



PARKDALE
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First Sunday in Lent



Jesus Being Tested in the
Wilderness

February 21, 2021 10:30 am
Sunday Worship Service (Virtual)
Worship Leaders: Rev. Dr. Anthony Bailey,
Rev. Alcris Limongi, Huda Kandalaf Kanawati
Musician: Debbie McGregor

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Welcome to Parkdale! We hope that this service will be a blessing to you wherever you are. We welcome all to join us in worship!

We are glad you've joined us to celebrate the mystery and gift of God's love for the world in the gift of Jesus Christ, a rich Christian tradition, and a loving community of faith. We hope that in this time of worship you will experience at least a moment when God, who is Love, encourages you in faith, and breaks through the realities of everyday life surrounding you with the assurance of peace and joy which God so wants us to experience.

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Our Vision Statement:

“To form followers of Jesus in such a way as to transform our community and our world.”

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BLACK HISTORY MONTH

First Sunday in Lent

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP...

Stewardship Thought: "I want Jesus to walk with me...All along my pilgrim journey." (*African American Spiritual*)

Lighting the Worship Candle Dr. Bailey

Prelude: Debbie McGregor

Welcome and Gathering Words Dr. Bailey

Silence

Call to Worship Dr. Bailey/Rev. Limongi

One: We come on this first Sunday of Lent to worship the God that walks with us through every challenge.

Many: We come to remember what Jesus did when he was faced with the wilderness.

One: We come to worship the God whose wisdom teaches the necessity of wilderness experiences for you and me.

Many: When we are walking through the wilderness, we are not alone, God is with us!

One: We come on this first Sunday in Lent, to worship God, who gives us strength for every journey, and courage for every test! Let us worship God.

Gathering Prayer: Dr. Bailey

- 1 Jesus, tempted in the desert,
lonely, hungry, filled with dread:
'Use your power,' the tempter tells him;
'turn these barren rocks to bread!'
'Not alone by bread,' he answers,
'can the human heart be filled.
Only by the Word that calls us
is our deepest hunger stilled!'
- 2 Jesus, tempted at the temple,
high above its ancient wall:
'Throw yourself from lofty turret;
angels wait to break your fall!'
Jesus shuns such empty marvels,
feats that fickle crowds request:
'God, whose grace protects, preserves us,
we must never vainly test.'
- 3 Jesus, tempted on the mountain
by the lure of vast domain:
'Fall before me! Be my servant!
Glory, fame, you're sure to gain!'
Jesus sees the dazzling vision,
turns his eyes another way:
'God alone deserves our homage!
God alone will I obey!'
- 4 When we face temptation's power,
lonely, struggling, filled with dread,
Christ, who knew the tempter's hour,
come and be our living bread.
By your grace, protect, preserve us
lest we fall, your trust betray.
Yours, above all other voices,
be the Word we hear, obey.

Call to Reconciliation

Rev. Limongi

God looks at us and sees all of us. In contrast to our incomplete view of ourselves, God sees everything within us. Made in the image of God, God sees past our worst faults and sin to the healing, grace and mercy that restores our brokenness and disobedience. Our prayers of confession help us to step into God's ocean of forgiveness. And so we pray together saying,

Confessing Together

God of startling grace, on this first Sunday in Lent, we confess that too often we have elevated the trappings of this world above you; foolishly making idols of possessions and people. Too often, we have permitted misguided priorities and our schedules to come before You. Forgive us, O God. You have entrusted to us a ministry of love, witness, peace, justice and reconciliation. As you well know, we have not always stewarded these assignments faithfully. Thank you for calling us back, for not giving up on us, and giving us what we need to rise up and to not be afraid. We need you to journey with us and uphold us in this season of Lent. And so, please strengthen us for our Lenten journey. We pray and thank you, in the name of Jesus. Amen

Words of Forgiveness and Refrain: "*Lord Have Mercy*"

Dr. Bailey

(Michael W. Smith)

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Silence

Time with Children and Youth

Huda Kandalaft (*recorded*)

Hymn:

"Jesus Loves Me"

VU#365

**1 Jesus loves me, this I know,
for the Bible tells me so;
little ones to him belong,
in his love we shall be strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.**

2 Jesus loves me, this I know,
as he loved so long ago,
taking children on his knee,
saying, 'Let them come to me.' R

3 Jesus loves me still today,
walking with me on my way,
wanting as a friend to give
light and love to all who live. R

Type: Words and Music; First Line: Jesus loves me! This I know

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WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

First Lesson: Genesis 9:8-17

Jill Williams- Priddie (*recorded*)

Responsive Lesson: Psalm 25:1-10

Dr. Bailey/Rev. Limongi

One: In you, Lord my God, I put my trust.

Many: I trust in you; do not let me be put to shame, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

One: No one who hopes in you will ever be put to shame,
but shame will come on those who are treacherous without cause.

Many: Show me your ways, Lord, teach me your paths.

One: Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my
Saviour, and my hope is in you all day long.

**Many: Remember, Lord, your great mercy and love, for they are
from of old.**

One: Do not remember the sins of my youth and my rebellious ways;
according to your love remember me, for you, Lord, are good.

**Many: Good and upright is the Lord; therefore he
instructs sinners in his ways.**

One: He guides the humble in what is right and teaches them his
way.

Many: All the ways of the Lord are loving and faithful

Silence

Gospel Lesson: Mark 1:9 -15

Huda Kandalajt (recorded)

Anthem: ***“Gracious Spirit, Heavenly Dove”***

Joan Scott, Sahana Asokan

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Message: ***“Testing 1, 2...40”***

Dr. Bailey

WE RESPOND IN FAITHFULNESS

The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Dr. Bailey

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Announcements

Anthony/Alcris/Huda

Musical Reflection:

Debbie McGregor

*Dedication of Tithes and Offerings

Dr. Bailey

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

Rev. Limongi

***Our Father, who art in Heaven,
Hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and let us not fall into temptation, but deliver us from evil;
for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen***

AND WE GO OUT TO SERVE AND BLESS

*Hymn

All the Way my Saviour Leads Me

VU#635

- 1 All the way my Saviour leads me;
what have I to ask beside?
Can I doubt his tender mercy
who through life has been my guide?
Heavenly peace, divinest comfort,
here by faith in him to dwell,
for I know, whate'er befall me,
Jesus doeth all things well.

- 2 All the way my Saviour leads me,
cheers each winding path I tread,
gives me grace for every trial,
feeds me with the living bread.
Though my weary steps may falter,
and my soul athirst may be,
gushing from the rock before me,
lo, a spring of joy I see!

- 3 All the way my Saviour leads me;
O the fullness of his love!
Perfect rest to me is promised
in my Father's house above.
When my spirit, clothed, immortal,
wings its flight to realms of day,
this my song through endless ages,
'Jesus led me all the way!'

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*Blessing and Sending Forth

Dr. Bailey

Musical Blessing

Debbie McGregor