

Sunday March 19, 2023
Lent Four: Created in the Image of God, Shaped by Jesus
Transformed by Light

Prelude

We Gather

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Musical Interlude/Listening to the Holy Spirit

Call to Worship (*based on Psalm 23*)

Leader: The Lord is our shepherd.

People: We shall not want.

Leader: God makes us lie down in green pastures.

People: We shall not want.

Leader: God leads us beside quiet waters.

People: We shall not want.

***All: Restore us through your Holy Spirit,
the love of Jesus Christ,
and the comfort of your presence.***

Opening Prayer

Opening Song: Longing for Light VT #715

We Confess

Leader: Lord, we long for light, but all is darkness, and we walk in deep shadows.

We have driven back justice.

Truth has stumbled in the streets,
and thick darkness is over the people.

We confess our sinful deeds.

We confess to the Lord . . .

(*silent prayer*)

Leader: As everything exposed to the light becomes visible,
we walk from darkness into light.

***All: Open our eyes, Jesus,
that our lives may radiate your glory. Amen.***

We Hear God's Word

Old Testament Scripture:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0b1zK4xpsZQ&ab_channel=GirlNamedTom)

New Testament Scripture: John 9: 1-41 (Reader Group)

Song: Here I am to Worship VT #227

Lenten Meditation: ***Transformed By Light***

Pastor Clare

We Respond

Song of Response: Be Thou My Vision VT #549

Offering our Gifts

Prayers of the People

We are Sent

Sending Song: You Shall Go Out With Joy VT #847

Benediction:

Leader: Go forth and shine, for the Light has come,

People: and the glory of the Lord rises upon us.

Leader: Surely goodness and love will follow us all the days of our lives,

All: and we will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.