Order of Worship

First Sunday of Lent March 6, 2022 10:00 AM

Welcome to this time of worship, as we gather in the name of Jesus Christ.

Prelude O Love, How Deep arr. Cathy Moklebust

Chancel Ringers; Lisa Gibbs-Smith and Mark Frazier, percussion

*Greeting

Leader: God of the open road,

God of the twisting path,

God of the narrow and upward way, your people are gathered for worship!

People: In this hour, give us provision for the Lenten journey:

courage, honesty, faith, compassion, and endurance.

Open our ears to hear you speaking to us, encouraging us, loving us and gathering us in.

*Hymn

O Come to the Altar

Prayer of Confession

Rev. Nilse Furtado-Gilliam

Leader: Gracious and merciful God,

we confess to you our reluctance to enter the wilderness places

where we are confronted with our true selves.

In the places where we are tempted to put worldly values

before our desire for you:

People: Forgive us, O God, and increase our trust in you.

Leader: When our hunger for power and wealth is greater

than our hunger for seeking and doing your will:

People: Forgive us, O God, and increase our trust in you.

Leader: When we are tempted to use the gifts you give us

to benefit ourselves at the expense of serving others:

People: Forgive us, O God, and increase our trust in you.

Leader: When we are tempted to manipulate you, O God,

to satisfy our own needs:

People: Forgive us, O God, and increase our trust in you.

Leader: Merciful God,

save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

Forgive us our sins and fill us with the joy and peace of your salvation.

Strengthen us with your Spirit during this Lenten season

so that we put our whole trust in you as confidently as Jesus did.

This we pray in his name.

All: Amen.

Words of Forgiveness

Leader: As the Apostle Paul wrote:

"...if you confess with your lips that Jesus Christ is Lord

and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead,

you will be saved." (Romans 10:9)

These words contain the good news that in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God!

Welcome Rev. Furtado-Gilliam

Anthem Micah 6:8 arr. Smith

Cherub Choir

Children's Message

Scripture Luke 4:1-13

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon Are You Talking to Me? Rev. Tracy McNeil Wines

I Surrender All

Leader: As we close, let us respond together:

Response: Lord, you <u>are</u> talking to me. I am listening!

Offering

You are invited to make your offering to support the ministry and mission of Clarendon UMC. You may text to give at 84321 or go to the Online Worship page of our website and click "Make your online offering."

Benediction Rev. Wines

Postlude Call It Grace arr. Matt Schinske

It's the light that pierces through you to the darkest hidden place
It knows your deepest secrets, but it never looks away
Amazing, unshaking, this is grace

Call to worship adapted from one by Carol Penner www.leadinginworship.com