

First Congregational Church of Winona

United Church of Christ

3rd Sunday of Lent

10:00 a.m.

March 20, 2022

Prelude

Sandy Todd

Invitation to Worship

Rev. Danielle Bartz

Chimes

Call to Worship (based on Isaiah 55 and Psalm 63)

One: Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the water. Come to the wells.

Many: Our souls thirst for you, O God. We lift up our hands and call on your name.

One: Come without money. Come without cost. Incline your ears and listen for good news.

Many: Our flesh faints for you, O God. Our lips sing praises, beholding your glory.

One: Come, eat good. Come, feast upon true riches. Be filled with that which sustains you.

Many: Our souls are satisfied in you, O God. In the shadow of your wings, we sing with joy.

***Morning Prayer** (unison)

Author of abundance, God of change, we come into this hour with holy expectations. As we travel on our journey of transformation this Lenten season, we know that you are with us. You walk beside us. Your presence surrounds us. Help us to bear fruit as we walk this road. Remind us that you will never leave us nor forsake us, that your rod and your staff comfort us, that you have prepared a feast for us where all can come and eat. Keep us forever on the path as we worship you in spirit and in truth. Amen.

***Passing the Peace**

Call for Offering

Anthem

***Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures here below.

Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost! Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication** (unison)

Generous God, we dedicate these gifts for the wondrous ways this offering will bless this community, and for the ways it will help us nurture caring relationships with our neighbors. Let this offering, and the works of our hands and feet, be good fruit in the world. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Genesis 3:8-21

Translation by Rev. Dr. Wilda Gafney

Sermon

"Name and Reclaim"

Pastoral Prayer

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

***Hymn**

"God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens" #556, Black Hymnal

Announcements

Benediction and Blessings

Chimes

Postlude

*As you are comfortably able, please rise in body and Spirit