

\*HYMN #2022

"Great is the Lord"

\*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

\*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**

POSTLUDE

Shannon Smith

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**Next Week** ~ Third Sunday in Lent

Communion will be served and the Praise Band will play

**Texts:** Exodus 17: 1-7; Psalm 95; Romans 5: 1-11; John 4: 5-42

Theme ~ Hope Unfolding ~ Living Water

Let's gather to consider all the ways God meets us right where we are.



**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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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.

**Second Sunday in Lent**

PRELUDE Shannon Smith

SILENT REFLECTION  
Is God nudging you to step beyond your comfort zone in any way today?

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**

CHORAL INTROIT "The Kingdom of the Lord" Geneva Choir  
CALL TO WORSHIP Bill Smith, Liturgist

We look for help.  
**Where will it come from?**  
Our help will come from the Lord who created the heavens and the earth.  
**Let our hearts rejoice in God's kindness and love.**

Do we dare place our trust in God?  
**God has promised to be with us to guide us.**  
Are we willing to continue on the journey when we don't know the dangers and are not sure of the destination.  
**No matter what, God is with us. That's the promise and the hope.**  
Let us step forward boldly, listening for God's call in our lives.  
**Let us place our trust in God always. AMEN.**

\*HYMN OF PRAISE #483 "Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above"

\*CALL TO CONFESSION Jeff Skinner

\*UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION  
**Dear God, we acknowledge that sometimes like the children of Israel and the sons of Levi, we look back to the familiar past and reject your call to move in faith into the future. Like many others who live under your claim, we crucify Christ daily. Lord, forgive us for putting our trust in material things and hoped-for events and for neglecting you as the sole object of our faith. Help us to be more responsive to your call and follow you as have the faithful in former**

**years. Through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray. Amen.**  
Prayers and Readings for Worship, Judy Judd, ed. (Independence, Missouri: Herald Publishing House 1987), 41.

\*SILENT CONFESSION  
\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON Jeff Skinner  
\*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

**THE WORD OF GOD**

TIME WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH Jeff Skinner

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION  
FIRST READING **Genesis 12: 1-4** Bill Smith, Liturgist  
pg. 17 (OT) in the pew Bible

ANTHEM "God So Loved the World" Geneva Choir

GOSPEL READING **John 3: 1-17** pg. 1649 (NT) in the pew Bible

SERMON "Go Abe, Go!" Jeff Skinner

**OUR RESPONSE**

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE #399 "We Will Walk by Faith and Not by Sight"

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO GOD Bill Smith  
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.**

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION Bill Smith

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER (debts) pg.16 in the hymnal (traditional)