

*An asterisk (\*) indicates times when you are invited to stand. Selections in **BOLD** are responses spoken by the congregation.*

**Prelude**

Laura Murach

**Welcome**

Deacon

**Call to Worship**

We may be wandering, feeling as if we have no direction.

**And yet, God is guiding us in the wilderness.**

We may be fearful, wondering what comes next.

**And yet, God is surrounding us with peace.**

Our Lenten journey may feel spiritually arid, aimless, and full of anxiety.

**But the Spirit of Strength will never leave our side.**

**Opening Prayer**

Divine Sojourner: As we saunter far into the wilderness, may your light sustain us. May the questions that fill our minds with doubt drift away into the sands of the journey. May we dig within our souls to remove the prejudices deep within us. However, we wander in this season, may your Holy Glow refocus our attention on our relationship with you and the ways we connect with our siblings. Amen.

**Hymn***Here I Am Lord*

Fr. Daniel Shutte (video)

**Message for All**

Sarah Pradhan (video)

*(Deacons collect Joy/Concern cards.)*

**Scripture**

Deacon

As we hear the words of scripture,

**Let us listen in the words for the Word of God.**

Mark 1: 9-13

Pew Bible, p 867

The grass withers and the flower fades,

**But the Word of God shall stand forever.**

**Message***“Ah Wilderness”*

Marilyn Sponzo

**Song***Let It Be*

(video)

**Prayers of the People**

Lord in your mercy.

**Hear our prayers.**

(over)

### **Disciple's Prayer**

**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 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, now and forever. Amen.**

### **Closing Song**

*God of Grace and God of Glory*

Black Hymnal 436 Verses 1,3,4

### **Charge and Blessing**

**Go forth into the world to serve God with gladness  
Be of good courage; hold fast to that which is good;  
Render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted;  
Support the weak; help the afflicted;  
Honor all people; love and serve God;  
Rejoicing through the power of the Holy Spirit.  
The grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
And the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen.**

### **Parting Song**

*Irish Blessing*

**May the road rise to meet you  
May the wind be ever at you back  
May the sunshine warm upon your face  
And the rain fall soft upon your fields  
And until we meet again  
May God hold you, may God hold you  
Ever in the palm of his hand**

### **Postlude**

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