

Second Sunday in Lent

March 13, 2022



Rev. Raygan Baker



Welcome!

Are you a guest with us, or interested in connecting with us?

Text "New" to 559-425-4050 and fill out the Connect Card.

Does your infant or toddler need a minute, a change, or a good cry? Don't worry, we've (literally) all been there.

The service is livestreaming in our Caring Room (Room 1) nearby, where there is space and supplies to help get what your child needs.

Prelude

A Collection of Irish Favorites

Scott Horton, piano

Welcome

Rev. Raygan Baker

Centering Psalm 27: 1, 4, 11-14

Rev. Dr. Norman Broadbent, cantor

(The Congregation sings the Response with the Choir)

Response

Antiphon: Lee Dengler, 1994

Dm Unison Am7/C Bb A Dm

Do not for - sake me, O God of my sal - va - tion.

God is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

God is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

One thing I asked of God, that will I seek after:

to live in the house of God all the days of my life,

to behold the beauty of God, and to inquire in God's temple.

SUNG RESPONSE: Do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.

Teach me your way, O God,
and lead me on a level path because of my enemies.

Do not give me up to the will of my adversaries,
for false witnesses have risen against me, and they are breathing out
violence.

SUNG RESPONSE: Do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.

I believe that I shall see the goodness of God in the land of the living.

Wait for God, be strong; and let your heart take courage; wait for God!

SUNG RESPONSE: Do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.

Opening Prayer

Liturgists: Mollie Schuller
& Scarlett Williams

Holy God,

**As we progress through Lent together, enable us to deepen our
spiritual lives. Lead us in prayer so that we may know the blessing of
being rooted and grounded in your Spirit. Focus our hearts and minds
on your son, in whom we see the pattern that we follow; from wounds
and brokenness into new life. Amen.**

***Hymn**

“Morning Has Broken” (insert)

Scripture Reading

Genesis 15: 1-18

Liturgists: Mollie Schuller
& Scarlett Williams

Choral Anthem

**“Still, My Soul, Be Still”
- Getty/Townend, arr. Koerts**

Chancel Choir

Time for Discovery

**Draw the circle wide, draw it wider still;
let this be our song — no one stands alone,
standing side by side. Draw the circle wide.**

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The 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 debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen.***

Scripture Reading:

Luke 13: 31-35

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& Scarlett Williams

Sermon

***Hymn**

“Be Now My Vision”

#451, pew hymnal

Invitation to Prayer

Sung Call to Prayer

**Lord, listen to your children praying:
Lord send your Spirit in this place.
Lord, listen to your children praying:
Send us love, send us power, send us grace.**

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Prayers of the Church

Invitation to Generosity

Liturgists: Mollie Schuller
& Scarlett Williams

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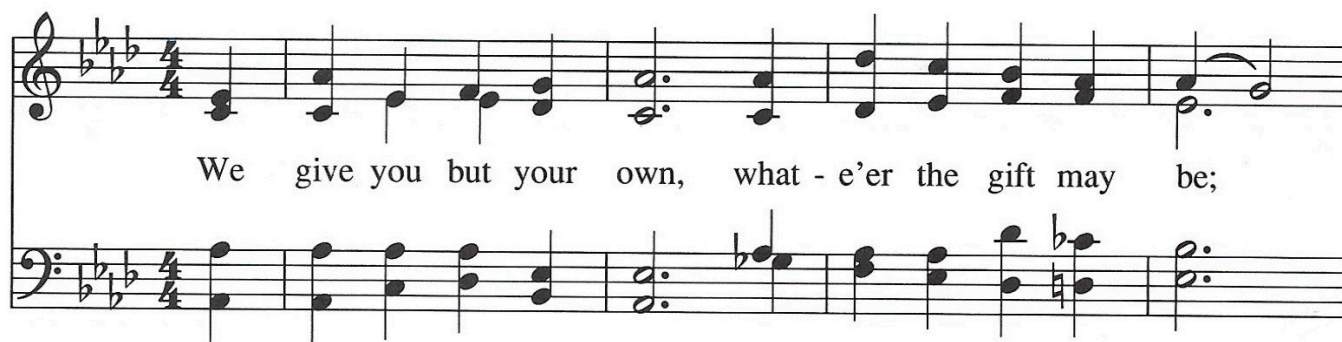


Offertory Music


"Londonderry Air"
- Trad. Irish; arr. Helvey

Scott Horton, piano

*Doxology



We give you but your own, what - e'er the gift may be;



All that we have is yours a - lone, we give it grate-ful - ly.

