

Living Mosaics
Second Sunday in Lent
March 8, 2020 11:15 a.m.

Gathering Song #287

"Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading" (Vs. 1, 3, 5)

Welcome and Living Our Faith

Call to Worship

Why have we gathered for worship today?

We have come to be born anew.

May we possess the courage to open our lives to the transforming power of God. Let us embrace God's Spirit and be changed.

Song #490 "Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters"

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, we confess that we have not always lived for you. You have invited us into new life, yet we have closed our eyes and ears to your invitation. You have challenged us to step out of well-worn ruts, yet we hesitate to venture onto a new path. Enter our lives and renew our spirits, so that we will have the courage we need to make overdue changes in our lives. We ask this in the name of Christ, who brings us hope for new life. Amen.

Response #288

"Spirit of the Living God"

Assurance of God's Forgiveness

Passing the Peace

Scripture Lesson John 3:1-17 Beth Singewald, Lay Reader

Message Greg Jones

Song #286 "Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

Offering

If you have not yet already done so, please sign the blue notebook and pass it to the person next to you.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Song #774 "There Is Now a New Creation"

Sending

Song #748 "Go with Us, Lord"

Following worship, please join us in the Meeting Room for coffee, tea, and fellowship.

We are thankful for your presence and participation this morning. Westminster has two worship options each Sunday. Our other worship service is at 9:00 a.m. and includes a choir, organ music, and a brief Children's Message. Both services include prayers, singing, scripture and sermon. At 10:10 a.m. we offer classes for all ages.

We welcome **Dr. James H. Laster** to the piano bench this morning. In addition to serving on the faculty of the Shenandoah Conservatory (Shenandoah University, Winchester VA) for 27 years, James boasts a varied career including composer, author, actor, and church musician. He and his wife Madlon have recently moved to Delaware to be near their son and grandchildren.

**Following worship, feel free to make a bouquet to brighten someone's day.** The flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Jeannette Slocum Edwards from the Ells Edwards family.

**Please remember in your prayers** Fay Barnaby, Leigh Cook.

The **180 Youth group** has dinner and Fellowship most Sunday evenings in Community Hall from 5 to 7 p.m. Tonight we meet at Bowlerama for two hours! Bring a friend and \$12/person. NO DINNER!

**Children are welcome.** Yellow worship bags for children are located at the chapel entrance.

**Image:** Henry Ossawa Tanner, Nicodemus and Jesus on a Rooftop (1899). Source: Art in the Christian Tradition, a project of the Jean and Alexander Heard Divinity Library, <a href="https://www.vanderbilt.edu">www.vanderbilt.edu</a>.

Pastors: Gregory Knox Jones Sudie Niesen Thompson Pianist: James Laster Song Leader: Olivia Fourney

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