

The Church at Worship

* Invitation to stand if able Congregational responses are **BOLDED**

Prelude *Prière, from Suite Gothique Op. 25* Leon Boellmann



Welcome/Life of the Fellowship

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Introit *I Will Give you Rest*

Barbara Boertje

Together, We Come to God

Call to Worship

People of God, are you ready to go on a journey?

How will we know the way?

The One who calls you will lead you.

What are we to bring on the journey?

An open heart, a trusting soul, and courage.

Where will this journey take us?

Into the river and down many pathways
into the very heart of God.

We are ready. Let the journey begin.

***Hymn: #338** *Let all things now living*

Opening Prayer

Holy Creator, in you our Lenten journey begins.

And each one's journey leads to you.

Darkness is not dark if we have you.

The journey is not long if you are near.

Nothing can frighten us if, at every turn, your Spirit is before us.

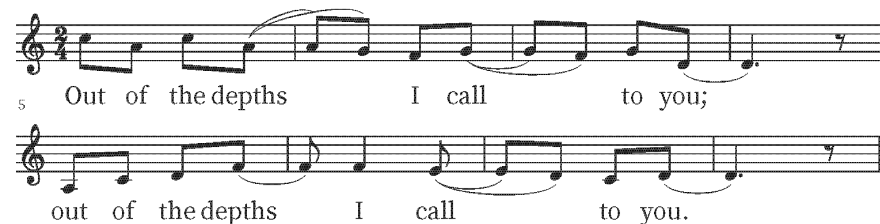
May we so shine with our devotion to you

and this holy journey that those we meet will be drawn

to your light and walk in your way,

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*** Sung Response**



God Speaks to Us

Scripture Readings **HEBREW BIBLE** **Genesis 9:8-17**

PSALM 25:1-10 Responsive with sung refrain
(Please see insert)

Musical Reflection *Steal Away* arr. Moses Hogan

Epistle Reading **1 Peter 3: 18-22**

Bible Quest Invitation **Hymn # 704 vs 1**

*Teach me, God, to wonder; teach me, God to see;
let your world of beauty capture me.*

Children's Time Noah and the Ark

*** Gospel Reading** Mark 1:9-15

Sermon The path through wilderness and water

Rev. Paula Papky

We Respond to God

*** Hymn of Response** **#654** *O God of Bethel, by whose hand*

*** Dedication Hymn** **# 637, vs 1**

*Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.*

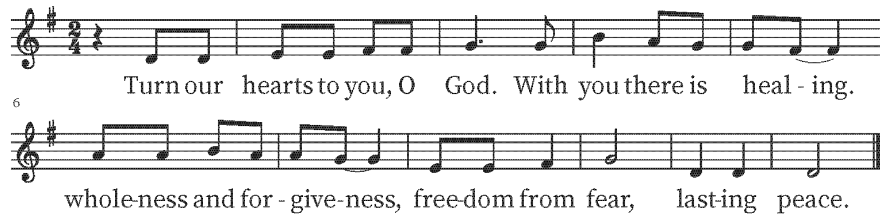
Blessing of the Offering

Pastoral Prayer

*** Closing Hymn** **#651** *Guide me, O thou great Redeemer*

*** Benediction**

Sung Blessing



Postlude *Ashokan Farewell*

Jay Ungar

NOTES

***Go into the world with God's blessing and
peace in your heart.***

**THANK YOU to all the people who offer, freely, their time and talent
without whom today's worship service would not be possible.**

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Pathways Through Lent 1



*Jesus said, come enter deeply,
let the healing river flow
I will hold you and enfold you
and will never let you go.*

Paula Papky (excerpt)

*MacNeill Baptist Church acknowledges the traditional territory upon which we
gather as a community of faith, that territory of the Anishinaabe and the
Haudenosaunee peoples. We seek a new relationship with the Original Peoples of
this land, one based in peace, friendship, and respect.*

*Acknowledging territory is a beginning and not an ending in terms
of our work towards truth and reconciliation. We hope that this
acknowledgement will be a springboard towards a deeper
relationship with all Indigenous peoples we meet.*

