Welcome to the Middleburg-Rectortown Cooperative Parrish Online Service!

No matter where you have been or where you have failed to be — what you have said or what you have failed to say - what you have done or what you have failed to do - whom you have loved or whom you have failed to love - you are welcome here.

ENTRANCE

PRELUDE - let us quiet our minds, hearts, and spirits as we begin to focus on the presence of God as we become aware of the *Light of Christ* in our midst.

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS and CELEBRATIONS

MUSIC SELECTION Redeemed – Big Daddy Weave

CALL TO WORSHIP (adapted from the Abingdon Worship Annual, 2020)

L: Holy, holy, holy.

P: Holy God is here.

L: Holy, holy, holy.

P: Love has called us here.

L: Holy, holy, holy.

P: We gather to worship our holy God.

OPENING PRAYER (adapted from the Abingdon Worship Annual, 2020)

Most loving and gracious God – we come this day, into this sacred moment and this sacred space, aware that your holiness is always around us. As Moses before us, when we turn aside from our daily tasks, and we listen for your holy voice, speak to us in holy mystery. Surround us with your wondrous love, so that we might be wise enough to understand your call and be brave enough to follow your path. These things we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

MUSIC SELECTION Word of God Speak – Mercy Me

YOUNG DISCIPLES' MESSAGE

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

(adapted from FOTW Worship Companion, Yr. A, Vol 2, p. 140)

Holy Spirit, who spoke to Moses from the burning bush, speak to us now in the reading and proclaiming of your word. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 3:1-15

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM READING

105:1-6, 23-26, 45c

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 16:21-28

* Gloria Patri

UMH 70

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

MESSAGE *In the holy presence...*

HYMN We Are Standing On Holy Ground – Sandi Patty lyric video

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

GIVING OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

Offertory Prayer

THANKSGIVING

The Lord's Prayer

UMH 895

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 lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.

Amen.

MUSIC SELECTION Living Hope – Phil Wickham

SENDING FORTH

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This worship service has ended, and now your service begins. As you leave church today, you are entering the mission field.

Questions for Reflection

(adapted from FOTW Worship Companion, Year A, Volume 2, p. 141)

How can your life include a faithful response to Jesus' charge that his followers must "deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me" (Matthew 16:24)?

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