

February 28, 2021

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent

10:30 a.m.

A Video Salute to Pioneers in Methodism in Honor of Black History

Call to Worship

As we gather today, the Word reminds us that God is Spirit, and they who worship God should do so in spirit and in truth.

**With our joys and concerns, our worries and dreams, our questions and longings, we come together in faith seeking answers in God's holy word.**

So, in faith we pray. With our love, we praise...

**And with hope in Christ, the Living Word, we worship God who is our refuge and strength.**

Prayer

God, we do delight in your ways and find refreshing in your spirit. Join us here today, guide us through the exclamation of your word, the singing of your praises, and the joining of hearts and hands in mission. Nourish our faith so that we may bear fruit that witnesses to you. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Hymn

**"O Word of God Incarnate"**

O Word of God incarnate, O Wisdom from on high, O Truth unchanged, unchanging,  
O Light of our dark sky: we praise you for the radiance that from the hallowed page,  
a lantern to our footsteps, shines on from age to age.

The church from you, our Savior, received the gift divine, and still that light is lifted  
o'er all the earth to shine. It is the sacred vessel where gems of truth are stored; it is the  
heaven-drawn picture of Christ, the living Word.

The Scripture is a banner before God's host unfurled; it is a shining beacon above the darkling  
world. It is the chart and compass that o'er life's surging tide, mid mists and rocks and  
quicksands, to you, O Christ, will guide.

Words: William W. How, 1867; Music: Gesangbuch, Meiningen, 1693; harm. by Felix Mendelssohn, 1847 CCLI 11406300

Offertory Prayer

God, you have given us all that we have. In faithfulness to your word, we return to you a small portion of what you have given us. We pray that these offerings will be pleasing to you. May they help us bear witness to the Living Word, Jesus, who offered up his life for us. Amen.

### Proclamation of God's Word

Old Testament Reading

Psalm 1:1-3

Common English Bible © 2011

The truly happy person doesn't follow wicked advice, doesn't stand on the road of sinners, and doesn't sit with the disrespectful. Instead of doing those things, these persons love the LORD's Instruction, and they recite God's Instruction day and night! They are like a tree replanted by streams of water, which bears fruit at just the right time and whose leaves don't fade. Whatever they do succeeds.

**L: The Word of God for the people of God C: Thanks be to God!**

Special Music

"Ancient Words"

St. Paul Quartet

Sermon

"Scripture: The Firm Foundation"

Gabrielle Irizarry

Call to Discipleship/ Prayer

## Sending Forth

Hymn

“Thy Word”

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.  
When I feel afraid, think I've lost my way, still you're there right beside me,  
and nothing will I fear as long as you are near. Please be near me to the end.  
Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.  
Now I will not forget your love for me and yet my heart forever is wandering.  
Jesus, be my guide and hold me to your side, and I will love you to the end.  
Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

Words: Amy Grant, 1984; Music: Michael W. Smith, 1984; arr. by Keith Phillips © 1984; Meadowgreen Music Co./Bug and Bear Music  
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Benediction

Response to Benediction

“Let the Church Say Amen”

Let the Church say amen. Let the church say amen. God has spoken. Let the church say amen. (2x)

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Postlude

“Wondrous Love” ~ Harmon



Have you missed seeing and talking one another on Sunday mornings? Here's a remedy: **Virtual Fellowship Time!** *Right after the online worship service, you will be able to visit with one another on Zoom.* Laura Fisher is your hostess. You may join in using your computer, tablet, iPad, smart phone or telephone. The access link is:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86937173156?pwd=YXByYkhNZyt0OW9TZDNNb3dQOU5lQT09> OR dial in +1 929 436 2866; Meeting ID: 869 3717 3156; Passcode: 593989

**Virtual Fellowship Time** will be open for about 40 minutes each Sunday in Lent. Join in as you can. So grab a cup of coffee, tea, cocoa or whatever you like, stop in to chat and visit!

Then have some lunch and join Pastor Gerrie as she leads the **Purple Theory Study** at 1 pm on Zoom. *The study guide was included in the Lenten kit.* You may join in using your computer, tablet, iPad, smart phone or telephone. The access link for this group is:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88576603541?pwd=NUZrVUI3RU5UeDV6Q1c0TVM5cUwrdz09> OR dial in +1 929 436 2866; Meeting ID: 885 7660 3541; Passcode: 783704

The Women's Ministry of Parkway Baptist Church is sponsoring **“Guarding Your Heart: The State of Women's Hearts”** on February 28 at 2 pm on Zoom. The Guest Speaker is Dr. Carla J. Cooke, Founder & Director of Sanctuary of Hope & Healing Counseling Center

Zoom link: <https://bit.ly/2YXbjOn> Meeting ID: 6115459179; Passcode: rH82vx

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... for all the cards and good wishes I received for my 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.  
I appreciate your thoughtfulness! ~ Allen Flood

**Meetings This Week** on Zoom: Virus Response Team - March 3 at 7 pm; Choir - March 4 at 7 pm.  
**Next Week:** Communications - March 7 at 3 pm