

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT
Northside Presbyterian Church – February 21, 2021

GATHERING MUSIC – *“Ah, Holy Jesus”* – Pat Fullen

WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

INTROIT – *“Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”* – Simple Gifts

CALL TO WORSHIP

*We have entered the season of Lent, a time to examine our hearts and our lives,
and journey with Christ through the suffering of the world.*

Let us lift up our souls to our merciful God and humble ourselves in God’s service.

God has marked us as beloved dust and called us together to worship.

HYMN – *“Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days”* (166, v. 1-4)

**1 Lord, who throughout these forty days for us did fast and pray,
teach us with you to mourn our sins and close by you to stay.**

**2 As you with Satan did contend and did the victory win,
O give us strength to persevere, in you to conquer sin.**

**3 And through these days of penitence, and through this Passiontide,
yes, evermore, in life and death, O Lord, with us abide.**

**4 Abide with us, till when this life of suffering shall be past,
an Easter of unending joy we may attain at last.**

PRAYER OF PRAISE

CONFESSION

God of mercy, we begin this Lenten season in confession. We do not live according to your ways, but according to our own. We condone violence, participate in systems of injustice, and use power to our own advantage at the expense of others. Forgive us, we pray, when we are tempted to follow paths other than those you set before us. Help us to turn from evil in its many guises, and turn us toward your kingdom drawing near. In covenantal love, remember us, we pray, and be for us, once more and always, an ark of safety and new life.

(silence)

**Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy.
Lord have mercy. Kyrie Eleison. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT – Genesis 9:8-17 – Sandy Hancock

OFFERING OF MUSIC – “*On the Wings of a Dove*” – Simple Gifts

GOSPEL – Mark 1:9-15

SERMON – “After the Vision, What?”

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE / LORD’S PRAYER

HYMN – “*O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee*” (738, v. 1-4)

**1 O Master, let me walk with thee in lowly paths of service free;
tell me thy secret; help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.**

**2 Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear, winning word of love;
teach me the wayward feet to stay, and guide them in the homeward way.**

**3 Teach me thy patience, still with thee in closer, dearer company,
in work that keeps faith sweet and strong, in trust that triumphs over wrong.**

**4 In hope that sends a shining ray far down the future's broadening way;
in peace that only thou canst give, with thee, O Master, let me live.**

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG

**He is Love, He is Love, He is Comforter and Friend and He is Love
Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess That Jesus Christ is Lord.**

Please be in prayer for:

Revathi Balakrishnan
Edd Stoops
Drew Taylor & family
Andy & Jean Robeson
Susan Miller

Wava Bowles
Ron Pearson
Doug Rathjen
Paul Angermeier
Ann Stinson

Wanda Price
Kelly Wimmer
Susan Dickerson
Walter Hale
Carlos Cox

All those suffering with Covid or grieving the loss of a loved one.

Today’s musicians: Marya Katz, Charles Bostian, Ann Marie Conner, Jack Webster, Pat Fullen
Video Technician – Marshall Chaney