Welcome to... The Presbyterian Church of Saint David March 10, 2019 First Sunday in Lent

*Opening Responses: [from Eggs and Ashes, Ruth Burgess, Chris Polhill]

L> Wanderers, gatherers, homemakers, travellers

ALL> We come to God.

L> Questioners, adventurers, believers, doubters,

ALL> We come to God.

L> Workers, menders, seekers, dreamers,

ALL> We come to God.

L> Wherever we travel

ALL> God is on our track.

L> Where we settle

ALL> God is in our midst.

L> Whatever is ahead of us

ALL> God will be there before us.

Prayer: (said together)

God of compassion, we praise you that you look upon our frail lives with love and understanding, and that you desire for us all new life in Jesus Christ.

We are overwhelmed by your love, which goes to the cross for us,

endures the grave,

and leads us to new life.

We offer you our love

and commit ourselves to live as your people

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn: Break now the bread of life 507

RESPONSE in Preparation for the Readings:

L> Listen for the Word of the Lord;

ALL> Our ears are open

The Word of God: Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16

Romans 10:8b-13

Luke 4:1-13

L> This is the Word of the Lord.

ALL> Thanks be to God.

Reflection

Invitation

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Blessing, Prayers for Others

Communion

Prayer: (said together)

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery

in which you have given yourself to us.

Grant that we may go into the world

in the strength of your Spirit,

to give ourselves for others

in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn: Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us 647

Closing Responses & Blessing: [from A Wee Worship Book]

L> From where we are to where you need us

ALL> Christ be beside us.

L> From what we are to what you can make of us

ALL> Christ be before us.

L> From the mouthing of generalities to making signs of your kingdom.

ALL> Christ be beneath us.

L> Through the streets of this world to the gates of heaven,

ALL> Christ be above us.

L> The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

ALL> Amen.

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A reminder of the **Annual Congregational Meeting today** following the 11 a.m. service and soup luncheon. Annual reports available today.

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