Holy Lent

↑ Hymn #85 "What Wondrous Love Is This"

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Offering

↑ Response of Praise "Doxology"

↑ Prayer of Dedication

God of compassion, through the gift of your Son Jesus Christ you reconciled your people to yourself. We return now a portion of your many blessings back to you, and ask that you will use them and us to reconcile broken relationships throughout this world. Amen.

↑ Hymn #84 "In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

↑ Charge and Benediction

Postlude

The people serving you...

Musician: Lynette Milles
Liturgist: Suzanne Baybo
Pastor: Rev. Hannah Zyla

Please remember in your prayers...

Gerry Blades, Jean Bush, Bill Campey, Barb Cavicchia, Joanne Goin, Marian Lloyd, Joe Maze, Elmer Nesselhauf, Wanda O'Neal, Jim Otto, and Mary Philips

Getting in touch with the pastor:

If you are a visitor wanting to know more about Affton Presbyterian Church, a lifelong member looking for information or care, or just want to say hello, please don't hesitate to reach out to Pastor Hannah Zyla. She would be happy to meet and talk with you at your convenience.

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ZOOM Instructions for homebound:

Meet with us online or via phone at 10 am:

Look under "Updates" on our site to join online.

or call 312-626-6799 and when prompted.

enter the Meeting ID: 942 617 477 (followed by #).

When asks for a Participant ID number, dial #.

*On the phone, dial *6 to mute or unmute yourself.*

If asked for a password, enter 3410.