Payette and Fruitland United Methodist Churches

February 21, 2021

First Sunday of Lent

## Prelude: *God of Grace and God of Glory,* Ancient Welsh tune arranged by Fred Bock

## Welcome

## Interlude: *Down to the River to Pray,* African American spiritual arranged by Sharon Wilson

## *Welcoming the neighborhood to worship*

Call To Worship:

Calling Song *It’s Me, It’s Me, O Lord*  UMH #352

*Refrain:* **It’s me (it’s me, it’s me), O Lord, standing in the need of prayer.**

**It’s me (it’s me, it’s me), O Lord, standing in the need of prayer.**

**Not my brother, not my sister, but it’s me, O Lord.**

**Standing in the need of prayer.**

**Not my brother, not my sister, but it’s me, O Lord.**

**Standing in the need of prayer.**

**It’s me (it’s me, it’s me), O Lord...**

**Not the preacher, not the deacon, but it’s me, O Lord.**

**Standing in the need of prayer.**

**Not the preacher, not the deacon, but it’s me, O Lord.**

**Standing in the need of prayer.**

**It’s me (it’s me, it’s me), O Lord…**

Responsive Reading from Psalm 25:1-5

Leader: In you, Lord, my God, I put my trust.

People: **I trust in you; do not let me be put to shame, do not let my enemies triumph over me.**

Leader: No one who hopes in you will ever be put to shame, but shame will come on those who are treacherous without cause.

All: **Show me your ways, Lord, teach me your paths. Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God, my Savior, and my hope is in you all day long.**

Unison Invocation *A Liturgy for Common Radicals*

**Heavenly Father, we pray you will keep us humble enough to learn from those whom we least expect to be our teachers. Help us to listen for your truth.**

**We pray this in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

Hymn  *Steal Away* UMH #704

**Steal away, steal away; steal away to Jesus.**

**Steal away, steal away home.**

**I ain’t got long to stay here.**

**Green trees a-bending, poor sinners stand a-trembling;**

**The trumpet sounds within-a my soul.**

**I ain’t got long to stay here.**

**Steal away, steal away; steal away to Jesus.**

**Steal away, steal away home.**

**I ain’t got long to stay here**

Old Testament Reading Genesis 9:8-17

New Testament Reading 1 Peter 3:18-22

*God’s Word for God’s people*

**Thanks be to God**

Prayers of the People

Message “The Time Has Come” Mark 1:9-15

Commitment Hymn *There is a Balm in Gilead* UMH #375

*Refrain:* **There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole;**

**There is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.**

**Sometimes I feel discouraged, and think my work’s in vain.**

**But then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again.**

**There is a balm…**

**Don’t ever feel discouraged, for Jesus is your friend,**

**And if you look for knowledge hei’ll ne’er refuse to lend.**

**There is a balm…**

**If you can’t preach like Peter, if you can’t pray like Paul,**

**Just tell the love of Jesus, and say he died for all.**

**There is a balm…**

Benediction

**May the peace of the Lord Jesus go with you   
wherever he may send you.**

**May he guide you through the wilderness,**

**protect you through the storm.**

**May he bring you home rejoicing   
at the wonders he has shown you.**

**May he bring you home rejoicing once again into our doors.**

## Postlude: *Down to the River to Pray/On Jordan’s Stormy Banks,* African-American spiritual arranged by Glenda Austin

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