March 5, 2023 ~ 2nd Sunday in Lent

Gathering Music ~ "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" (arr. Hayes) ~ Leigh Emmett

Welcome and Announcements ~ Don Tulley, liturgist

Prelude ~ "Holy, Holy, Holy" (arr. Larson)

Call to Worship ~ responsive

Leader: Come, let us bow down and worship the Lord our God.

People: For God made us, we are the sheep of his pasture.

Leader: The Lord has cared and provided for us

People: and the Lord walks with us through good times and bad. Amen

*you are invited to stand in body or in spirit

*Hymn #829 ~ "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession ~ in unison

Jesus, you care so deeply for us, just as you cared for your disciples and the least of these. Lord, for the times when we have thought of ourselves before others, forgive us. May we remember both your saving love and your call to care for and support our community. Amen. (A time of silent, personal prayer)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Responsive Chorus #625 ~ "How Great Thou Art!" (refrain) Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee: How great thou art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to thee: How great thou art! How great thou art!

Passing the Peace Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. People: And also with you.

Responsive Chorus #1 ~ "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!" Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Offering Prayer

*Doxology#606 ~ "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" (traditional) Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer for Illumination

Hebrew Scripture ~ Psalm 121

Special Music ~ "Trust in You" (D. Semsen) ~ Celebration Choir

Christian Scripture ~ John 3:1-21

Message ~ "For God So Loved the Neighborhood" ~ The Rev. Renee Roederer, guest

*Hymn #722 ~ "Lord Speak to Me That I May Speak"

A time for sharing the joys and concerns of our community.

Prayer Preparation#627 ~ "I Love You, Lord" I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice to worship you; O my soul, rejoice. Take joy, my King, in what you hear; may it be a sweet, sweet sound in your ear.

The Lord's Prayer ~ in unison

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.

*Hymn #740 ~ "Lead Me, Guide Me"

*Benediction

*Choral Response #614 ~ "Great Are You, Lord" Great are you, Lord: you are holy and just; by your power we trust in your love. Great are you, Lord: you are faithful and true; by your mercy you prove you are love. Great are you, Lord, and worthy of glory! Great are you, Lord, and worthy of praise. Great are you, Lord. We lift up our voice; we lift up our voice: great are you, Lord! Great are you, Lord!

Postlude ~ "God Be With You 'Til We Meet Again" (arr. Hayes)

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DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME begins NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 12! Please remember to set your clocks FORWARD one hour!

The Lenten Study of Galatians with Pastor Nate meets on Wednesday evenings at 6:00PM, beginning with a soup supper, and will continue through March 29.

The study is offered as a hybrid - a link will be provided as an option for those who may find that more convenient.

The Deacons are offering up an assortment of Easter Flowers for purchase: Potted Tulips, Daffodils, Hyacinths and Azaleas with prices ranging from \$15 to \$20.00. Order forms are available in the office. **Please place your orders by March 10**. Flowers will be delivered fresh from the nursery and will be available to pick up on Easter Sunday.

From Kathy Potter...Beginning March 21st, for 4 weeks, we will be viewing & discussing the video study The Case for Easter with Lee Strobel! Many of you may remember studies with Strobel, including The Case for Christ that we did in December. He is an engaging apologist for Christ. If you plan to participate & wish to do the personal study throughout the week, please let me know by March 7th, so I can order the study guide for your use. The guide costs \$8.00 & is NOT required to participate in class. I hope you can join us at 9am sharp at GoogleMeet meet.google.com/ofb-mozw-shc or by phone at (US)+1 513-818-1609 PIN: 389 490 359#. or at the church in the preschool room!

One Great Hour of Sharing is the single largest way that Presbyterians join together to share God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the world. Each gift helps to improve the lives of people in challenging situations through three impactful programs: Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People. An envelope is provided in the March packet.

