

“All the families of the earth shall be blessed.”
Genesis 12:3

I lift up my eyes to the hills.
Psalms 121:1

Abraham believed God.
Romans 4:3

“We speak of what we know.”
John 3:11

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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 Shade-Keeping

***+Hymn 285**

“Like the Murmur of the Dove’s Song”

Prayer for Shade-Keeping (see insert)

+Response 62

*Love the Lord your God with all your heart,
Love the Lord your God with all your soul.
Love the Lord your God with 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

Brunei, Malaysia, Singapore

+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

Responsive Lesson (see insert)
Psalms 121

Sermon

“Shade-Keeping”

***+Hymn 275**

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

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THE BREAD OF LIFE

Eucharistic Prayer (see insert)

Offering Our Gifts

Offertory

Psalms 121

Heather Sorenson

Litany of Farewell

***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**

Home ... the safe place
where we can go as we are
and not be questioned.
Maya Angelou

The best lightning rod for
your protection is your
own spine.
Ralph Waldo Emerson

You can change the world
again, instead of protect-
ing yourself from it.
Julien Smith

Your silence will not pro-
tect you. **Audre Lorde**

**Please rise in body and spirit.*

**Call to Shade-Keeping
and Declaration**
Danna Faulds

Lesson Translation
New Revised
Standard Version, *adapted*

White Rose
In Memory of
Rosemarie Coy

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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 and Communion - Sanctuary
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday Seminar - Fellowship Hall/Hybrid
- 11:00 a.m. Service of Worship and Communion - 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

Tuesday, March 7

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

Wednesday, March 8

- 7:00 p.m. Mid Week Lenten Series Service - Asbury United Methodist

Thursday, March 9

- 7:00 p.m. Session Meeting - Fellowship Hall/Hybrid

Friday, March 10

- 12:00 p.m. Gathering Space for Prayer via Zoom

Sunday, March 12 • Third Sunday in Lent

Exodus 17:1-7; Psalm 95; Romans 5:1-11; John 4:5-42

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

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 late 20th Century Opening Hymn was written to fit a pre-existing tune. 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 mid-16th Century Reformation era Sermon Hymn was written by Martin Luther. The Communion Response is an 8th Century Latin text set to music from the Taizé community.

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Season of Lent

Second Sunday

March 5, 2023

11:00 a.m.

Psalm from Phelps, *excerpt*

I cry out to the Lord
from the soot and the grime,
but the blasts of destruction
booming through the hills
drown out my voice.
Where is my God,
the Source of all Creation?

Sunshine Walker

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We Choose Welcome*