



LENT 1

FEBRUARY 26, 2023

UNFINISHED

DISCOVERING GOD'S CALL
IN THE NOT YET

CALLED TO VALUES

Lent 1 / 119th Anniversary Sunday/
Intergenerational Sunday
"Called to Values"

Sunday, February 26, 2023

(* indicates the assembly stands)

Gathering

Prelude "March from Bonduca" H. Purcell

Words of Welcome & Service Announcements

*Thanksgiving for Baptism

*Hymn 329 "O Lord, throughout These Forty Days"

*Greeting

*Kyrie p. 203

*Prayer of the Day

Anthem "Drop, Drop Slow Tears" O. Gibbons

Children's Time

Word

*Gospel Acclamation "We are turning" p. 205

*Gospel Reading: Matthew 4:1-11

Sermon

*Hymn of the Day 798 "Will You Come and Follow Me"

*Prayers of Intercession **A: Receive our prayer.**

*Peace

Music for Reflection "Arioso" G.F. Handel

Meal

*Offering Hymn 924 v.1&2 (see pg. 3) "As the Winter Days Grow Longer"

*Offering Prayer

*Great Thanksgiving p. 206

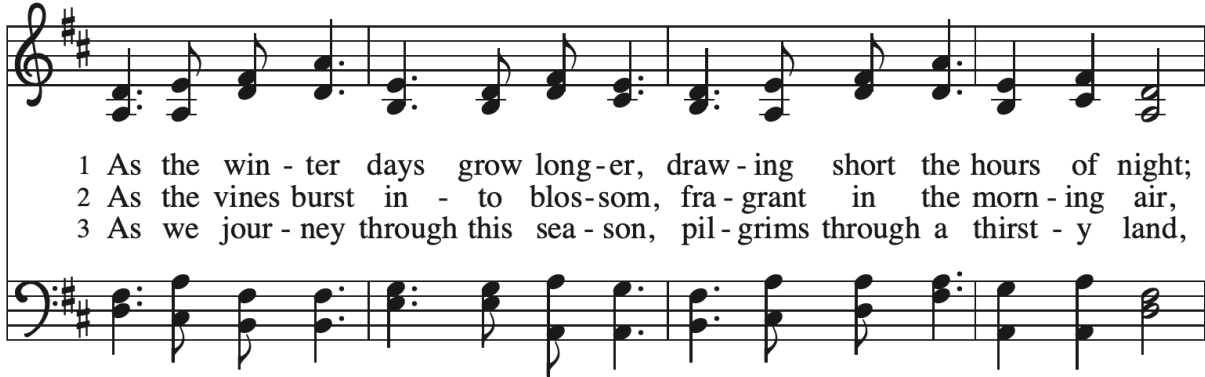
*Holy, Holy, Holy		p. 207
*Thanksgiving at the Table IV		p. 133
*Lord's Prayer ("Our Father, who art in heaven...")		p. 134
Lamb of God		p. 208
Communion Hymns 334 v.1-3, Lent 1		
Table Blessing		
Prayer after Communion		
Sending		
General Announcements		
*Blessing		
*Hymn 618	<i>"Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer"</i>	
*Dismissal		A: Thanks be to God.
Postlude	<i>"Fantasia in G minor"</i>	J. S. Bach

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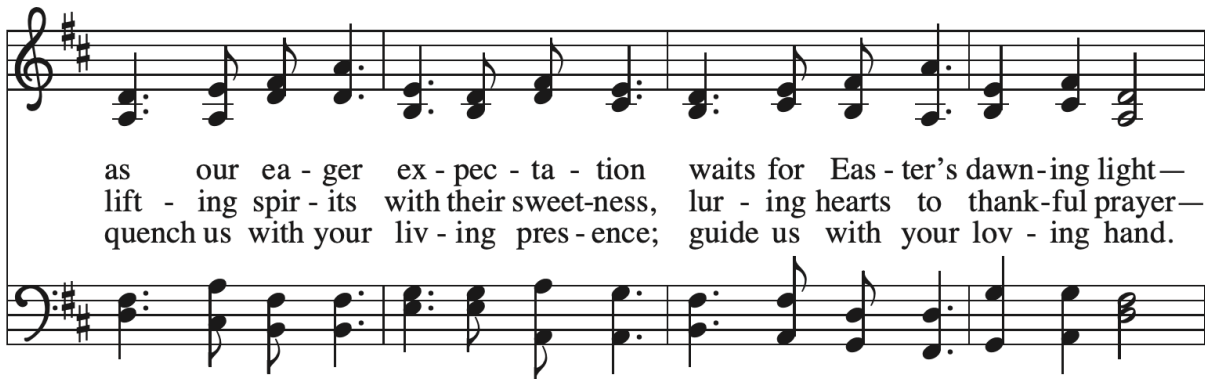
There are countless things in this life that we value.

