



Michael O'Brien, *Christ's Temptations in the Desert*

First Sunday in Lent

Sunday, February 27, 2022

10:15 am

Gathering Around the Word

Prelude

“Adagio in E Major”

Frank Bridge

Opening Words

Deannine Shipman

Introit

For the Living of These Days

CWM RHONDDA
New Music by Ned Wetherald

First and last time

Grant us wis - dom, grant us cou - rage, for the liv - ing of these
days, for the liv - ing of these days.

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*Call to Worship

Leader: Let all God's people come—

People: We will lift our voices to the Lord.

Leader: God says, “I will teach you the way you should go.”

People: May we learn to listen and follow the way of Christ.

*Hymn No. 166

“Lord, Who Throughout these Forty Days”

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

Loving Lord, at the beginning of this Lenten season, You call us to rid ourselves of the things that clutter our lives, and all that distracts us from the simple truth of Your love for us. In our hearts, we name now in our hearts the things that draw our attention away from you [pause]. Forgive us, we pray, and help us now to meet the challenge of handing over every bit of our lives that do not come from You. We can do this only with your help and with the mercy of our Savior, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

Prayer of Inspiration

Nikki Blake

First Scripture Reading

Deuteronomy 5:6-10

[Where you see an asterisk (*), please stand if you are able]

Hearing the Word

Anthem "A Lenten Prayer" Hal Hopson
The Chancel Choir

Time for Children Deannine Shipman
Parents and Guardians please take note that during the children's message, children may be photographed or video recorded due to our live stream. The video/images may be used without compensation by the church for promotional purposes in digital or print media. If you do not wish for your child to be in the live stream, the front pew/row of chairs are not in the live shot.

Song After Children's Time "As Each New Horizon Beckons"
As each new horizon beckons, may it challenge them anew, children of creative purpose, helping others love the Lord. May their dreams prove rich with promise, each endeavor well begun. Great Creator, give them guidance till their lives and yours are one.

Second Scripture Reading Luke 4:1-12 Dean Lindsey

Sermon "Don't Worship Anything or Anyone Else!" Dean Lindsey
2nd in a series of six sermons on the text of a beloved hymn

Responding to the Word

***Hymn No. 499** "Bread of the World in Mercy Broken"

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Offering

***Doxology Hymn 608** "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

Prayer of Dedication

Celebration of Communion

Invitation to the Table
Sharing of Joys and Concerns
Communion Prayer
Breaking of the Bread
Pouring of the Cup
Distribution of Elements
Prayer following Communion

***Hymn No. 720** "Jesus Call Us"

***Benediction**

***Sharing of the Peace**

Postlude "Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days" Anthony Giamanco

Welcome Visitors & Guests

We are so glad you have joined us today. If you have questions about our church, our programs or activities offered here, stop by the Information Desk outside the Church Office.

You are Invited for coffee and fellowship in the Social Hall before worship every Sunday from 8:45 am to 10:00 am.

Ushers this Morning:

Head Usher: Kimberly Dawn-Falk
 Ushers: Vivian Noll, Curt Dell, Reed Miller and Owen Perry

Information Desk: Mary D'Ambrosia

Greeters this Morning:

Parking Lot: Dave Beppler and Helen Roback
Fraser Street: Liane Roe

Coffee Hour this Morning:

Host: Sharon Manno
Assisting: Judy Killam & Jane Butler

Here's What's Happening at SCPC

Adult Education

Next Sunday, March 13th, Paul Mortimore will take over the series, talking first about whether fear of God means being afraid of God and then the link between the fear of God and love of God. Join us next Sunday at 9:00 am in Westminster Hall. Tod McPherson continues...

Walking with God—Adult Education

For those who liked Tod McPherson's Adult Ed offering last week, you're in luck! Sessions with him will continue weekly in Room 10 during Lent at 9:00 am. The goal is turning Lenten fasting on its head by adding a discipline rather than subtracting a practice. This is an Adult Education offering you don't want to miss. To access the reading for Walking with God, please visit our webpage

<https://www.scpresby.org/lent-2022-adult-ed-readings.html>

Spring Break Mission Trip

Nine adults and young people from our church left yesterday for far Southwest Virginia. Our group will be working with the Appalachian Service Project, a Christian ministry that inspires hope and service through volunteer home repair and replacement in Central Appalachia. Members of our congregation are welcome to offer financial support for this mission through our online giving portal or indicating "Youth Mission Trip" on a check. More than that, we hope that you will pray for our participants as individuals and as a group that this may be a time of effective service and great growth in faith.

