

March 6, 2022
Lent One

Welcome

Gathering: VU 111 As the Sun with Longer Journey

Candle

God of wilderness wanderings, when we are lost or feel alone, when we lose hope and our faith falters, you are there ready to guide and inspire us. As we follow Jesus' footsteps on our Lenten journey may we be open to your comforting and yet challenging presence among us. May we walk in light together with unity of heart and purpose as people of faith, hope and courage. Amen

Call to Worship

Who makes the desert bloom? **It is God who makes the desert bloom.** Who turns stones to bread? **It is God who turns stones to bread.** How shall we offer thanks to God? **We will offer the best of what we have been given.**
Come, let us worship God.

Opening Prayer

Shape this moment with us, O God of Lent. **Call us again in this time of challenge, O God of questions.** Journey with us once more through this land, O God of wilderness, **and speak to us of ancient promises breaking open once more.** This is our journey, O God, and you are our guide. **May we travel together, loving and supporting one another along the way. Amen.**

Hymn: MV 78 God Weeps

Prayers for Grace & Transformation

Words of Assurance

Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty. "With long life I will satisfy them," God says, "and show them my salvation." Know that God loves you, and will care for you always. Thanks be to God. Amen.

The Peace

Scripture

Prayer for Illumination

First Testament: Deuteronomy 26: 1-11
Psalm 91: VU page 807
Gospel-Évangile **Luke 4 : 1-13**

*** Confitemini Domino quoniam bonus. Confitemini Domino, alleluia. Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You alone, O Lord, are holy. Come and fill our hearts with your peace, alleluia.**

Reflection

Hymn: VU 375 Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

Invitation to the offering/Doxology (VU541)

Offertory Prayer

Announcements

Holy Communion - Insert

Prayers of Hope/Lord's Prayer

*** MV 73 O God, Why Are You Silent? (vs1)**

Benediction/Commissioning

Hymn: MV 30 It's a Song of Praise to the Maker

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Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, ² where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. Luke 4: 1,2