** Grace St. Paul’s United Methodist Church**

Sunday Service 10:30 a.m.

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3rd Sunday in Lent March 12, 2023

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING THE PEACE: May the Peace of Christ be with you!

 **And also with you!**

\*OPENING HYMN **“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”**

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Rend your hearts and not your clothing, return to the Lord your God for he is gracious and merciful.

**People: In returning and rest we shall be saved, in quietness and trust we will be strengthened.**

Leader: Seek the Lord in all that you do, exalt him as your greatest treasure, and he will exalt you.

**People: You, O God, are our most inner longing, and our most ardent desire.**

Leader: May we one day dwell in the house of the Lord forever, and gaze upon the beauty of the Lord.

**People: The Lord is faithful, and his words are true; he does not forsake those who seek him. We rejoice in the presence of our God.**

**Both: Amen**

PRAYER OF PETITION

**Everlasting God, because of your tender mercy toward all people, you sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon himself our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all should follow the example of his great humility. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of his patience and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jeus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON *Isaiah 60:1-3*

EPISTLE LESSON *Romans 6:1-11*

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING

 Offertory

 \*Doxology

CHOIR PRESENTATION

\*HYMN OF PREPARATION **“O Jesus, I Have Promised”**

SERMON *We Wish to See Jesus.*

 *(John 12:20-26)*

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

\*CLOSING HYMN “**Jesus Calls Us”**

\*BENEDICTION

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE **“Sent Forth by God’s Blessing (v.1)”** No.664

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

* Lenten Service Wednesday at 5:00 p.m.