

Celebration of Worship

Third Sunday of Lent

March 24, 2019

9:30 A.M.

We welcome you to worship. Nursery and Preschool care is available if you need it. The Young are welcomed to the front early on for a special time in the service. Please sign the Friendship Pads so that we can get to know you better, and join us for coffee in the Narthex after the service.

God Invites Us to Worship

PRELUDE *Favorites*

WELCOME

WORKCAMP ANNOUNCEMENT

RINGING THE CHURCH BELL

STILLING

We Offer Praise

WORDS IN PREPARATION

GOD'S PEOPLE PRAY TOGETHER

HYMNS AND SPIRITUAL SONGS

When Israel Was in Egypt Land # 334

As Moses Raised the Serpent Up Insert

God Speaks Through the Word

GOD BLESSES US AS WE BEGIN OUR WORSHIP

WORDS FOR THE YOUNG & THE YOUNG AT HEART

Message *Worship Begins – How and Why?*

The Lord's Prayer (Debts/debtors)

Children in Preschool through Grade 5 are dismissed for Sunday School.

PRAYER FOR GOD'S SPIRIT TO MOVE AMONG US

SCRIPTURE LESSON *Exodus 3:1-12; 4:10-17*

SERMON *The Story of Moses – It Takes a Village*

Rev. Dr. Eileen Borduin Vanderzwan

ART WORK

Pharaoh's Daughter Discovers Baby Moses Hi Qi, artist

Moses and the Burning Bush Yoram Raanan, artist

Moses and the Divided Waters at the Red Sea Natalie Kadresh, artist

*All other artists are unknown

We Experience God's Grace

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (responsively) (Adapted from *Psalm 51*)

One: Have mercy on us, O Gracious One, according to your steadfast love.

All: **According to your abundant kindness, forgive me where my thoughts and deeds have hurt others. Lead me in the paths of justice; guide my steps on paths of peace. Teach me that I may know my weaknesses, the shortcomings that bind me, the unloving ways that separate me, that keep me from recognizing your Life in me.**

One: You have placed your truth in our innermost being; therefore teach us wisdom of the heart.

All: **Forgive all that binds me in fear, that I might radiate love. Create in me a clean heart, O Gracious One, and put a new and right spirit within me. Enfold me in the arms of Love, and fill me with your Holy Spirit. Guide us in the paths of your peace, for Christ's dear sake. Amen.**

FORGIVENESS DECLARED

We Respond to God's Love

OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *I Need Thee Every Hour* Courtney
Chancel Choir

PRAYER OF DEDICATION, THANKSGIVING AND PRAISE

* HYMN *Called as Partners in Christ's Service* # 343

God Sends Us out to Serve

* ANNOUNCEMENTS

* GOD'S BLESSING AS WE GO OUT TO SERVE

* POSTLUDE

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