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Fourth Sunday in Lent



Order of Worship

**Please stand if you are able*

PRELUDE

“Amazing Grace”

UMH 378 vs1-4

LIGHTING OF ALTAR CANDLES

THE SERVICE OF DEMINISHING LIGHTS

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Lindsey

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Colette Barth

Leader: Welcome pilgrims on the way to the cross.

ALL: We are learning to follow Jesus.

Leader: On this Lenten journey, where do we find God’s presence among us?

ALL: One thing we know: God calls us to witness extraordinary love in ordinary moments.

Leader: On this Lenten journey, how does God’s presence work among us?

ALL: One thing we know: God uses the messy and mundane to heal and restore us to one another.

Leader: On this Lenten journey, what does God’s presence do in our midst?

ALL: One thing we know: God opens us to recognize presence, sustenance, and abundance where the world perceives isolation and lack.

Leader: Pilgrims on the way, come let us worship God!

**ALL: We come to worship God as we learn to live inside out!
Amen.**

***GLORIA PATRAI**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

***OPENING PRAYER**

Pastor Lindsey

***HYMN OF PRAISE** “O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing” UMH 57 vs1-4

JOYS AND CONCERNS Pastor Lindsey

PASTORAL PRAYER Pastor Lindsey

THE LORD’S PRAYER Pastor Lindsey

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS Pastor Lindsey

OFFERTORY SONG “Great if Thy Faithfulness” UMH 140 vs1-3

***DOXOLOGY**

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION Colette Barth

Lord, Open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

FIRST READING *Ephesians 5:8-14* Colette Barth

CHILDREN’S SERMON Sarah O’Connor

***HYMN OF PREPARATION** “Lord of the Dance” UMH 261 vs1-5

***GOSPEL** *John 9:1-41* Pastor Lindsey

SERMON Pastor Lindsey

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Colette Barth

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;* the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

***HYMN OF INVITATION** “Be Thou My Vision”

UMH 451 vs1-3

***BENEDICTION**

Pastor Lindsey

***POSTLUDE**

“Open My Eyes”

UMH 454 vs1-3

Worship Leaders
Rev. Lindsey Smith Jr.



<i>Liturgist</i>	<i>Music Leader</i>	<i>Children’s Sermon</i>
Colette Barth	Sarah O’Connor	Sarah O’Connor

<i>Greeters/Ushers</i>
Charla & Bobby Jones

PRAYER REQUESTS

We are here to pray for you!



Mary & Bob Wood	Emily Cheatham	Cheryl Sweet
Mr. & Mrs. Van Wormer	Brian Vandell	Joe Reuss
Dee Ann Smith	Tina Heiser & Candy	Elizabeth Reid
Morin Family	Al Junker	Roger Junker
Steve Urbanovsky	Lisa Langton	Perry Vernon
Faye Duckett	Gene Heidaker	Roy Goldman
Ray & Theresa Strickland	David Charbonneau & Family	Angelia Howard
Ron & Shelly	Bonnie Keaton	Freda Nelsson
Pauline Kuecker	Joe Newman	Bob West
Grayson	Marvin & Dorothy Kremling	Welgene Hoffmann
Lisa		