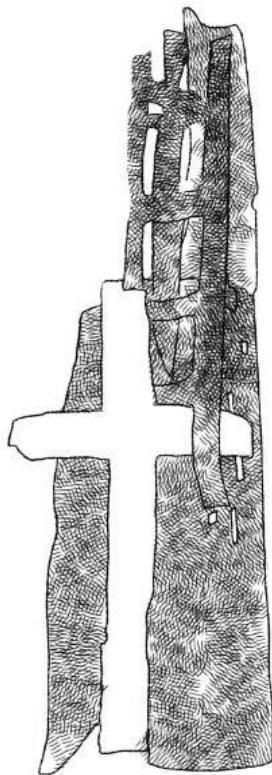


**SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT
FEBRUARY 21, 2016**



Lent—
The path followed.
The cross considered.
The markers on our way.
The markers left behind.
The heavy stones carried.
The ones we lay down.**

Worship – 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School – 10:50 a.m.

PRELUDE

Rosi Penner Kaufman, Accompanist

WELCOME

Aaron Barnhart, Worship Leader

*HYMN #36

God of our strength

Following this hymn, please remain standing and welcome those around you.

You may be seated upon hearing the sound of the bell.

CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Psalm 27)

L: The Lord is our light and our salvation: whom shall we fear?

C: **The Lord is the stronghold of our lives; of whom shall we be afraid?**

L: One thing we ask of the Lord, one thing we seek;

C: **We seek to live in the house of the Lord all the days of our lives, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in the Lord's temple.**

HYMN #111 st. 1-4

O praise the gracious power

CHILDREN'S TIME

Ruth Harder

GOSPEL READING

Luke 13:31-35

EPISTLE READING

Philippians 3:17-4:1

HYMN STS #39 st. 1, 2

LENTEN REFLECTIONS: WHY (WHY NOT) CHRISTIAN?

Sara Mwagura

HYMN STS #39 st. 3 and optional stanzas

Aaron Barnhart

ANTHEM

Tune my Heart

Pickett

Jesse Gruber, violin

Please reserve expressions of appreciation for Community Building time.

COMMUNITY BUILDING TIME

SILENT REFLECTION

SHARING JOY

We welcome the introduction of guests and visitors during this time. One way we get to know one another is by signing the friendship registers. Once the register reaches the center aisle, please pass it back to the outer aisle.

SHARING CONCERNS

PRAYING TOGETHER

Slips of paper are available in the attendance register for those who wish to offer joys and concerns silently and anonymously. These papers, if put in the offering plate, will be placed in the prayer bowl at the back of Wesley Room (east side of sanctuary).

OFFERING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*HYMN (see insert)

O God of Light



Children in K - 5th grade are dismissed for WorshipArts (Room 114), a time for children to respond to worship, ask questions and learn more about the language, ritual, movement, sound and art incorporated in worship.

*SENDING FORTH

- L: Here we are Lord, your church, uncertain, on an ever changing journey.
C: **Show us your path.**
L: Here we are, longing to know your way.
C: **Guide us to follow you.**
L: Here we are, desiring your comfort.
C: **Help us to hear your voice.**
All: **Here we are, God; lead us according to your will.**

*POSTLUDE

* Please stand as you are able.

Unless otherwise indicated, hymns are in the blue *Hymnal: A Worship Book*.

Songs designated “STS” are in the purple *Sing the Story* hymnal.

**Provided by the Rainbow Visual Arts Committee to go along with the visual displays at the front of the Sanctuary and back of Wesley Room. The metal cross sculpture was a project completed by Arlie Regier and his youth Sunday school class many years ago.

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