*Blessing and Sung Benediction

Go now in peace, never be afraid;
God will go with you each hour of ev'ry day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true;
know God will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world will see
God will be there, watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.
Amen. Amen. Amen.

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It is our tradition to be seated for the Postlude.

Postlude

"Gigue" Fugue in G Major,
BWV 577 - J.S. Bach

Scott Horton, organ

We Go Out to Love and Serve the World

Morning Has Broken

C Am Dm G Dm G C

1. Morn - ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing, black-bird has
 2. Sweet the rain's new fall sun - lit from heav - en, like the first
 3. Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing born of the

Em Am Em F G C Am F C

spo - ken like the first bird. Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the
 dew - fall on the first grass. Praise for the sweet - ness of the wet
 one light E - den saw play! Praise with e - la - tion, praise ev - ery

Am G C G Am Dm GW C

morn - ing! Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word!
 gar - den, sprung in com - plete - ness where God's feet pass.
 morn - ing, God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day!

Be Now My Vision

*Ancient Irish text, c. 8th century; transl. Mary E. Byrne, 1905**Versified by Eleanor H. Hull, 1912; adapt.**Unison*

1 Be now my vi - sion, O God of my heart;
 2 Be now my wis - dom, and be my true word;
 3 Rich - es I need not, nor life's emp - ty praise,
 4 Sov - ereign of heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,

noth - ing sur - pass - es the love you im - part—
 ev - er with - in me, my soul is as - sured;
 you, my in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways;
 may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav - en's Sun!

You my best thought, by day or by night,
 Moth - er and Fa - ther, you are both to me,
 You and you on - ly are first in my heart,
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

wak - ing or sleep - ing, your pres - ence my light.
 now and for - ev - er your child I will be.
 great God, my trea - sure, may we nev - er part.
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Christian Exploration Hour

Every Sunday at 9am

Ongoing Opportunities:

Activity	Age Group	Description	Location
Roots & Branches	Adults	Exploring scripture, expanding connections	Fireside Room
Supervised Play	Children ages 5-14	Making friends in the Big Red family	Room 5/ Playground

March Scheduled Opportunities:

Date	Activity	Age Group	Description	Location
Every Sunday in March	Loaves & Fishes	Children ages 8+	Kymberly Lindsey will provide a hands-on experience, guiding you through Coffee Hour prep, and learning about sharing God's love through food. Limit 6 participants per day. Contact Kymberly to sign-up. 559-908-0326.	Kitchen

More information about Exploration Hour at
<https://bigredchurch.org/exploration-hour/>

This Week at Big Red

Monday, March 14

- ♦ **5:00pm:** Yoga (Nursery)

Tuesday, March 15

- ♦ **6:00pm:** Church Council
(Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday, March 16

- ♦ **8:00am:** Bible Study (Zoom)
- ♦ **5:00pm:** Yoga (Nursery)
- ♦ **5:30-6:30pm:** Soup Supper Pick-Up
(Fellowship Hall)
- ♦ **6:00pm:** Good Enough Group Study
(Parlor)
- ♦ **6:00pm:** Handbell Rehearsal (Music
Room)
- ♦ **7:00pm:** Chancel Choir Rehearsal
(Sanctuary)
- ♦ Grapeleaf Submissions Due

Thursday, March 17

- ♦ **2:00pm:** Ministry of Outreach
(Zoom)
- ♦ **6:00pm:** Ministry of Worship
(Zoom)

Friday, March 18

- ♦ **5:00pm:** Yoga (Nursery)

Saturday, March 19

- ♦ No Events

Sunday, March 20

- ♦ **9:00am:** Exploration Hour
(Various)
- ♦ **10:00am:** Worship (Sanctuary)

Wednesdays in Lent



Soup Suppers

Pick-Up in the Fellowship Hall

5:30-6:30pm

Good Enough Group Study

In the Parlor with Pastor Raygan

6:00-7:00pm

Every Wednesday Thru April 6

More Information at
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FCCF Open and Affirming Statement

We believe that all people are sacred creations of a loving God. We affirm the diversity that exists among us. We strive to answer the call of Christ by extending his love, compassion and acceptance to everyone. In this spirit, we open our family of faith to people of every religious background, sexual orientation, family composition, physical and mental ability, race, age and gender.

As Christians, we experience God's reconciling love. In response we stand with those who suffer discrimination, isolation and alienation.

We welcome all people to participate fully in our church's life and ministry. We celebrate the variety of talents and perspectives which flow into our spiritual community, continuing to enrich us in ways we could not have predicted or envisioned.