

Welcome to . . .
The Presbyterian Church of Saint David
March 4, 2018
Third Sunday in Lent

Opening Responses: [from *Eggs & Ashes* Wild Goose Publications]

L> Wise God, jealous and holy,

ALL> your love brings us truth.

L> Wise God, just and joyful,

ALL> your stories bring us hope.

L> Wise God, wakeful and surprising,

ALL> your breath brings us life.

Prayer of Confession: (*said together*)

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word and deed.

We have not loved you

with our whole heart and mind and strength;

we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.

In your mercy forgive what we have been,

amend what we are, and direct what we shall be,

so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,

to the glory of your holy name;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

L> Friends in Christ, hear and believe the good news!

“If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just,

and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.”

**ALL> We may trust the mercy of God: in Jesus Christ our sin is
forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen.**

Hymn: Lord, thy word abideth 502

RESPONSE in Preparation for the Readings:

L> Listen for the Word that God has spoken;

ALL> Speak, Lord, to our speaking,

speak, Lord, to our listening,

speak, Lord, to our souls' deep understanding.

The Word of God: *Psalm 19*

For the Word of God in scripture,

for the Word of God among us,

for the Word of God within us.

ALL> Thanks be to God.

Reflection

Invitation

Hymn: You thirsty ones 190 verses 1,2,3

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Blessing, Prayers for Others

Communion

Prayer: (*said together*)

For the bread which we have eaten,

for the wine which we have tasted,

for the life that you have given:

Creator, Redeemer and Holy Spirit, we praise you.

For the life of Christ within us,

turning all our fears to freedom,

helping us to live for others;

for the strength of Christ to lead us,

in our living and our dying,

in the end with all your people:

Creator, Redeemer and Holy Spirit, we praise you. Amen.

Hymn: How firm a foundation 685 verses 1,2,5

Commission & Blessing:

L> This is the day that the Lord has made.

ALL> We will rejoice and be glad in it.

L> We will not offer to God

ALL> offerings that cost us nothing.

L> Go in peace and serve the Lord.

ALL> We will seek peace and pursue it.

L> Glory be to God who made us

and to Christ who saved us

and to the Holy Spirit who keeps us in faith.

ALL> As it was in the beginning, is now,

and shall be forever. Amen.