

THE BLESSING OF THE BREAD AND CUP
THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD
THE THANKSGIVING PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN OF RESPONSE #2254

“In Remembrance of Me”

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

Rev. Pat

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE— SANCTUARY

**Lord prepare me, to be a sanctuary
Pure and holy, tried and true.
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living
Sanctuary for you. CCL#1025014**

Next Week ~ Second Sunday of Lent: Jeff Skinner will deliver the message; the Geneva Choir will sing and Shannon will play the Organ
Text: Genesis 12: 1-4; Psalm 121; John 3: 1-17



WELCOME VISITORS!

We are delighted to have you in our service this morning! Every Sunday, we are privileged to have people attending our church for the first time and we want you to feel welcome among us. Please stop by the Welcome Center right after service. We have a special gift for you.

PLEASE SIGN THE FELLOWSHIP BOOK found in the pews. We would like to know of your presence this morning. **PLEASE SHARE PRAYER JOYS/CONCERNS** on the Prayer card; they will be included in the Prayers of the People during the service, and then added to the Prayer Chain.

A PERSONAL SOUND SYSTEM FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED IS AVAILABLE. WORSHIP BULLETINS FOR CHILDREN are available. Contact an usher for assistance.

TAPES OF THIS SUNDAY'S SERMON are available. Contact the church office or Art Sattler.

If you are in need of **Pastoral Care** or know someone who is, please call Rev. Pat at the church (419-475-4436) or at her home (419-534-3739).

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First

SUNDAY IN

LENT





10:00 AM



Welcome to worship with the Fairgreen family! The * symbol means, "All who are able, please stand." † indicates when latecomers may be seated.

First Sunday in Lent

SILENT REFLECTION Psalm 139: 23, 24

Search me, O God, and know my heart; try me and know my thoughts!
See if there is any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting. Amen.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Please sign fellowship book found in pews.

This is the day that the Lord has made!

Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

OPENING SET ~ #2088 "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High" & "The Power of Your Love"

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND CONFESSION

Rev. Pat

*HYMN OF RESPONSE #280 (Please remain seated)

"Amazing Grace"

THE WORD OF GOD

TIME WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH

Rev. Pat

UNISON PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of Your love. Send forth Your Spirit and they shall be created, and You shall renew the face of the earth. O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise, and ever enjoy Your consolations. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

FIRST READING

Psalm 32

pg. 869(OT) in the pew Bible

ANTHEM

"Come to Me"

Jeff Wilczynski

SECOND READING

Genesis 2: 15-17, 3: 1-7

pg. 4(OT) in the pew Bible

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 4: 1-11

pg. 1499(NT) in the pew Bible

SERMON **"Hope Unfolding: Freedom and Responsibility"** Rev. Pat Lawrence Shafer

OUR RESPONSE

*HYMN #2080

"All I Need is You"

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO GOD
OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

Old Hundredth

**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.**

THE CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE INVITATION

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

God of the Covenant, you saved those on the ark through the flood and gave them your sign of Covenant, the rainbow. Through repentance and baptismal waters we too have been saved, and made signs of your New Covenant in Jesus Christ.

Led us in your truth and teach us, for you are the God of our salvation.

After Jesus was baptized in the Jordan, your Spirit drove him out into the wilderness. Like Jesus, we too are tempted. Yet he showed us how to resist evil.

Lead us in your truth and teach us, for you are the God of our salvation.

Coming out of the wilderness, Jesus began proclaiming your good news, saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

Lead us in your truth and teach us, for you are the God of our salvation.

Bring your reign near to us in this meal, Mighty Spirit. Draw us together in the ark of your church, that we may be signs of your covenant in the world, Covenanting God, Resisting Christ, and Saving Spirit, One God in Three. **Amen.**