In the story of Jesus' temptation, we are invited to hear the words "led by the Spirit" not simply as words about Jesus, but words for us, too. On our own journey between no longer and not yet, we are led by the Spirit as we daily wrestle with what it means for our own lives to value what Jesus values.

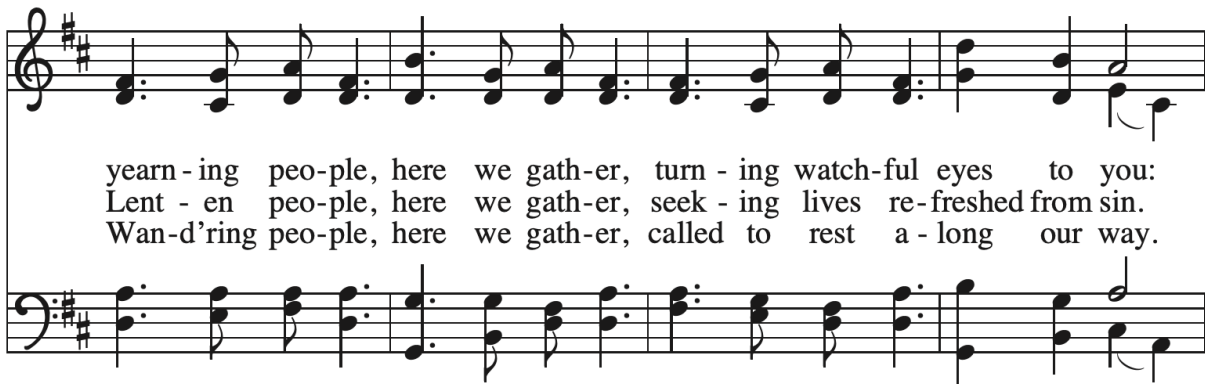
As the Winter Days Grow Longer



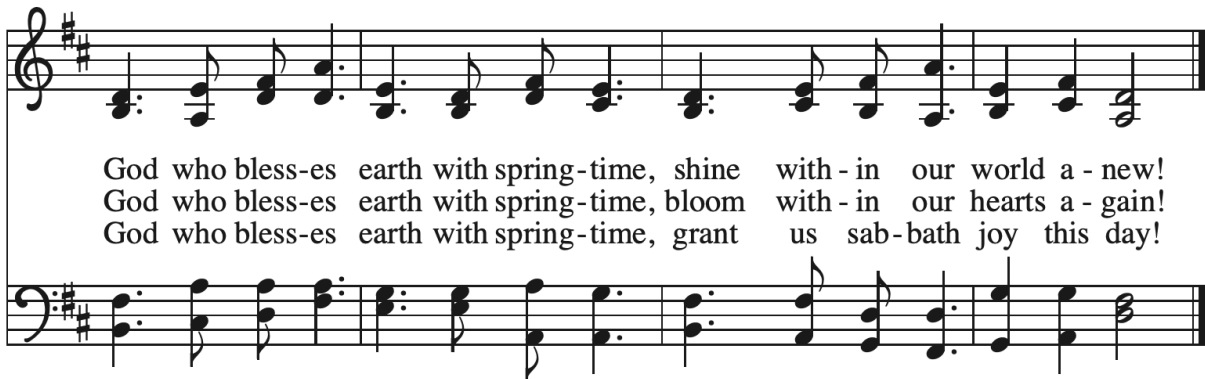
1 As the win - ter days grow long - er, draw - ing short the hours of night;
2 As the vines burst in - to blos - som, fra - grant in the morn - ing air,
3 As we jour - ney through this sea - son, pil - grims through a thirst - y land,



as our ea - ger ex - pec - ta - tion waits for Eas - ter's dawn - ing light—
lift - ing spir - its with their sweet - ness, lur - ing hearts to thank - ful prayer—
quench us with your liv - ing pres - ence; guide us with your lov - ing hand.



yearn - ing peo - ple, here we gath - er, turn - ing watch - ful eyes to you:
Lent - en peo - ple, here we gath - er, seek - ing lives re - fresh - ed from sin.
Wan - d'ring peo - ple, here we gath - er, called to rest a - long our way.



