

March 22, 2020 Fourth Sunday in Lent

THE GATHERING

**PRELUDE**

**Dr. Brenda Clark**

*I Love to Tell the Story*

Diemer/Clark

**WELCOME**

**Rev. Rachel Vione**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

from *Psalms* 23

The Lord is my shepherd. I shall not want.

**You make me lie down in green pastures.**

You lead me beside still waters.

**You restore my soul**

and guide me down paths of righteousness for your name's sake.

**Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,**

**I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff comfort me.**

You prepare a table before me  
in the presence of my enemies.

**You anoint my head with oil; my cup runs over.**

Surely goodness and mercy will follow me all the days of my life,

**and I will dwell in your house, O Lord, forever.**

Let us worship God

## **CALL TO CONFESSION**

### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**In your mercy, forgive what we have been,  
help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight  
in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.**

*Silent Reflection and Confession*

## **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

### **PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

**The peace of Christ be with you.**

**And also with you.**

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

## **THE WORD**

### **SCRIPTURE LESSON**

**Psalm 23**

**This is the Word of the Lord**

**Thanks be to God!**

## **SERMON**

## **THE RESPONSE**

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**The Lord be with you.**

And also with you.

**Let us pray...**

**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 and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## **BENEDICTION**

## **POSTLUDE**

Blest Be the Tie that Binds

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