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The Service of Worship Third Sunday of Lent

March 12, 2023

11:00 a.m.

Prelude

Lighting of the Altar Candles

Ringing of the Church Bells

Choral Introit Return to God Choir

Words of Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Leader	Come, all who are thirsty says Jesus, our Lord, taste the living water
	that I shall give.
People	We cry to the Lord, "help us, O Lord."
Leader	The water that Jesus gives will become in those who drink it a spring
	of water that bubbles up into eternal life.
People	Please give us this water that we may never be thirsty again.

*Hymn <u>How Shall They Hear the Word of God</u> #649

Call to Confession (leader)

We have come to worship to praise God, but also we remember our own faults and problems. Let us now turn to God in confession together:

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

God of living waters, we confess that we have often turned from you and wandered in our own wildernesses of fear and doubt. We confess the dryness of our lives: the brittle words we have thought and spoken, the relationships that are crumbling, the arid perspective that centers on self.

Our thirst mounts daily, seeking to be quenched by your redeeming love. Yet, when that love is offered to us, we again turn away, unable to truly believe that you would actually heal and love us. We have behaved in very unloving ways. We have chosen to ignore those in need or to deal only passively with them. Our hearts are not placed in service to others, but rather in self-serving motives. Heal us, merciful God. Wash us again in the living water. Help us be faithful servants. Amen.

Words of Assurance		Valerie Mand
Amen		Choir
Anthem	For God So Loved the World	Choir
Pastoral Prayer		Valerie Mand

The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

Silent Confession

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass 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.

Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Prayer (in unison)

O God, our gifts are so minute in comparison to your bounty. Transform our simple offering into ministries that quench parched lives with the water of eternal life. Nurture our need to share your water and your spirit through the gifts that you have given us so freely. In the name of the One who is the Messiah, we pray. Amen.

*Doxology		#95
*Hymn	For the Healing of the Nations	#428
Scripture	<u>John 4: 4-28A</u>	
Special Music		Kathi Hiett
Message	Leave It Behind	Valerie Mand
*Hymn	This is a day of New Beginnings	#383
Benediction		

*Postlude

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Schedule of Our Opportunities								
Today	9:00 a.m.	Hear	t of Worship in the Social Hall					
	10:00 a.m.	Sund	ay school					
	11:00 a.m.	Worship in the Sanctuary						
		Servi	ce broadcast on <u>wfbr1590.weebly.com/</u> or 1590					
	AM/Facebook Live Stream							
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March 13 th	7:00	p.m.	SPRC Meeting – Social Hall					
March 14 th	10:00 a.m.		Prayer Shawl Meeting – Room #58					
March 15 th	10:00 a.m.		Quilter's Meeting – Ward Room					
March 20 th	7:00 p.m.		Missions Meeting – Social Hall					
March 22 nd	10:00 a.m.		Quilter's Meeting – Ward Room					
March 29 th	10:00	a.m.	Quilter's Meeting – Ward Room					

*** Gentle Reminder: Please make sure that you put your name & offering number on your envelopes. A few have come in unmarked. Thank You!