**First Sunday in Lent February 26, 2023**

**PRELUDE** *Meditation, Op. 31, no. 7* Vierne (1870-1937)

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**INTROIT 576** *Lord, Have Mercy* Singapura (sung twice)

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Let all who are faithful offer prayer to you.

**People: At a time of distress, the mighty waters shall not reach us.**

Leader: You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble;

**People: Surround us with glad cries of deliverance.**

Leader: Let us worship God.

# MORNING PRAYER

**OPENING HYMN 167** *Forty Days and Forty Nights* Aus der Tiefe rufe Ich

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

# PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Almighty and gracious God, we have every reason to trust in you. And yet, we are burdened by questions: Where are we to go? What are we to do? How can Your promises be true? In our confusion and doubt, we resist Your truth, and Your Call. Forgive us, Lord, this and all our sin. Open our minds and our hearts, that we may know you are faithful and trust Your gracious care for us.**

**SILENT PRAYER**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**\*GLORIA PATRI 581** Greatorex

**FIRST SCRIPTURE READING** Genesis 2:15-17 p. 2

Genesis 3:1-7 p. 2

**ANTHEM** *When We Are Tested*  Young (b. 1926)

(text can be found in hymn 783)

**SECOND SCRIPTURE READING** Matthew 4:1-11 p. **785**

**SERMON** *Open Eyes* Rev. Bronwen Boswell

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *The Apostles' Creed* Hymnal p. 35

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**\*CLOSING HYMN 165** *The Glory of These Forty Days* Erhalt Uns, Herr

**\*CHARGE and BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**  *Fugue* Mattheson (1681-1764)

\***Please stand if able**

**Today’s link is:** <https://youtube.com/live/tBjR8MKtrdg?feature=shares>

*Hearing devices are available for your convenience.*

*Please be aware that they do not function until after the service begins.*

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The Legacy: Mary June Cook

Regency at Augusta: Edie Lawrence

Brightview Baldwin Park: Walt Flora

Shenandoah Nursing Home: Rubye Schwab, Nancy Garber

Home: Dick Huff, Mary Ultee, Mary Ann Maupin, Bird Heuchert

Warner & Linda Sandquist, Ruth and Lewis Kelley.

Friends and Family: Erwin Berry (Joan), Bill Bromley, Ron Buckalew, Jean Custen,

Jerry Hughes, Sally McNeel, Bill Metzel (Joyce Tipton),

Col. Stuart Roberts (Mark Henderson), Paul Watts, Bob Cash (Colleen Cash)

Military: Carson Craig

It is our pleasure to welcome Rev. Bronwen Boswell, General Presbyter, again to our pulpit.

We extend our Christian sympathies to the family of Jim Sivley, who died Saturday 18 February.  Jim previously served as Organist at FPC, and at the time of his passing, was Organist/Choir Director at St. John's Episcopal Church in Waynesboro.  Please keep his wife, Joanna, and their daughter, Kelley, in your prayers.

**Mission Disaster Supplies**- nail clippers, emery boards, band aids

**Food Bank** – chicken noodle soup

**REMEMBER** to sign up for WARM shelter meals; sign-up sheets are in the Narthex

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**WAYNESBORO, VIRGINIA**

*A community-minded congregation living out the love of Christ as we serve one another with humility, gentleness, and patience through God’s grace.*

**February 26, 2023 11:00 AM**

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