

“You may eat freely of every tree in the garden.”

Genesis 2:16

You are a hiding place for me.

Psalms 32:7

The free gift is not like the effect of one man’s sin.

Romans 5:16

Jesus was led up by the Spirit to the wilderness to be tempted by the devil.

Matthew 4:1

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To Our Guests

We are glad you are with us. Please sign the guest book by the front door and fill in a visitor’s card from the pew pocket. After the service enjoy a cup of fair trade coffee with friends in the Fellowship Hall.

THE FONT OF IDENTITY

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+Introit 451, v. 1

*Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth thou hast for me.
Place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free.
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!*

Proclamation

In life and death we belong to God.
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one triune God,
whom alone we worship and serve.

Call to Wisdom

***+Hymn 20**

“All Things Bright and Beautiful”

Prayer for Wisdom

+Response 62

*Love the Lord your God will all your heart,
Love the Lord your God with all your soul.
Love the Lord your God will all your mind.
Love the Lord your God with all that you are.*

Declaration of Grace and Gratitude

+Response 833, v. 1

*O Love that wilt not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in thee;
I give thee back the life I owe,
that in thine ocean’s depths its flow
may richer, fuller be.*

Blessing the Nations

China

+Response 489, v. 1

*Wonder of wonders, here revealed: God’s covenant with us is sealed,
and long before we know or pray, God’s love enfolds us every day.*

First Pew

+Response 489, v. 3

*This child of God, though young or old,
we welcome now into Christ’s fold,
to know with us God’s loving care,
and all our joys and sorrows share.*

Welcome and Parish Life

THE WORD OF HOPE

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Prayer for Illumination 451, v. 2

*Open my ears, that I may hear voices of truth thou sendest clear.
And while the wave notes fall on my ear,
everything false will disappear.
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my ears; illumine me, Spirit divine!*

Reading

Interlude

Lesson

Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7

Sermon

“Rooted in Wisdom”

***+Hymn 713**

“Touch the Earth Lightly”

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THE BREAD OF LIFE

Eucharistic Prayer

Ubi caritas et amor, ubi caritas Deus ibi est

Offering Our Gifts

Offertory

***Acclamation**

With believers in every time and place
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us from the love of God
in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

***Sending 451, v. 3**

*Open my mouth, and let me bear gladly the warm truth everywhere.
Open my heart, and let me prepare love
with thy children thus to share.
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my heart; illumine me, Spirit divine!*

***Postlude**

We are on earth to take care of life. We are on Earth to take care of each other. **Xiye Bastida**

I believe in the forest, and in the meadow, and in the night in which the corn grows.

Henry David Thoreau

As crude a weapon as the cave man’s club, the chemical barrage has been hurled against the fabric of life.

Rachel Carson

To leave the world better than you found it, sometimes you have to pick up other people’s trash.

Bill Nye

**Please rise in body and spirit.*

Call to Wisdom

Mark Nepo

Prayer for Wisdom

Danna Faulds

Lesson Translation

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Flowers

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Sunday, February 26 • First Sunday in Lent

Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7; Psalm 32; Romans 5:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11

- 8:30 a.m. Early Service Worship - Sanctuary
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday Seminar - Zoom Only
- 11:00 a.m. Service of Worship - Sanctuary and Facebook Live!
Sunday Studio - Children K-5th Grade - Classroom 1

Tuesday, February 28

- 7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room

Wednesday, March 1

- 7:00 p.m. Mid Week Lenten Series Service - Sanctuary

Thursday, March 2

- 10:00 a.m. Presbyterian Women - Fellowship Hall

Sunday, March 5 • Second Sunday in Lent

Genesis 12:1-4a; Psalm 121; Romans 4:1-5, 13-17; John 3:1-17

- 8:30 a.m. Early Service Worship - Sanctuary
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday Seminar - Fellowship Hall/Hybrid
- 11:00 a.m. Service of Worship - Sanctuary and Facebook Live!
Sunday Studio - Children K-5th Grade - Classroom 1
- 12:15 p.m. Youth Group Gathering - Fellowship Hall
- 5:00 p.m. Community Meal - Zion Episcopal Church Social Center,
215 E. Washington St., Charles Town, WV 25414

MUSIC NOTES: The late 19th Century Introit, Sung Prayer for Illumination, and Sending Hymn were written and composed by the first woman to publish a collection of her own anthems. The mid-19th Century Opening Hymn was written for children to teach the Apostles' Creed. The late 20th Century Prayer for Wholeness Response summarizes the Great Commandment. The late 19th Century Response to the Declaration is set to a tune composed for the patroness of Scotland. The late 20th Century Response to the Blessing of the World and First Pew was written by a beloved Presbyterian hymn writer (and former mentor of Pastor Gusti!). The late 20th Century Sermon Hymn is written by a New Zealander, based on an Australian aboriginal saying in protest of nuclear device testing in the Pacific Ocean. The Communion Response is an 8th Century Latin text set to music from the Taizé community.

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Season of Lent

First Sunday

February 26, 2023

11:00 a.m.

More Honey Locust, excerpt

... And I hope that you too
will pause to admire
the slender trunk, the leaves,
the holy seeds, the ground
they grow from
year after year with striving
and patience;
And I hope that you too
will say a word of thanks
for such creation out of
the wholesome earth,
which would be,
and dearly is needed,
a prayer for all of us.

Mary Oliver

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