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Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise him all creatures here below,
Praise him above ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN OF SENDING #252 "Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #250 "Throughout These Lenten Days and Nights" (verse 1)
Throughout these Lenten days and nights we turn to walk the inward way,
where, meeting Christ, our guide and light, we live in hope till Easter Day.

*POSTLUDE



Thank you to Linda Roberts for being our accompanist today.

WELCOME VISITOR! We are delighted that you are here to share worship of our Lord Jesus this morning together with the rest of us. We want you to be well informed about the Christian faith and about the church so don't be afraid to ask. You may communicate with us in several ways. Ask a neighbor in your pew, fill out a blue first-time visitor card, add your name to the Ritual of Friendship pad and by all means do not hesitate to contact our pastor. May God bless you this morning and throughout the week.

Rev. Betsy Turner, Interim Pastor
Dorothy Clark, Organist
Tom Francis, Custodian Emeritus

Ward Gailey, Music Director
Linda Hodges, Office Manager
Nursery: Suzie Wharton and Allie Dunn

Stockbridge Presbyterian Church

March 10, 2019
11:00 a.m.

First Sunday in Lent



*"Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit,
returned from the Jordan and was led
by the Spirit in the wilderness."*

Luke 4:1

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

(Please silence and refrain from using all electronic devices during this hour of worship.)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

CHIMING THE TRINITY

PRELUDE

PRESENTATION OF THE WORD

Beadle: Paul Szeto

Please use this time for silent meditation and preparation for worship.

Prayer cards are in the pew rack in front of you for submission to church prayer list.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*Those who are able, please stand.

*CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT #132 "Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart" (verse 1)

**Spirit of God, descend upon my heart,
free it from sin, through all its pulses move. Stoop to my weakness, mighty as you are,
and make me love you as I ought to love.**

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Luke 4:1, Romans 10:8)

Liturgist: Paul Szeto

One: Our journey begins in the wilderness.

All: **God leads us through the wilderness.**

One: We follow the way of Jesus, who faced trials, trouble, temptation, and testing.

All: **Like Jesus, we are not alone. The Holy Spirit is with us. God's word is on our lips.**

One: Our call is to trust in God alone, to do God's will in all things.

All: **Our call is to bring our best to God. Let us worship God!**

*HYMN OF PRAISE #507 "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God of grace and mercy, you create new order for our lives: service before success, faith before knowledge, partnership over independence, the cross over the crown. Forgive us when we succumb to temptation and fall into the pattern of this world, rejecting your call through our action and inaction. Hear us now as we confess in silence the particular ways we need your grace...

~silence~

Forgive us, God, and move us to see the world in the light of your great love. Forgive us, God, and grant us peace. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Scripture declares this good news: The Lord is generous to all who call on God's name.

All: **God does not turn away from us, but meets us in the wilderness of sin, and forgives us. Thanks be to God!**

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Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

PROCLAIMING AND ENACTING THE WORD

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Paul Szeto

(Children will be dismissed to Children's Worship following the anthem.)

ANTHEM "Come to Me" Flewelling, arr. Gailey

Sanctuary Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Psalm 91

Page 518, Pew Bible

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING Luke 4:1-13

Page 57, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON "Lead us not into temptation..."

Rev. Betsy Turner

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

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