

February 26, 2023



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"Living By the Mercy of God"

Matthew 4:1-11

Gathered at Federated Church: 76 Bell Street, Chagrin Falls, OH 44022

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First Sunday of Lent

10 AM

Chimes indicate the service is starting, and silence is appreciated to prepare for worship.

Prelude *God Is Good* (Dan Moen) RISE to Shine Band

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton

Introit *Mighty to Save* (Hillsong) RISE to Shine Band

* **Call to Worship** (*responsive*) Rick Bryan

One: Jesus began his ministry to the world, led by the Spirit into the wilderness.

All: As we begin our Lenten journey, let us be led by the Spirit, even into the uncomfortable places.

One: In the wilderness, Jesus' faith in God saved him from temptation.

All: In our own wild lives, may we rely on that same faith to protest us.

One: Let us then worship God, our rock and our redeemer.

All: Amen.

* **Passing of Christ's Peace**
(Children from grades K-8 leave for Sunday School)

* **Hymn** *In Suffering Love* No. 66

Prayers of Confession (*unison*) Rick Bryan

**Instead of following where you lead, O God,
we follow a tempting vision of the world
that is a mere counterfeit of what you desire for us.**

**At times, O God, we are deceived and enticed
by imitations of love, abundance, and joy
because we lose sight of your hand in our lives.**

**We so often have sought to control our days
by ignoring your wisdom and pushing your guidance aside.**

Help us to trust you to journey with us.

Help us to rest in your promise to never forsake us. Amen.

* Those who are able stand

**** Worshipers may be seated

Sung Response*Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us (2x)*

No. 300

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.**Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.****Lord, have mercy upon us.****Words of Assurance**

Rick Bryan

Do not fear. I say to you in the name of Jesus Christ: Your sins are forgiven. Your faith has made you free. Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation; the old has passed away. Behold the new has come. Thanks be to God!

Generosity Impact Moment

Rev. Betsy Wooster

Invitation to Generosity

Rev. Wooster

Anthem*Christ Be All Around Me* (Michael W. Smith/Leeland)

RISE to Shine Band

*** Doxology**

No. 48

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;**Praise Christ, all creatures here below;****Praise Holy Spirit evermore;****One God triune, whom we adore. Amen.***** 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.****For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.****Prayers of Thanksgiving and Fellowship of Prayer**

Rev. Wooster

*** Hymn***Jesus, Lover of My Soul*

No. 542

Scripture

Matthew 4:1-11

Rev. Throckmorton



This Sanctuary is equipped with a **Hearing Loop system** that works with all **Telecoil-equipped hearing aids** to amplify sound with excellent clarity.

Sermon

Rev. Throckmorton

* **Hymn**

They'll Know We Are Christians

No. 494

* **Benediction**

Rev. Throckmorton

Postlude

This Is Amazing Grace (Phil Wickham)

RISE to Shine Band

~ Departing to Service ~



UPCOMING WORSHIP

Sunday, March 5th, 10 AM

Second Sunday of Lent

Children & Youth Sunday

Kristin LeFeber preaches

"Born Again, and Again, and Again"

John 3:1-17