Sunday 18th February, 2024 11.00 am The First Sunday in Lent

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Welcome & Intimations

Introit

Call to Worship

Hymn 151 All you works of God, vv. 1,3,4,7

All you works of God,
every mountain, star, and tree,
bless the One who shapes your beauty,
who has caused you all to be
one great song of love and grace,
ever ancient, ever new.
Raise your voices, all you works of God!

Sun and moon: bless your Maker!
Stars of heaven: chant your praise!
Showers and dew: raise up your joyful song!

3 Night and day: bless your Maker! Light and darkness: chant your praise! Lightnings and clouds: raise up your joyful song!

4 All the earth: bless your Maker!
Hills and mountains: chant your praise!
Green things that grow: raise up your joyful song!

7 All who live: bless your Maker!
Men and women: chant your praise!
Servants of God: raise up your joyful song!

Marty Haugen (b. 1950)

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Call to Prayer

Prayer of Approach and Confession

Children's Address

Hymn 145 God made me as I am,

God made me as I am, part of creation's plan. No one else can ever be the part of God's plan that's me.

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Genesis 9:8-17

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.
- 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.

Psalm 25 (ii) vs 4, 5a, 6-10 The Scottish Psalter 1929 Copied from HymnQuest: Copyright Licence Users' Edition HymnQuest ID: 41614

1 Peter 3:18-22 St. Mark 1:9-15

Anthem

Sermon

The Offering (& Sung Doxology: Hymn 807)

Prayer of Intercession & 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

Hymn 125 Lord of all being, throned afar,

ever. Amen.

1 Lord of all being, throned afar, thy glory flames from sun and star; centre and soul of every sphere, yet to each loving heart how near!

- 2 Sun of our life, thy quickening ray sheds on our path the glow of day; Star of our hope, thy softened light cheers the long watches of the night.
- Our midnight is thy smile withdrawn, our noontide is thy gracious dawn, our rainbow arch thy mercy's sign; all, save the clouds of sin, are thine.
 - 4 Lord of all life, below, above, whose light is truth, whose warmth is love, before thy ever-blazing throne we ask no lustre of our own.
 - Grant us thy truth to make us free and kindling hearts that burn for thee, till all thy living altars claim one holy light, one heavenly flame.

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Benediction

Choral Amen (3-fold)