Second Baptist Church, Suffield

February 28, 2021 Second Sunday in Lent

Welcome

Prelude "Aria"

Handel; arr. Peterson Jean Aldrich-Jones, organist

Call to Worship (Based on Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16)

When Abram was 99 years old, God showed up in his life; We come to witness the amazing power of God.

God said, "walk before me, and be blameless and I will make my covenant."

We come to witness the impossible made possible through God.

God extends his promise from generation to generation, an everlasting covenant.

We come to witness and uphold our covenant with our Almighty God. Amen.

Hymn

"Lift Every Voice and Sing"

 Lift every voice and sing, till earth and heaven ring, Ring with the harmonies of liberty;
 Let our rejoicing rise high as the listening skies, Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.

Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us; Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us; Facing the rising sun of our new day begun, Let us march on till victory is won.

3) God of our weary years, God of our silent tears, Thou who has brought us thus far on the way; Thou who has by thy might Led us into the light, keep us forever in the path, we pray.

Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met thee; Lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget thee; Shadowed beneath Thy hand, may we forever stand, True to our God, true to our native land.

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.

First Reading Romans 4:13-25 Mary Begin

Anthem "Walk Along Beside Me, O My Lord" Molly Drenzek, soprano Jean Aldrich-Jones, pianist

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A Time for Children Sue Schneller

A Time of Prayer

Second Reading Mark 8:31-38

Reflection Getting It Behind You Rev. Dr. Rachael Lawrence

Hymn "We've Come This Far By Faith"

We've come this far by faith, leaning on the Lord; Trusting in his holy word, he's never failed me yet. Oh – oh - oh, can't turn around, we've come this far by faith. (**Repeat**)

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Pastoral Blessing

Postlude "Come We That Love the Lord" Mansfield

Tune: Marching to Zion Jean Aldrich-Jones, organist