Please hold those listed in prayer... and REVIEW and REPORT updates, PLEASE

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

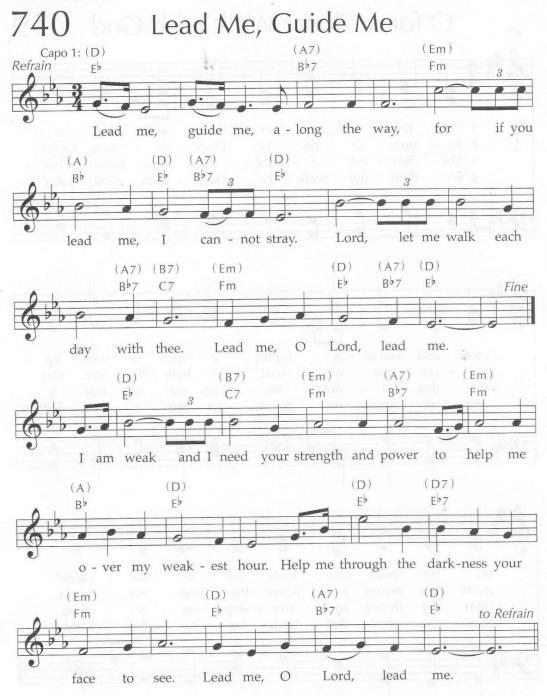
Andy Foy, Bill Garvey, Mike Graham, Janet Frank, Grace Erwin, August and Faith Kornowicz Karen Bright, Sheldon Davis, Doris Knecht, Pam Phillips, Suzanne Tabaka, Jim and Joanna Roye, Jerry Stone Beverly Dearth, Kathleen Warren, Bob Liebertz, Grace Campbell, Susan Grant, Bruce Phillips Julie Newell ~ cousin of Pam Phillips; sister-in law and nephew of Pat Garvey Linda Thompson and her sister, Shirley Kircoff Joan Velis and family; Westin ~ infant grandson of Jeanne Sinclair John Branch ~ father of Christie Piastowski Dave Schulz ~ nephew of Carol and Mike Graham Sharon and George and Rita Czanko ~ cousins of Terry Earnley Lois Wludyka and John Candiloro ~ friends of August Kornowicz Ray and Mary Clark \sim neighbors of Don and Meta Tulley Sarah and Mason Young ~ family of Judy McGregor Ben Abela ~ son-in-law of August and Faith Kornowicz Macaylah Whitlock ~ daughter of the Rev. Kellie and Marc Whitlock Rosemary Iaquinta ~ sister of Cathy DeSautel; Pamela Serene ~ daughter of the late Marilyn Allen Glenn Ellan Rubright ~ sister of Mike Graham; Nicole Snead ~ daughter of Bill VanEck Nancy Kreipke ~ mother of Christian; Rich McKenzie ~ son of Jean; Erin Lewis ~ daughter of Pattie Benoit Phyllis Badman ~ niece of Georgia Hunt; Christie Piastowski ~ daughter of Karen Bright Janet Kusuhara ~ cousin of Meta Tulley; Joe Ducsay ~ friend of Mike and Carol Graham Mark Osborne \sim son of the late Janet Cyndi Knecht ~ daughter of Doris; Joe Perko ~ friend of Wanda Seymour David Bonandrini ~ son of Ben; Gideon Janku ~ great nephew of Bob Westbrook Judy Siegfried ~ sister-in-law of Pam Phillips; Randy Tillman ~ son of Gloria Rubbo Mary Rayes ~ friend of Pat Hutchison; Adam Schilling and Eric Shilling ~ grandsons of Ron and Janet Frank Donald Keller III ~ son of Jan Lapenta; Scott Davis ~ son of Sheldon and Marion Davis

DISCIPLESHIP AND MISSION



Two great truths inform this text: first, that the testimony of experience is powerful and persuasive; and second, that no one should venture to minister on one's own strength rather than God's. The tune reflects a 19th-century practice of adapting piano pieces as hymn tunes.

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Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

This African American gospel hymn can well be understood as an updated adaptation of Psalm 5:8, with the "enemies" of the psalm treated as the pressures and temptations of daily life. As with the psalms, the "I" here is understood to express a shared communal experience.

