



## **SILENT CONFESSION**

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel!  
**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

### **\*GLORY BE TO THE FATHER #581**

*“Gloria Patri”* (Greatorex)

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
World without end. Amen. Amen.**

### **\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

Please exchange these words with your neighbors: “The peace of the Lord be with you.” “And also with you.”

## **THE WORD**

### **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

#### **READING FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES**

Genesis 9:8-17

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

#### **READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT LETTERS**

1 Peter 3:18-22

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

### **ANTHEM**

*“Lonesome Valley”* (Martin)

#### **\*READING FROM THE GOSPELS**

Mark 1:9-15

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

### **A MOMENT FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES**

### **SERMON**

“The Time is Fulfilled”

#### **\*HYMN #167**

*“Forty Days and Forty Nights”* (Herbst)

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

From *The Westminster Shorter Catechism* (1649)

Q. What is repentance unto life?

A. **Repentance unto life is a saving grace whereby sinners, out of a true sense of their sin and an apprehension of the mercy of God in Christ, with grief and hatred of their sin, turn from it unto God, with full purpose of, and endeavor after, new obedience.**

**SHARING OF PRAYER REQUESTS**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**RETURNING TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO GOD**

**MUSICAL OFFERING**

*"This Is My Father's World"* (Harris)

**\*PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW #606**

(Genevan Psalter)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION**

**God who rides on the storm,**

**You set your bow in the clouds as a sign of your covenant with all living creatures, including us: a covenant to preserve and sustain your good creation. All your paths are steadfast love and faithfulness for those who keep your decrees.**

**Your Beloved Son came proclaiming the fulfillment of time, the kingdom of God, repentance, and faith. You ordained that he would suffer for our sins, to bring us to you. Now he sits at your right hand, with all angels, authorities, and powers subject to him.**

**In response, we acknowledge our sin and turn from it, clinging to the good news of abundant life in Christ, and we dedicate our lives to his message, his service, and his glory.**

**Amen.**

**\*OUR LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father in heaven,  
holy is your name;  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

**SENDING**

**\*CLOSING HYMN #833**

*"O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go" (Peace)*

**\*CHARGE AND BLESSING**

**\*POSTLUDE**

\*Please stand if you are able where asterisks are printed.

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