## **Faith United Methodist Church**

## **Villains & Vices:**



March 22, 2020

11:00 am



Fourth Sunday in Lent

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sin and speaks words of mercy. **God's love endures** forever.

Hymn

Take My Life and Let It Be

#399

**Opening Prayer** 

**Old Testament Reading** 

Genesis 4:1-16

OT3

Now the man knew his wife Eve, and she conceived and bore Cain, saying, 'I have produced a man with the help of the Lord.' Next she bore his brother Abel. Now Abel was a keeper of sheep, and Cain a tiller of the ground. In the course of time Cain brought to the Lord an offering of the fruit of the ground, and Abel for his part brought of the firstlings of his flock, their fat portions. And the Lord had regard for Abel and his offering, but for Cain and his offering he had no regard. So Cain was very angry, and his countenance fell. The Lord said to Cain, 'Why are you angry, and why has your countenance fallen? If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin is lurking at the door; its desire is for you, but you must master it.' Cain said to his brother Abel, 'Let us go out to the field.' And when they were in the field, Cain rose up against his brother Abel and killed him. Then the Lord said to Cain, 'Where is your brother Abel?' He said, 'I do not know; am I my brother's keeper?' And the Lord said, 'What have you done? Listen; your brother's blood is crying out to me from the ground! And now you are cursed from the ground, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother's blood from your hand. When you till the ground, it will no longer yield to you its strength; you will be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth.' Cain said to the Lord, 'My punishment is greater than I can bear! Today you have driven me away from the soil, and I shall be hidden from your face; I shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth, and anyone who meets me may kill me.' Then the Lord said to him, 'Not so! Whoever kills Cain will suffer a sevenfold vengeance.' And the Lord put a mark on Cain, so that no one who came upon him would kill him. Then Cain went away from the presence of the Lord, and settled in the land of Nod. east of Eden.

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Here I Am, Lord

Hymn

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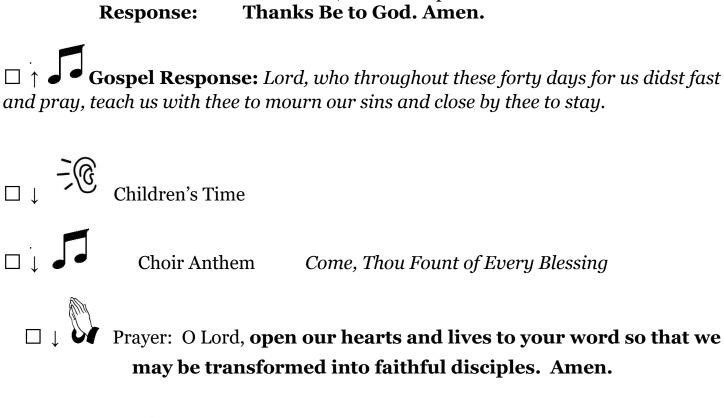
Epistle Reading Ephesians 4:25-5:2 NT 194

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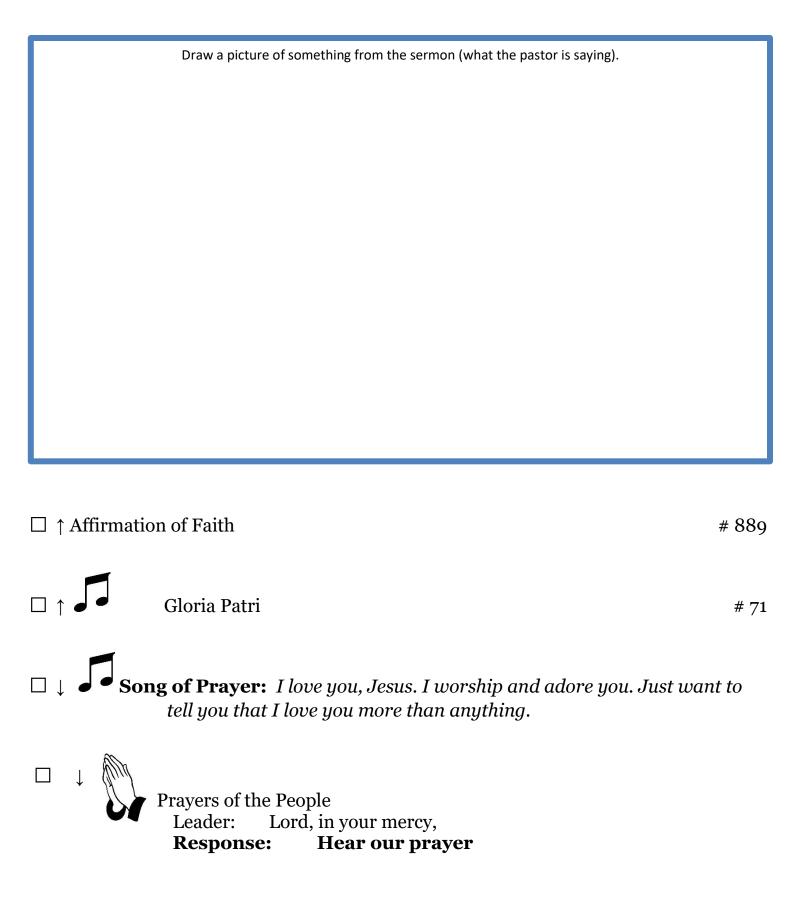
So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbours, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labour and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away

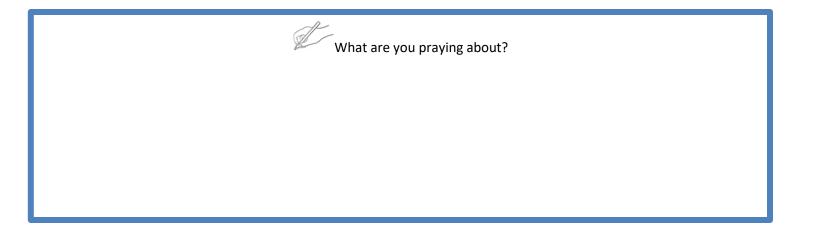
from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Leader: The Word of God, for the People of God Thanks Be to God. Amen.



Witness "Villains & Vices: Anger" Pastor Christie





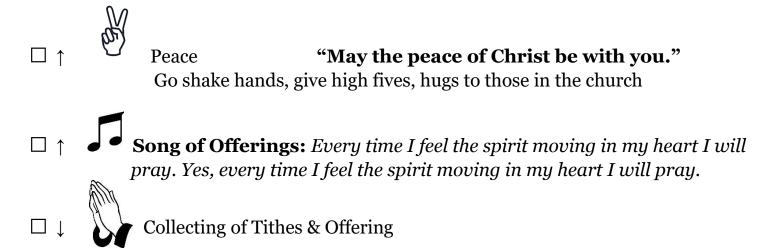
Confession & Pardon

We have failed to love our neighbors, their offences to forgive,
have not listened to their troubles, nor have cared just how they live, we are jealous,
proud, impatient, loving over much our things;
may the yielding of our failings be our Lenten offerings.
We are hasty to judge others, blind to proof of human need;
and our lack of understanding demonstrates our inner greed;
we have wasted earth's resources; want and suffering we've ignored; come and cleanse
us; then restore us; make new hearts within us Lord!

Hear the Good News. It is never too late to turn to God to ask forgiveness. God's love endures forever. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

[Silent Prayer]

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Glory to God! Amen.



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Happy Spring! See you next Sunday!