

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT  
FEBRUARY 21, 2021

PRELUDE

Adagio -Mendelshon

OPENING SENTENCES

We have entered the season of Lent,  
**a time to examine our hearts and our lives  
and journey with Christ through the suffering  
of the world.**

Let us lift up our souls to our merciful God  
and humble ourselves in God's service.

**God has marked us as beloved dust  
and called us together to worship.**

CALL TO CONFESSION

The grace of God overflows for us  
through Christ Jesus  
who came into the world to save sinners.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**In the season of Lent, O God, we say lofty words about renewing our spiritual disciplines, journeying with you to the cross, or denying ourselves material wants for the good of the soul. Forgive us, O God, if our actions are in vain: if we are concerned with the good of the soul rather than the good of your people; if we have twisted this season of penitence into a reason for praise or judgment; if we are so preoccupied with the sins of the world that we cannot recognize and confess the sins of our own lives. Forgive us, O God, and wash us in your mercy. Forgive us, O God, and free us to try again.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The mercy of the Lord  
is from everlasting to everlasting.  
In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. AMEN.

GLORIA PATRI

**Glory be to the Father  
and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, amen.**

SOLO

Auf ein alts Bid -Wolf

Mark 1:9-15

SERMON

SOLO

The Divine Image -R V Williams

PRAYER

COMMUNION HYMN # 203 "Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love"

**Refrain**

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with you love;  
Show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.

Kneels at the feet of his friends,  
Silently washes their feet,  
Master who acts as a solve to them.

**Refrain**

HOLY COMMUNION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Final Hymn # 649 Amazing Grace

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,  
That saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found,  
Was blind, but now I see.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares,  
I have already come.  
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,  
And grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me;  
His word my hope secures.  
He will my shield and portion be  
As long as life endures.

When we've been there ten thousand years,  
Bright shining as the sun,  
We've no less days to sing God's praise  
Than when we'd first begun.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

My Song Is Love Unknown

Organist: Jeffrey Seekins  
Pastor: W. James Hardy  
Soloist: James Judd