

**February 28, 2021**



***The Second Sunday of Lent***

Our altar flowers this morning are given to the glory of God and in memory of Paul J. Pic by Rosemary Pic, Sara Pic, Elizabeth Sepanik, and Leah Fanara

GATHERING

**"Invitation to Brave Space," Micky ScottBey Bailey**

*Together we will create brave space because there is no such thing as safe space*

*We all carry scars and we have all caused wounds.*

*In this space we seek to turn down the volume of the outside world,*

*we amplify the voices that fight to be heard elsewhere,*

*we call each other to more truth and love.*

*We have the right to start somewhere and continue to grow.*

*We have the responsibility to examine what we think we know.*

*We will not be perfect. This space will not be perfect. It will not always be what we wish it to be.*

*But it will be our brave space together,*

*and we will work on it side by side.*

God's voice names us in holy love. Christ's voice calls to us when we go our own way. The Spirit's voice draws us back to the paths of mercy, forgiveness, and peace with justice. Thanks be to God!

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

From generation to generation, God names us and claims us.

**Blessed be the Lord, our God.**

When we try to tell God what to do, Christ shows us the path of holy love and guides our feet to walk it.

**Let all who draw breath come back to the Lord.**

From our earliest steps, the Spirit guides our way.

**Let the faithful rejoice in the mysteries of our God.**

From generation to generation, God names us and claims us.

**Let heaven and earth praise God's holy name.**

HYMN  
All Praise to Our Redeeming Lord

PRAYER

The peaceful love of Jesus our Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us pray: **Holy One, train our ears to hear your call above the sound of our culture of greed and violence. Tune our hearts to open at the sound of your voice. Inspire us to take up our cross to follow you and raise us to newness of life. For you call us to be stewards of your suffering and bearers of your passion to serve the world.**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

THE RED STEPS

ANTHEM

8:30am - Rebecca Sullivant  
*Man was Dark* by Gustav Hoist

*Man was dark, yet he made himself light; he was weak,  
yet he daunted the bull with his herd; he was frail,  
yet he bitted the horse; he was mean, yet he went with  
his flint where the elephant haunted and made his house  
from rocks and his fence of the gorse. He got himself  
bread from the grass and his cup from the clay, his coat  
from the beast or the flax or the bird in the tree; being  
finless he followed the fish to the depths of the bay, being  
wingless, he woke him a sale and adventured to the sea.  
With his comrades he builded the city and gilded the  
spires; his thought proves the age of the rocks and the  
laws of the sky; he bridled the air and the waters to do his  
desires, his wisdom foretells where the comments or  
planet come by. Yet forever his restlessness craves for a  
peace upon earth, for a comfort to come to his soul from  
a wisdom more true; his want is a blow to his pride and a  
check to his mirth, and he dies crying out in his need, and  
his son cries a new.*

11am - Laurie Phillips  
*He that is Down Need Fear No Fall: The Woodcutter's  
Song* by Ralph Vaughan William

*He that is down need fear no fall;  
He that is low, no pride;  
He that is humble, ever shall have God to be his guide*

*I am content with what I have,  
Little be it or much;  
And, Lord, contentment still I crave.  
Because thou savest such.*

*Fulness to such a burden is,  
That go on pilgrimage;  
Here little, and hereafter bliss,  
Is best from age to age.*

SCRIPTURE - Mark 8:31-38

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