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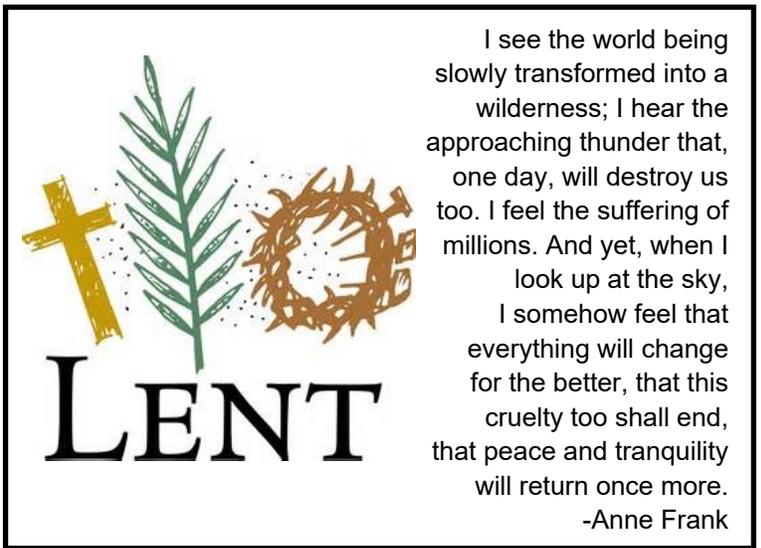
508 FRANKLIN AVENUE, GRAND HAVEN, MICHIGAN 49417

February 21, 2021

First Sunday of Lent

10:00 a.m.

Rev. Troy Hauser Brydon, Senior Pastor
Rev. Kristine Aragon Bruce, Associate Pastor
Rev. Scott Stanley, Parish Associate
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PRELUDE—*Awake My Soul*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT—*Take Me to the Water*

Hymn 480, vs 1, 2, 3

OPENING PRAYER

Rev. Kristine Aragon Bruce

Almighty God, your Son fasted forty days in the wilderness and was tempted as we are but did not sin. Give us grace to direct our lives in obedience to your Spirit, that as you know our weakness, so we may know your power to save; through Jesus Christ our redeemer, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

LIGHTING THE CANDLE TOGETHER

*OPENING SONG—*Soul On Fire*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Most merciful God, whose Son Jesus Christ was tempted in every way, yet without sin, we confess before you that we have sinned; we have hungered after that which does not satisfy; we have compromised with evil; we have doubted your power to protect us. Forgive our lack of faith; have mercy on our weakness. Restore in us such love and trust that we may walk in your ways and delight in doing your will. *(time for silent confession)*

RESPONSE—*There is a Redeemer*

Hymn 443, vs 1

There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son; precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One. Thank you, O my Father, for giving us your Son, and leaving your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*RESPONSE—*There Is a Redeemer*

Hymn 443, vs 2

Jesus, my Redeemer, name above all names, precious Lamb of God, Messiah, hope for sinners slain. Thank you, O my Father, for giving us your Son, and leaving your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

WORD FOR THE CHILDREN

SCRIPTURE READINGS

First Lesson—1 Peter 3:18-22

Second Lesson—Mark 1:9-15

SERMON

The Wilderness

Rev. Troy Hauser Brydon

*RESPONSIVE HYMN—*Lord, Who throughout These Forty Days*

Hymn 166

PRAYER 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.

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY—*My Savior My God*

*DOXOLOGY—*We Give Thee but Thine Own*

Hymn 708, vs 1

We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be; all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

*PRAYER OF THANKS

*CLOSING HYMN—*O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High*

Hymn 618

*CHARGE TO THE CONGREGATION

*BENEDICTION & CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE—*What Wondrous Love Is This*

Hymn 215, vs 1

POSTLUDE—*Lord Jesus, Think on Me*

J. Bert Carlson

WORSHIP CONCLUDES—SERVICE BEGINS!



The flowers in the chancel are dedicated to the glory and honor of God with happy, loving memories of our parents and our siblings who are with us in spirit, by Harry & Karen Nienhouse.



Our Church Family & Friends

Prayer requests: Brian Anderson and Joan Tandler, Betty Berg, Larry Braak, Jean Kocher, Ron Mass, Bev Purcell, Lisa Stoner, Sandy Teunis and those in our congregation who have tested positive for Covid-19 or who have loved ones who are struggling with Covid-19.

Your ongoing generosity with the church is appreciated! A drop box has been installed between the set of doors at the Clinton Street entrance where you can securely drop off your offering while maintaining "social distancing." You can also mail your offering: 508 Franklin Ave, GH 49417, give online using onrealm.org or text FPGH to 73256. We are working hard to keep the church strong, serving, and ready to relaunch as soon as we are able.



Midweek Meditations
 In Person and Livestreamed on Facebook
 at 6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday, February 17 & 24

Worship Leaders:

Rev. Troy Hauser Brydon, Senior Pastor;
 Rev. Kristine Aragon Bruce, Associate Pastor;
 Maryanne Beery, Director of Music & Fine Arts;
 Rob Hlebinsky, Organist, Marc Felt, Gathering Band Director;
 Amy Geren, Nathan Howe, Tim Olson, Aaron Portenga,
 Gathering Band

New Member Class
 Are you interested in becoming a member of the church? Join the pastors on Sunday, February 28th at 2:00 p.m. for a membership information conversation on Zoom. Please contact the church office at 616-842-6760 for more information or to sign up.