

Worship Service
South Congregational Church, UCC
First Sunday of Lent
Sunday, February 18
10 am



Prelude Chorale Prelude J.S. Bach

Welcome

Open and Affirming Statement

We believe in a loving God, who through Jesus Christ has called us to love and affirm all
God's children.

We welcome to full life and ministry all persons regardless of mental and physical ability, sexual
identity, race, religious background, or economic status.

By the power of the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to respect and support gay, lesbian, bisexual,
and transgender persons, who often have been excluded from the life of the church.

We stand together seeking justice, healing and wholeness of life for all, thus becoming
an open and affirming congregation.

Greeting One Another

Gathering Song* Sanctuary John Thompson
and Randy Scruggs
**Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried
and true; With thanksgiving I'll be a living sanctuary for
you.**

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Prayer of Invocation

Hymn Forty Days and Forty Nights NCH #205

Scripture Genesis 9:8-17 and Mark 1:9-15

Reflection The Promises of the Meeting Places Rev. Lindsey
Peterson

Anthem Lonesome Valley Jay Althouse

Prayers of the People

Pastoral Prayer & The Jesus Prayer

Padre nuestro que estás en los cielos Santificado sea tu Nombre, Venga tu reino Hágase tu voluntad en la tierra como en el cielo Danos hoy el pan de este día y perdona nuestras deudas como nosotros perdonamos nuestros deudores y no nos dejes caer en la tentación sino que líbranos del malo. Amen

Heavenly Father, heavenly Mother,
Holy and blessed is your true name.
We pray for your reign of peace to come,
We pray that your good will be done,
Let heaven and earth become one.
Give us this day the bread we need,
Give it to those who have none.
Let forgiveness flow like a river between us,
From each one to each one.
Lead us to holy innocence
Beyond the evil of our days—
Come swiftly Mother, Father, come.
For yours is the power and the glory and the
mercy: Forever your name is All in One.
(The Lord's Prayer, version by Parker Palmer)

Sung Prayer Response

Announcements

During announcements, the ushers will pass the plate for this morning's offering. Thank you for contributing the financial resources you can to support the ministries of South Church. You can also give at sococho.org/donate.

Hymn*

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

NHC #472

Postlude

Poor Wayfaring Stranger

arr. Joseph Martin

**stand in body or spirit as you are able*



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If you are new to South Church today, welcome! We hope you find this community meaningful and nourishing. Let us know about what you are seeking, who you might like to talk with, and if you would like to be added to our email list by filling out the welcome form in the pew or connecting with one of the ushers.