

Second Sunday in Lent

February 28, 2021

PRELUDE

Sonata in c, Op.5, no. 2: Adagio

Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God's amazing love surrounds us;

People: We give thanks for the love and grace of God.

Leader: Christ's teaching, healing, dying and rising transform us;

People: We give thanks for the love and grace of God.

Leader: The Spirit's stirring brings God's love and grace alive for us;

All: Let us worship in the love and grace of God.

OPENING HYMN

The God of Abraham Praise

Leoni

The God of Abraham praise, who reigns enthroned above,
The Ancient of Eternal Days, the God of Love;
The Lord the great I AM, by earth and heaven confessed;
I bow and bless the sacred name forever blest.

Your goodly land we seek, with peace and plenty blest,
a land of sacred liberty, and Sabbath rest.
There milk and honey flow, and oil and wine abound,
and trees of life forever grow with mercy crowned.

You have eternal life implanted in the soul;
Your love shall be our strength and stay, while ages roll.
We praise You, living God! We praise Your holy name:
The first, the last, beyond all thought and still the same!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of Mercy, what you offer is beyond our imagination. We crave love, yet we cannot love the way you do. While we offer only momentary grace, your grace is constant. We say we want fairness, but demand preference; you offer boundless love to all. Forgive us, Lord, this and all our sin. Empower us to reflect, however dimly, the love and mercy and grace you so generously shower upon us. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 22:23-31

ANTHEM

There is a Balm in Gilead
Cathy Cunningham, harp

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 17:1-10, 15-16

SERMON

A God with a plan.

Rev. Patrick Pettit

CLOSING HYMN

Great is thy Faithfulness

Faithfulness

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
There is no shadow of turning with Thee.
Thou changest not; Thy compassions they fail not.
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

Refrain: Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see.
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided.
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love. [Refrain]

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Cortège, op. 31, no. 2

Vierne (1870-1937)

PRAYER REQUESTS



Prayers for Health and Other Concerns:

The Legacy: Eloise Morris

Shenandoah Nursing Home: Rubye Schwab

Regency at Fishersville: Glennis Bear

Summit Square: Lillian Hryshkanych

Home: Dick Huff, Nancy Garber, Mary Ultee, Edie Lawrence, Steve Doherty, Kathy Brown, Mary Ann Maupin

Friends and Family: Andy & Jean Robeson, Wanda Braden, Lucy Colbert, Charlie Fairchilds (Cunninghams), Steve Stevens, Marianne Beck, Bill Bromley (Jen Jones), Danny Smith (Nancy Hypes), Jennifer & Charlotte Sergeant (Kathy Brown), Emily Bardeen (Sandi Henderson), Kathy Doyle (Cindy & Rodger Doyle), Bill Metzel (Joyce Tipton), Tony Poplin, Jerry Hughes, Paul Watts (Colleen Cash), Shae Blackwell and Family (Preschool), Col. Stuart Roberts (Mark Henderson)

Military: Jeremiah Henderson, Carson Craig

Missionaries: Elmarie & Scott Parker, PC (USA) Regional Liaisons to Iraq, Syria & Lebanon

