Second Sunday of Lent February 28, 2021, 11:00 am

PRELUDE

Wayfaring Stranger— arr. Eva Cassidy

CALL TO RETURN TO OUR SOULS

Pastor: I don't know how our ancestors walked their troubles and trials down.

Quartet: I don't know how they stood their ground.

Pastor: I don't know how they survived Wars and Slavery, Depression, Sorrow

Disease.

Quartet: But I do remember, that's why I believe.

Pastor: My God calls me by the thunder and in the morning dew.

Quartet: The Beauty of the universe knows my name! –
Pastor: Gave me a song to sing and sent me on my way!

Quartet: I raise my voice for justice,

Pastor: For peace

Quartet: For God's enduring love

Pastor: I believe.

--adapted from I Remember, I Believe by Bernice Johnson Reagon

#2190 Sing the Faith Bring Forth the Kingdom

CALL TO CONFESSION AND COMMITMENT

Pastor: As Jesus followers, we give our hearts to the idea that Jesus is The Way. Lent, the forty days preceding Easter, is a time to walk The Way. Today we acknowledge these things to be true of <u>our way</u>: (ALL join in in repeating the following lines:

We have been blind. Now we would see.

We have been lost. We desire to be found.

We have been hurt. We desire healing.

We have been estranged from those we love.

We will find a way to reconciliation and walk it.

Let me to die to my own worst impulses. I will be reborn.

I have lived in exile from the best in me. I will gladly return.

I have experienced some form of human bondage. I will be free of it.

I have sinned. I seek forgiveness of my sins.

My heart has often been closed. I will open it.

Beginning today, by the light of Christ

and in the company of my friends and fellows,

I seek The Way. Amen.

#213 Glory to God In the C

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

Bible readings: Luke 12:13-21 Ecclesiastes 12 Jennifer Weiman

Mark 8:34-37

SUNG RESPONSE TO SCRIPTURE

#220 Glory to God Go to Dark Gethsemane

Message SCOTT The Secret of Everything that Matters

#320 Glory to God The Church of Christ in Every Age

WELCOME

Anthem

Child of God — text and music by Mark A. Miller

Intercessory Prayer SCOTT—with comments by people on FB <u>**DEANNA</u>** will read these in spaces of silence)...conclude with the Lord's Prayer and Sung Response.....</u>

SUNG RESPONSE

215 Glory to God

Glory to God What Wondrous Love is This (stanza 2)

OFFERTORY

Night

Text: Louise C. Wallace; music: Florence B. Price

Emma WitbolsFeugen, mezzo soprano

PRAYER OF DEDICATION—"Praying Scripture"

#825 Glory to God Swing Low, Sweet Chariot

BLESSING

SUNG BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Insert Nunc Dimittis (for Night Prayer)

POSTLUDE

The Unclouded Day— Josiah Kelley Alwood; setting by Joel Raney