

**FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT**

**8:30AM & 11:00AM**

**SUNDAY, MARCH 6, 2022**

**\*RINGING OF THE BELL**

**GATHERING** *(Please take a moment to sign the attendance pad and pass it on to your neighbor.)*

**GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRELUDE (UMH#269)** *Land of Rest* P. Gehrig

**BRINGING IN THE LIGHT**

**A JOURNEY FROM DARKNESS TO LIGHT**

**\*OPENING HYMN OF PRAISE UMH#354** *I Surrender All*

**A WORD ABOUT THE WILDERNESS**

**A PRAYER FOR HOPE** *(as a group):*

HEAVENLY FATHER, YOUR SON CONFRONTED THE POWERS OF DARKNESS THAT OBSCURE YOUR COMPASSION AND LOVE FOR ALL CREATION. SO HELP US TO USE THESE DAYS OF THE LENTEN SEASON TO GROW IN BOTH WISDOM AND PRAYER, SO THAT WE MAY WITNESS TO THAT SAVING LOVE PROCLAIMED IN JESUS CHRIST, OUR SAVIOR. AMEN.

**A WORD TO THE CHILDREN** *Heather Connor/video*

**SPECIAL MUSIC** *The Old Rugged Cross* Bennard  
*(Charles Gatch, soloist/8:30am)*

*Show Me Thy Ways* Pelz  
*(LUMC Chancel Choir – 11am)*

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PETITION FOR ASSURANCE** *(as a group):*  
WE ARE SINNERS. AND WE ARE NOT ONLY SINNERS, WE ARE WEAK. AND WE ARE NOT ONLY WEAK, WE FAIL. BUT WE ARE NOT FAILURES. INDEED, WE DESTROY, BUT WE ALSO LOVE. YOU, GOD, DO NOT LIMIT US TO THE STORIES BY WHICH THE WORLD DEFINES US. YOU SEE MUCH MORE IN US THAN THE LABELS WE GIVE OURSELVES. SO GIVE US THE COURAGE TO DEFY ALL EXPECTATIONS ... INCLUDING OUR OWN. IN YOUR LOVE, HELP US TO BECOME ALL OF WHO WE ARE, IN YOU. AMEN.

**\*NEW TESTAMENT LESSON** *Philippians 3:7-16* CEB

**\*GLORIA PATRI #71**

**WITNESS TO THE WORD** *“All In ... for the Journey?”* Rev. L. Kim Eanes

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE UMH# 142** *If Thou But Suffer, God to Guide Thee*

**PRAYER CONCERNS, PASTORAL PRAYER, THE LORD’S PRAYER #895**

**OFFERTORY (UMH#295)** *In the Cross of Christ I Glory* I. Conkey

**\*THE DOXOLOGY UMH#95**

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**\*CLOSING HYMN OF PRAISE UMH#424** *Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone*

**\*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

**\*POSTLUDE (UMH#517)** *By Gracious Powers* C.H.H. Parry

*\*Please stand if you are able*