Flower Chart for 2022

Anyone wishing to supply flowers for 2022 Sunday worship services, the flower chart is posted in the hallway between the sanctuary and the church office. Or, call or email the church office at 814-238-2422 or

Making Space For Grace

A Lenten Fasting practice and small group discussion will begin on March 7th at 7:30 pm on Zoom. Every Monday during Lent, the Spiritual Life Committee is inviting you to share and discuss our practice of fasting in a small group setting. There will be a new fast proposed each week. Examples may include fasting from impatience, judgement, fear, busyness, gossip, etc. Try one or all. To receive the Zoom link contact Allison at allisonscpc@gmail.com.

Lenten Devotionals 2022

Lenten Devotionals will begin Ash Wednesday, March 2nd. The theme for this year's devotionals is *God of Grace and God of Glory*. We invite personal reflections about instances where you have been the recipient of grace or have witnessed God's glory manifesting in the world. All are encouraged to try their hand! To receive daily devotionals and more information, please contact allisonscpc@gmail.com or mkistler1983@gmail.com.

Third Wednesday Lunch Returns

Come and join Pastor Dean for lunch and conversations at Wegmans on March 16 at 11:45 am. These luncheons were suspended during the pandemic, but it will be fun to get back together again. No reservations necessary. Just show up, get some food, and join the group.

Second Sunday Membership Opportunity— Next Sunday!

Anyone interested in becoming a member of our church family is invited to the Martin Room following worship next Sunday. You'll meet the pastor, several elders from our Session, and be received into membership if you wish. Questions? Contact Martha Trout (marthascpc@gmail.com).

This Week at SCPC

Sunday, March 6

Communion Sunday

- 8:45 am-10:00 am Coffee Available—Social Hall
- 9:00 am Adult Ed—Westminster Hall & Room 10
- **10:15 am In-Person Worship Service**
- **10:15 am Service Live Steam on YouTube & Available to view**
- 11:30 am YoPro Bible Study—Fireside Room

Monday, March 7

Stay and Play Closed

- 11:00 am Communion at Foxdale—Dining Room
- 4:00 pm Sustainability Circle—Fireside Room
- 5:30 pm Personnel Ministry Unit—Martin Room
- 7:00 pm Men's Bible Study—Fireside Room
- 7:00 pm Theology Untapped—Central Reservation
- 7:00 pm Virtual Centering Prayer—Zoom
- 7:00 pm Space for Grace—Zoom

Tuesday, March 8

Stay and Play Closed

- 10:00 am Staff Meeting
- 12:00 pm Congregational Prayer Meeting—Zoom

Wednesday, March 9

Stay and Play Closed

- 12:30 pm Wednesday in the Word—Zoom/Fireside Room
- 7:00 pm Racial Reconciliation—Zoom

Thursday, March 10

Stay and Play Closed

- 7:00 pm Chancel Choir
- 7:00 pm Men's Covenant Group—Martin Room

Friday, March 11

Stay and Play Closed

- 11:30 am GIFT Book Club—Fireside Room (Bring a Lunch)

Saturday, March 12

Hearing Assist Devices are available on the back table in the Sanctuary

Sunday, March 13

Infant and Toddler Childcare—Room 101

- 8:45 am-10:00 am Coffee Available—Social Hall
- 9:00 am Adult Ed—Westminster Hall and Room 10
- 9:00 am Sunday School
- **10:15 am In-Person Worship Service**
- **10:15 am Service Live Steam on YouTube & Available to view**
- Creative Movement and Music and Children and Worship during Service
- 11:15 am Invitation to Join—Martin Room
- 11:30 am YoPro Bible Study—Fireside Room
- 7:00 pm Session Meeting—Social Hall/Zoom

Due to Spring Break, there will not be childcare or children's programming TODAY, everyone is encouraged to enjoy worship together! All ages welcome! Childcare and Children's programming will return next Sunday!

For more information about the church and our programs please visit our website at scpresby.org

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