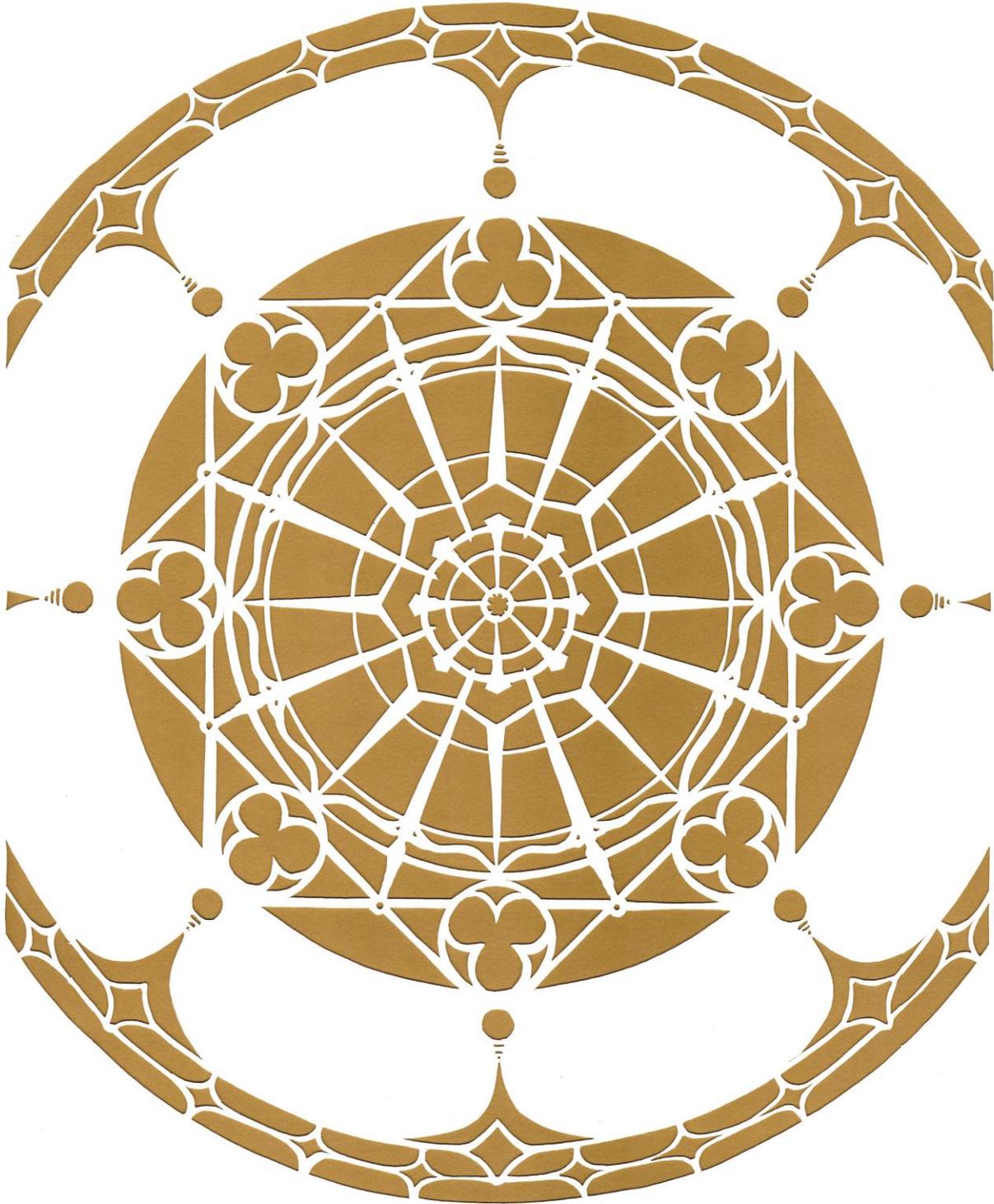


Covenant Community Church



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First Sunday in Lent

March 6, 2022

We Gather

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Leader: Jesus went to the mountaintop to pray.

People: Jesus went into the city to heal.

Leader: Jesus walked to Samaria to extend love.

People: Jesus went to the water's edge to teach.

Leader: but Jesus also went to the wilderness.

People: There is nowhere we can go

Leader: that God does not walk with us.

People: We are in God's house.

Leader: Let us worship Holy God.

*Confession

Call to Confession

Friends, we worship a God who doesn't keep score and doesn't hold grudges. We worship a God who invites us into a richer faith, a deeper love, a more compassionate existence with a million chances to try again. So let us speak truth into our lives, asking for God's help where we need it. Let us pray the prayer of confession together.

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, when we think that expansive life is about power—Teach us a new way. Gracious Creator, when we think that expansive life is about material wealth—Teach us a new way.

Gracious Author, when we think that expansive life is about control—Teach us a new way. Teach us to live as you live. Teach us to love as you love. Forgive us when we don't. Gratefully we pray, amen.

Words of Forgiveness

Siblings in Christ, no matter how many times we mess up, no matter how far we wander, no matter how lost we feel, God's grace is full to the brim. It overflows in desert places. It finds us where we are and it covers us in mercy.

Hear and believe this good news—God's love is overflowing. We are drenched in mercy. **Thanks be to God, amen.**

*Opening Hymn #435

Day by Day and with Each Passing Moment

*Opening Prayer

We Hear the Word

*Scripture

Luke 4:1-13

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

We Respond

Interlude

*Hymn #215

Christ Jesus Knew a Wilderness

Prayers of the People

Pastoral Prayer

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Prayer of Dedication

Communion Hymn #551

As We Gather at Your Table

Communion

Leader . . . We join our voices with saints and angels and all the faithful of every time and place, singing,

People: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Leader . . . Remembering your gracious acts, we offer our lives to you in service and praise as we keep the feast the Christ prepares:
Bread of heaven, Cup of salvation. Resurrection and life.

People: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Leader . . . all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, now and forever.

People: Amen

We Are Sent into the World

*Closing Hymn #608

God of Grace and God of Glory

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

The Lord bless you and keep you,
The Lord make his face to shine upon you
and be gracious, gracious, gracious to you,
the Lord lift up his countenance upon you,
And give you, give you, give you peace.

Leader: Go in Peace. Love and serve the Lord!

People: Praise be to God!

*Denotes all who are able, please stand

Helping Us Worship

Minister to the Congregation:

Music Leader:

Scripture Reader:

Rev. Jeannette Conner

Peter Olson

Lynn Conner

Luke 4:1-13 New Living Translation

Then Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan River. He was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, ² where he was tempted by the devil for forty days. Jesus ate nothing all that time and became very hungry.

³ Then the devil said to him, “If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to become a loaf of bread.”

⁴ But Jesus told him, “No! The Scriptures say, ‘People do not live by bread alone.’”

⁵ Then the devil took him up and revealed to him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. ⁶ “I will give you the glory of these kingdoms and authority over them,” the devil said, “because they are mine to give to anyone I please. ⁷ I will give it all to you if you will worship me.”

⁸ Jesus replied, “The Scriptures say,

‘You must worship the LORD your God
and serve only him.’”

⁹ Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, to the highest point of the Temple, and said, “If you are the Son of God, jump off! ¹⁰ For the Scriptures say,

‘He will order his angels to protect and guard you.

¹¹ And they will hold you up with their hands
so you won’t even hurt your foot on a stone.’”

¹² Jesus responded, “The Scriptures also say, ‘You must not test the LORD your God.’”

¹³ When the devil had finished tempting Jesus, he left him until the next opportunity came.

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