

**Sunday, February 23, 2020**

Worship Notes:

Your offerings and tithes may be placed in the offering box before worship, during the time of greeting or following the service. The offering box is located at the rear of the sanctuary.

**Our Community Gathers**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**\*Call to Worship** (*\*you are invited to stand if you are able*)

Leader: We have come together because of God:

**ALL: We are created and sustained by the power of God's love.**

Leader: We have come together because of Jesus:

**ALL: We accept his revolutionary example that shows us what life means.**

Leader: We come together because of the Spirit:

**ALL: We experience that presence that inspires and blesses our fellowship.**

**Let us worship God through Jesus in the Spirit.**

**Invocation**

*Rich*

**\*Opening Hymn** 'Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise' *Ch #66*  
*vs. 1, 3 & 4*

**Old Testament Reading** *Psalms 2* *Lana Bell*

**Prayer Preparation** 'Live in Charity' *Ch #523*

**Prayers of the Gathered & the Lord's Prayer**

**Our Community Hears the Word and Responds**

**Our Word of Life** *Matthew 5: 38-48 (pg. 5 NT)*

**Morning Message** *Pastor Rich Pate*  
**'How Do We Share Discipleship With The World?'**

**Our Community Celebrates the Sacred Table**

*We celebrate a fully open communion table. All those who believe in Christ our Savior, are invited to receive the Bread of Life and Cup of Hope.*

**Communion** 'Be Thou My Vision' *CH #595*  
*vs. 1 - 3*

*Passing and receiving of Bread and Cup. You are invited to eat the bread as received. Please hold the cup until you are invited to drink together.*

**Prayer of Offering and Dedication** *Lana Bell*  
**God, we know that bread for ourselves is a material question. Bread for our sisters and brothers is a spiritual question. May these gifts reflect the spiritual dimensions of our lives. May they be used to renew the spirits of our brothers and sisters throughout your world. Amen**

**\*Sending Song** 'Ev'ry Time I Feel the spirit' *Ch #592*  
*vs. 1 - 3*

*Blessing*

*May Christ the Son of God be manifest to you that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be with you and abide with you always. Amen*

**'Our Worship has ended - - -  
Now our Service to God begins!'**

Scripture for Sunday, March 1<sup>st</sup>

Old Testament reading: Psalm 32

Old Testament reading: Matthew 4: 1-11

*Shut-ins*

*Please pray for our shut-ins and homebound:*

*Joyce Bradley, Sherry Burns, Jane Foster, Dick Gordon, Carol Imhoff, Betty Imperio, Bernice Lambert, Jane McVey, Kate Miller, Wanda Mish, Dick Scott, Gertrude & Keith Sparks, Dale Wells and Beverly Zimmerman. A visit, call or a card means so much to those who can't be with us on Sundays.*

*Random Act of Kindness*

*For our Random Act, we will begin to fill our "Give & Take" shelves! You may bring something in and you may also take an item or two to someone who could use them.*

*Bell Ringers!*

*Handbells will play Palm Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>. Contact Yvonne for info.*

*Lenten Devotion Books*

*Lenten Devotions Books are available in the Gathering Room.*

*Lenten Bible Study*

*Lenten Bible Study Starts Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>. Sign up in Gathering Room.*

*Ash Wednesday*

*Our Ash Wednesday service is February 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00.*

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