

Take care that you do not forget the Lord your God, by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes, which I am commanding you today. When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them, and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid wasteland with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for you from flint rock, and fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you, and in the end to do you good. Do not say to yourself, “My power and the might of my own hand have gotten me this wealth. But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing today.

~ Deuteronomy 8:11-18

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 31, 2019

10:00 a.m.

This service is being broadcast over radio station WATN 1240

\* Indicates that those who are able may stand.

GATHERING

GATHERING MUSIC

In the Cross of Christ I Glory  
His Eye Is on the Sparrow  
When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Carl Bingle, FPC Organist  
Mary McDonald  
Wilbur Held  
Dale Wood

GREETING

Peace be with you.  
And also with you.

PRELUDE

“The prelude is a veil draped between everyday life and the Sanctuary.  
The music, when you cross the threshold, should separate the world without from the world within.  
If you must whisper, please let it be a prayer.”  
~ Jeremiah Wright, Trinity United Church of Christ, Chicago, IL

Lyric Psalm

Carl Bingle, organ

George Blake

CALL TO WORSHIP ~ Psalm 48

Leader: We ponder your steadfast love, O God, in the midst of your temple.  
Your name, O God, like your praise reaches to the ends of the earth.

People: **Your right hand is filled with victory. Let Mount Zion be glad, let the towns of Judah rejoice, because of your judgments.**  
Walk about Zion, go all around it, count its towers, consider well its ramparts; go through its citadels, that you may tell the next generation.  
**That this is our God, our God forever and ever. He will be our guide forever. Let us worship the Lord!**

\*HYMN #793

For the Beauty of the Earth

DIX

INVITATION TO REPENTANT PRAYERS



THIS WEEK



IN NEED OF PRAYER

Shane McWayne, Gerda Barbour, JoAnne Stirling, Dr. Robert B. Brown, and for the sick and those who need God’s comfort.

**Prayer Help Available.** Please call the church office, 782-1750 if you have a prayer request. Your confidential prayer request will be put on the First Pres. Prayer Chain. Only those requesting public prayers are included for prayers in our church bulletin.

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Merciful God, we confess that we have strayed from your ways. You gave us the earth for our home, but we squander the earth’s resources and hoard its bounty. You gave us neighbors to love, but we pursue selfish ambitions. You gave us the commandments that lead to human flourishing, but we break your law and forsake your love. Draw our wandering hearts back to you that we may find freedom in obedience to your love. Amen.

A MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR PERSONAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

**WORDS OF COMFORT AND FORGIVENESS**

. . . in Jesus Christ you are forgiven.  
In Jesus Christ you are also forgiven.

**\*RESPONSE - Gloria Be to the Father - Hymn #813**

*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.*

**LITURGIST WELCOME**

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM** ~ *Malachi Adkins*

**THE WORD**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**FIRST READING**

Deuteronomy 8:11-18 (Old Testament, page 165 in pew Bibles)

**SOLO**

*Canticle of the Sun* Marty Haugen  
Casey Carbone, soloist; Chancel Choir

**CHILDREN’S TIME**

(At this time we invite all K-7th graders to join us for Sunday School, please have children follow the teacher thru the door on the left. Children will meet parents in Fellowship Hall after the service. As children depart for Sunday School, we sing “Jesus Loves Me” Hymn #185, verse 1)

**SECOND READING**

Isaiah 58:6-12 (Old Testament, pages 688-689 in pew Bibles)

**SERMON**

“Songs of Faith (Pt. 4): Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”  
Rev. Casey Carbone

**\*HYMN #682**

*Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah* CWM RHONDDA

**PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER**

*Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.*

**OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES**

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

*Go Not Far from Me, O God* Niccolo Zingarelli (1752-1837)  
Chancel Choir; Sara Gleason, director; Phyllis Elmer, piano; Carl Bingle, organ

**\*DOXOLOGY ~ HYMNAL #815**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**SENDING**

**\*HYMN #624**

*His Eye Is on the Sparrow* SPARROW

**\*THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**THE POSTLUDE**

*Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow* Michael Burkhardt  
Carl Bingle, organ