2. Sunday in Lent, March 4, 2012

Welcome to Worship. We are using the Red Hymnal (ELW - Evangelical Lutheran Worship) p. 156 ff. Setting 5 . The page numbers (p.) refer to the liturgy in the front section of the book. The hymns are found in the main section and are marked with large black numbers. The Psalms are found right before the hymns, marked with large red numbers. You may want to mark the appropriate pages with ribbons ahead of time.

Prelude

Ringing of the Bell / Lighting of the Candles

-GATHERING-

Choir Anthem: "Early Will I Seek Thee" (Weelkes)

Early will I seek Thee, for my soul thirsteth, Lord, for Thee.
I will bless Thee while I live, and lift up my hands in Thy name.
Early will I seek Thee, O God; Thou art my God.

Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness: p. 94-96

Gathering Hymn: # 520: "Dearest Jesus, at Your Word"

Children are invited to come forward for Children's Talk

Kyrie p. 156-157

Hymn of Praise p. 159

Prayer of the Day

-WORD-

1. LESSON: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-17 *God renews his covenant with Abraham and Sarah*

Psalm 22:23-31 *(Psalm tone 7) Proclaiming God's deeds to all*
(chanted by cantor and congregation alternatingly, whole verse by whole verse)

2. LESSON: Romans 4:13-25 *Abraham is the model of faith*

Gospel Acclamation p. 160 *Sung by choir*

"Glory and praise to you, O Lord, Jesus Christ."

GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 8:31-38 *Jesus announces his suffering and resurrection and calls everyone to follow him into a new existence.*
Response before reading: "Glory to you, O Lord"
Response after reading: "Praise to you, O Christ."

Hymn # 813 (1-3) "Faith of our Fathers"

Sermon

HYMN OF THE DAY # 799 "Come, Follow Me, the Savior Spake"
The Offering is gathered during the hymn

-PRAYER-

Offertory Verse : # 692 "We Are on Offering"
The offering is presented

The Apostles' Creed p. 105

Prayers of Intercession and The Lord's Prayer p. 163

-SENDING-

Choir Benediction: "Be At Peace"
As you go from the shadows, let your hearts be at peace;
May God's promise surround you; let all worry cease
For morning is dawning, the end of all night.
Soon dawn will waken with miracle light.
Go from the shadows, go from the shadows; be at peace.

Announcements

Blessing

CLOSING HYMN: # 813 (4) "Faith Born of God"

P: "Go in peace and serve the Lord! **C: "Thanks be to God!"**

Postlude
Please Join Us for Fellowship and Refreshments after Worship
Lector: *Leaf group,* Acolyte: Organ and Piano: Cherie Larson Music Director: Jordan Van Biert