

Seymour Christian Reformed Church

March 1, 2020

First Sunday of Lent

9:30 AM Worship

A special welcome today to the Singing HIMS—a male chorus that has been singing together for 44 years. They enjoy bringing the “Good News of Jesus Christ” to those in jails, hospitals, schools, nursing homes, missions for the homeless, and campgrounds throughout West Michigan.

If you are a newcomer to Seymour Church we want you to know that you are very welcome here. If you have any questions about our family of God or are interested in affiliating with our congregation, Pastor Brian White would be delighted to talk with you. Please fill out a white card (in the pews) or connect with him at 616-245-8726 or brian@seymourchurch.org.

Bold Print: Congregation participates audibly; *congregation stands, if possible.

We Gather

Prelude: “Festivity on ‘Come, Thou Fount’”		Wagner
“I Hear A Voice A-Prayin”	<i>(Bright)</i>	Singing HIMS
“How Great Thou Art	<i>(Forrest)</i>	Singing HIMS
Call to Worship: “O Come Let Us Sing”	<i>(Berry)</i>	Singing HIMS
*God’s Greeting		
*Welcome / Mutual Greeting		
The Lord be with you. And also with you.		
*Opening Hymn: “Sing to the LORD, Sing His Praise”		Red 96:1, 2, 4
	<i>(congregation, please be seated)</i>	
Ministry of Music		
“Amazing Grace (So Fill It Up)”	<i>(Excell)</i>	Singing HIMS
“Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone”	<i>(Raney)</i>	Singing HIMS

We Are Renewed

Call to Confession: 1 Peter 2:24

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Colossians 2:14

Song of Response: “At the Cross” *(Red)* Singing HIMS

Invitation to Children: “Trust and Obey”

(Pre-K through first grade are dismissed for Children’s Worship)

Congregational Prayer

We Hear His Word

Scripture Reading: Matthew 4:1-11

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The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon: "Tested in the Wilderness"

Prayer of Application

*Hymn of Application: "By Faith"

(Getty)

Singing HIMS

We Respond in Thanks

Dedication of Tithes and Offerings

Offering: 1.) General Fund 2.) Calvin Theological Seminary

Offertory: "If God Be For Us"

(Martin)

Singing HIMS

*Parting Blessing

*Closing Hymn: "My Friends May You Grow in Grace"

Singing HIMS

*Postlude: "Sounds of Praise"

Hughes

Worship Leaders

Preaching Pastor: Brian White

Organist: Ilene Woldhuis

Ministry of Music: Singing HIMS, directed by Jack Ponstine

Pianists: Kris Ponstine, Denise Vredevoogd

Percussion: Jason Wierenga

Flute: Anne Crans

French Horn: Julia DeGroot

Viola: Anna DeGroot

Trumpet: Nicole Horstman