

March 8, 2009

Lectionary Readings

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16 God makes a covenant with Abram and Sarai, gives them new names, and promises them a multitude of descendents.
 Psalm 22:23-31 The psalmist praised the Lord for help in the past and anticipates continued presence in the future.
 Romans 4:13-25 Abraham received God's promise through faith, which preceded the law.
 Mark 8:31-38 Jesus rebukes Peter and calls his followers to lose their lives.

Call to Worship

The journey of Lent—
—is a journey inward, to examine our hearts.
 The journey of faith—
—is a journey of trust, following God's promises.
 The journey of life—
—is a journey outward, spending our lives for the sake of love.

Hymns for the Day

	PH	EH	ELW	UMH	NCH	VU	STF	SNC	TFBF	HFTG
Hymns of Praise										
The God of Abraham Praise	488	401	831	116	24					
Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus!		495		325						
Source and Sovereign, Rock and Cloud				113						
Old Testament										
Deep in the Shadow of Our Past	330				320					
O Sing a New Song to the Lord	216, 472		822			241		224		
Bless Now O God						633	2191			
Epistle										
O Love of God, How Strong and True		455, 456								
O Love How Deep	83	448, 449	322	267	209	348				
Eternal Lord of Love			321							
Gospel										
Make Our Church One Joyful Choir										1
Take Up Your Cross	393	675	667	415	204	561				
Weary of All Trumpeting		572								
Communion										
Draw Nigh and Take the Body of the Lord		327,328								
Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether	504		470	632	337	479				
Sending										
To Abraham and Sarah						634				
Guide My Feet	354								153	
Lead Me, Guide Me									70	

Second Sunday in Lent

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Prayer of Confession

Faithful God, you call us to trust in your promises, as you invited Abraham and Sarah.
In Jesus Christ, you call us to take up our cross and follow, as he invited his disciples.
We are quick to make excuses, afraid of the unknown,
afraid of the hard work of discipleship.
We are cautious; embarrassed to share the good news.
Forgive us, we pray.
Give us the courage that comes from knowing that you walk with us.

Psalm Settings

Psalm 22:23-31 Metrical

"All ye that Fear God's Holy Name" RL 88
 "I Come with Praise Before the Lord" PCW 33

Responsorial

"Praise the Lord" P 17
 "I Will Praise You, Lord" PCY10 8
 "I Will Praise You, Lord" PRCL 56

Contemporary Songs

"God It Was" John Bell/Graham Maule *Love From Below*
 "I Will Praise You, Lord" (Psalm 22) Malcolm Kogut *Psalms for the Church Year (Celebration), Vol. 10, GIA*
 "One More Step" Sydney Carter *Common Ground*
 "Bless the Lord, My Soul" Jacques Berthier *Songs and Prayers from Taizé*
 "Wonder and Stare" John Bell *Come, All You People*
 "With God, All Things Are Possible" John Bell/Graham Maule *Heaven Shall Not Wait*
 "Take Up Your Cross" Kinley Lange *Lift Up Your Hearts*

Global Songs

"Lo I Am With You to the End of the World" (Scotland) TOAU 44
 "Come Soon, Lord, Save Me" (Pakistan) STB 86
 "Lord, Have Mercy" (Singapore) STB 118

Anthems for Larger Choirs

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" Hal H. Hopson, MSM MSM-50-3058, SATB
 "Crucifixus (a 8)" Antonio Lotti, ECS 1192, SSAATTBB
 "Lord, For Thy Tender Mercy's Sake" Richard Farrant, OXF 0193531097, SATB

Anthems for Smaller/Youth Choirs

"Seed that in Earth Is Dying" Ellingboe, Aug (978-0-8006-3884-9), SAB, keyboard
 "Take Up Your Cross" Hopson, Aug (978-0-8006-5450-4), 2-part mixed, keyboard
 "Take Up Your Cross" Shippey, Hinshaw (HMC2073), 2-part mixed, piano, opt. hammered dulcimer

Anthems for Children's Choirs

"Be Not Far" Michael Birkley, 2-part, GIA G-5107
 "Glory Be to Jesus" Michael Burkhardt, opt. 2/3 part/Orff instr., MSM 50-6068
 "How Blest Are They" Richard Proulx, flute, ACL 11-0654
 "A Lenten Prayer" Robert J. Powell, flute, CGA 159

Handbell Music

"My Song Is Love Unknown" Arr. Gregg L. Brandon, Flammer, #HP5458 4-5 oct. handbells and opt. 3-4 oct. hand chimes, full score #HP5459 with solo violin and solo cello, L3
 "He Leadeth Me" William Bradbury/Arr. Arnold B. Sherman, Agape, #2369, 3-6 oct. handbells with opt. 3-5 oct. hand chimes, L3-
 "O God, Our Faithful God" J.S. Bach/ed. & Arr. Martha Lynn Thompson, MorningStar, MSM-30-827, 305 oct., L3

Organ Music

"Leoni" Kristina Langlois, *Miniatures and Interpretations for Organ*, AF (E-M)
 "Leoni" Timothy Albrecht, *Grace Notes X*, AF (E-M)
 "Leoni" *Hymn Preludes for the Church Year*, Vol. 6, Flor Peeters, PE (M)
 "Hearken, Merciful Creator" *16 Chorales: Le Tombeau de Titelouze*, Marcel Dupré, HWG (E+)