

The First Sunday in Lent

February 18, 2024

THE BLESSING OF GATHERING

PRELUDE

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

*Margaret Cox
Pianist*

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

*Stewart Draper
Worship Leader*

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Worship Leader: Have mercy on us O Lord,

Congregation: according to your steadfast love.

Worship Leader: We come to you this day,

Congregation: with repentant hearts seeking your forgiveness.

Worship Leader: Blot out our transgressions,

Congregation: according to your abundant grace.

Worship Leader: Wash us thoroughly from our inequity,

Congregation: and cleanse us from our sins.

Worship Leader: Renew a right Spirit within us,

Congregation: and restore to us the joy of your salvation.

*Stewart Draper
Worship Leader*

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

“Standing on the Promises”

Hymn 552
Verses 1, 2, 3

***INVOCATION**

*Stewart Draper
Worship Leader*

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Stewart Draper
Worship Leader*

THE GIFT OF THE WORD

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

“Don’t Turn Away”

Rev. Rick Malugani

SCRIPTURE

Luke 4:16-24

*Stewart Draper
Worship Leader*

SERMON

“What is it we were Expecting?”

Rev. Rick Malugani

OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD

***HYMN OF INVITATION**

“O Jesus, I have Promised”

Hymn 612
Verses 1, 2, 4

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Rev. Rick Malugani

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Rick Malugani

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

*Stewart Draper
Worship Leader*

Offertory

“Where He Leads Me”

*Margaret Cox
Pianist*

*Doxology

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

*Offertory Prayer

*Stewart Draper
Worship Leader*

THE GIFT FROM JESUS

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Rev. Rick Malugani

COMMUNION PRAYER

Conclude by praying together the Lord’s Prayer

*Ed Guindon
Elder*

THE COMMUNION

All are welcome to join us as we remember the life, death, and resurrection of our Lord. Please partake of the bread as it is passed and hold onto the cup to drink as led by the pastor.

SHARING GOD’S LOVE WITH OTHERS

***HYMN OF DEDICATION**

“God of Grace and God of Glory”

Hymn 464
Verses 1, 2, 3

***BENEDICTION**

(Hold hands with the person near you.)

Rev. Rick Malugani

POSTLUDE

“Just a Closer Walk with Thee”

*Margaret Cox
Pianist*

*Congregation standing – as able or willing

Please join us for coffee fellowship in the Parlor after worship.

Life in the Valley

Sunday, Feb 18	First Sunday in Lent 10:30am Worship Week of Compassion Offering
Monday, Feb 19	President's Day Voice Deadline 8:00am Manna Market Prep (Fellowship) 6:00pm Embellishments Bell Choir Group (Yellow Room)
Tuesday, Feb 20	8:00am Manna Market Sale (Fellowship) 6:30pm Bible Study Class on Zoom.
Wednesday, Feb 21	9:00am New Horizons (Fellowship) 11:30am Men's Luncheon 6:30pm CPR Certification Group (Choir Room)
Thursday, Feb 22	9:00am New Horizons (Fellowship) 11:15am Lenten Brown Bag Lunch and Program 6:00pm BVM Dinner at the PawPaw Patch (Homewood)
Friday, Feb 23	9:00am New Horizons (Fellowship)
Saturday, Feb 24	10:00am CPR Certification Group (Choir Room)
Sunday, Feb 25	Second Sunday in Lent 10:30am Worship Week of Compassion Offering

Today's Servers

WORSHIP LEADER: Stewart Draper ELDER: Ed Guindon DEACONS/GREETER: Team 1 –
Captain: Beth Collier Members: Ginny Guindon, Jean Thrasher and John Gregory OPEN: Pastor
CLOSE: John Gregory COFFEE FELLOWSHIP: Ginny Guindon

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“People Serving God Serving People”

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