God who bless - es earth with spring - time, shine with - in our world a - new!
God who bless - es earth with spring - time, bloom with - in our hearts a - gain!
God who bless - es earth with spring - time, grant us sab - bath joy this day!

Text: Mary Louise Bringle, b. 1953
Music: SUO GÂN, Welsh melody; arr. hymnal version
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Leading Worship Today

Guest preacher: Rev. Christie Morrow-Wolfe, Assistant to the Bishop, Eastern Synod of the ELCIC

Minister: Rev. Sebastian Meadows-Helmer

Diaconal Minister of Music: Deacon Scott Knarr

Child Ministers: Matteo, Noah, Gabrielle, James, and Elise

Prayer Minister: Rev. Henry Fischer

Choral Scholars: Nicole Hamilton, Laura Moolenbeek, Dylan Siebert, Jacob Steinmann

Celebration Bells: Julia Crnko, Anneke Klaver, Christine Klaver-Schmidt, Gwenanne Jorgenson, Linda McLellan, Chloe Schmidt, Sam Schmidt, Mary-Ellen Winkler, Lana Moses.

Broadcast: Gary Pootz

Building Monitor: Dennis Diebolt (519-571-4525)



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Intergenerational Service	Sunday School
February 26, 2023	February 19
	February 26
	March 5

Worship Notes

In our prayers John, Marie, Grace, Maureen, Bernice, John and Nancy.

All are welcome at the meal where Jesus is present loving you and forgiving you. The pastor will distribute communion wafers using tongs. Gluten-free wafers are also available; please indicate this request to the Pastor. You may then take a pre-poured wine cup from the larger tray or a juice cup from the smaller tray. If you would (also) like to receive a blessing, please approach the Pastor with your arms crossed over your chest. If you'd like to receive Communion in your pew, the pastor will come to you. Please let an usher or the pastor know before worship if possible.

General Announcements

Lenten Midweek Soup, Recital and Holden Evening Prayer on Wednesday, March 8, 2023. Join us for a light Soup Supper at 5:30pm, Baroque Flute & Harpsichord Recital with Anthea Conway-White and Deacon Scott at 7 pm followed by Holden Evening Prayer.

West Tower Door for Emergency Only. Due to the ongoing construction planning, when going in to the church house or washrooms, use the west stair tower door and stay on that floor. Use the hallway by the office to the stairway to the floor below. The stairs in the west tower are closed to the lower level sanctuary and should only be used in case of an emergency to exit the building.

Important Information for today's worship

- **Self-Screening:** Members are reminded to continue to perform self-assessments if they have COVID symptoms.
- **Masks:** We support people's choice to wear a mask, and we strongly encourage the following of current guidelines.
- **Physical distancing:** Members are encouraged to continue physical distancing where possible indoors.
- **Offering:** Please place your offering in one of the offering plates in the Narthex (entranceway) upon entering. The offering plates will be presented to the High Altar during the service.
- **The Peace:** We support people's choices for passing of the peace.
- **Exiting:** At the end of the service, please remain in place until the end of the postlude.
- **Ministers** will be greeting worshippers after the postlude in the Narthex, without handshakes.
- **Thank you for helping to keep all of us as safe as possible during this pandemic, by following these directions!**



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Fire Exits: All Sanctuary fire exits remain operational during lower-level demolition and renovations. This includes the three Narthex (Entrance) doors, the mid-tower door (half-way up the right side), and the staircase at the front left, piano side.

Church Fire Plan For everyone's awareness, a copy of the Church Fire Plan for safe exit from the Sanctuary appears in the back of the worship books. Please take a moment to review for your own safety.

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