Sunday Morning Worship

Lent 4: March 22, 2020

Preacher: Rev. Lawrence Nyarko Reader: Joyce Redford

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Gathering to Worship God

Lighting of the Christ Candle

One: The Light of Christ Shines Among Us.

All: Thanks be to God

Call to Worship

One: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,

and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And also with you.

Hymn: Holy, Holy, Holy (1,2 & 4) #315 (Voices United)

Opening Prayer:

One: God's Spirit calls to our spirits,

inviting us to worship

One: God's Spirit calls to our spirit,

inviting us by love. All:

One: God's Spirit calls to our spirits,

All: Calling us by name,

calling us to grow in faith, calling us to be made new.

One: We come to worship in this season of the Spirit. **Amen.**

Prayer of Confession:

One: God forgives and heals us.

We need your healing, merciful God:

Give us true repentance. Some sins are plain to us;

some escape us, some we cannot face.

Forgive us; set us free to hear your word to us;

set us free to serve vou.

Assurance of Pardon

One: God's amazing love blots out our sins and shortcomings. God's gift of pardon and peace is ours.

All: Thanks be to God.

To Discover the Word of God for This Day

Time with Children

Jovce Redford **Scripture Reading: Matthew 18:21-35**

One: Hear what the spirit is saying to the church.

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon: Benefit of Forgiveness!

Prayer of the People

To Respond in Faith, Hope and Love

Announcements Linda Davis / Minister

The Church Scatters to Live its Faith in the World

*Hymn: Open My Eyes, That I May See (1&3) #371 (VU)

*Commissioning & Benediction

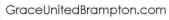
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