

First Congregational Church of Winona

United Church of Christ

4th Sunday of Lent

10:00 a.m.

March 19, 2023

Prelude

Sandy Todd

Invitation to Worship

Rev. Danielle Bartz

Chimes

Call to Worship

One: Scripture is full of questions...

Many: Where are you?

One: Am I my neighbor's keeper?

Many: Whom shall I send?

One: Who do you say that I am?

Many: Who sinned?

One: How many times shall I forgive?

Many: If God is for us, who can be against us?

One: Scripture is full of questions, so just like those in our scriptures, may we bring our full curiosity and wonder into this space.

Many: Let us ask and seek after our merciful God.

***Hymn**

"God is My Shepherd"

#479, Black Hymnal

***Morning Prayer** (unison)

Anointed One, your love comes peaceably into our lives if we let it. We are so fixated on the familiar and safe choice that we often lose sight of what you are raising up right in our very midst. Enliven us with your Spirit this day so that we might get a glimpse of your peace. Amen.

***Passing the Peace**

Towards the Camera: "The Peace of Christ Be With You!"

Towards one another: "And with all of you!"

Call for Offering

Anthem

Senior Choir

***Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures here below.
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost! Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication** (unison)

Generous God, take these gifts and use them for the healing and tender care of your hurting world. May your cup overflow so that we may all be made whole. Amen.

Scripture

John 9:1-41

Sermon

'Seeking: Who Sinned?'

Joys/Concerns/Requests for Prayers

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Announcements

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***Hymn**

"Be Not Dismayed"

#460, Black Hymnal

***Affirmation of Faith**

See Insert

Benediction and Blessings

Chimes

Postlude

***As you are comfortably able, please rise in body and Spirit**