

Sunday 21st. February, 2021 11a.m.

The First Sunday in Lent

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Scripture Sentence

Welcome & Intimations

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

**Merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you
with our whole heart and mind and strength.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy, forgive what we have been,
help us amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be,
that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways
to the glory of your holy name. AMEN.**

Scripture: St. Mark 1:9-15

Hymn 21 Lord, teach me all your ways, (Psalm 25)

- 1 Lord, teach me all your ways,
reveal your paths to me;
and lead me in your saving truth,
show me what I should be.
- 2 Remember, Lord, your love,
your care from ages past;
and in that love remember me,
in kindness hold me fast.
- 3 Forget my youthful faults,
forgive my sinful ways;
within the kindness of your love
remember me always.
- 4 God, who is just and good,
shows all who sin his way:
he leads the humble in right paths,
their teacher day by day.
- 5 All pathways of the Lord,
are kindly, true and sure
to those who keep his covenant
and in his ways endure.

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Sermon

Musical Interlude

Prayer of Intercession and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father which art in heaven,

Hallowed be thy Name.

Thy Kingdom come.

Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:

**For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for
ever. Amen.**

Hymn 644 O Jesus, I have promised

1 O Jesus, I have promised
to serve you to the end;
be now and always near me,
my Master and my Friend:
I shall not fear the battle
if you are by my side,
nor wander from the pathway
if you will be my guide.

2 O let me feel you near me:
the world is ever near;
I see the sights that dazzle,
the tempting sounds I hear;
my foes are ever near me,
around me, and within;
but, Jesus, draw still nearer,
and shield my soul from sin.

3 Oh, let me hear you speaking
in accents clear and still,
above the storms of passion,
the murmurs of self-will;
O speak to reassure me,
to hasten or control;
O speak, and make me listen,
true guardian of my soul.

4 O Jesus, you have promised
to all who follow you,
that where you are in glory
your servant shall be too;
and, Jesus, I have promised
to serve you to the end:
now give me grace to follow,
my Master and my Friend.

John Ernest Bode (1816-1874)

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Benediction

Choral Amen (3-fold.)