first community

March 15, 2026
9 am NORTH
Lent 4

GREETING – Janelle

SONGS – Common Grace

How Good It Is
All Creatures of Our God and King

WELCOME – Glen

Recognize Congregational Care Ministers

PRAYER SONG- Common Grace

Lord Have Mercy

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER – Glen

Alternate Version from the New Zealand Anglican Prayer Book

Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,
Source of all that is and that shall be,
Father and Mother of us all,
Loving God, in whom is heaven:

The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!
The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth.

With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.
From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.

For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and for ever.
Amen.

OFFERTORY

Invitation to Dream – John

Receiving the People's Gifts

Offertory – Common Grace
Taylor DeVault, guitar solo

Prayer of Thanks- John

INTRODUCTION TO SCRIPTURE – Glen

SCRIPTURE READING - Glen

Ephesians 4:8–10
8 Therefore it is said,
"When he ascended on high, he made captivity
itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people."
9 (When it says, "He ascended," what does it
mean but that he had also descended into the
lower parts of the earth? **10** He who descended
is the same one who ascended far above all
the heavens, so that he might fill all things.)

SERMON – Glen

The Shape of Love:
Seeing God Clearly at the Cross
Part 4: The Shape of Love Is a Trojan Horse
Delivered to Hell

INVITATION TO CANDLE LIGHTING - John

CLOSING SONG – Common Grace
*Be Our Vision Now (*first verse and chorus only)

CLOSING WORDS– John