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9:00 am to 12:00 noon

Sunday In-person Worship at 10:30 AM

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Pianist - Marion D.

Worship Leader – Joy J. Song Leader – Ken D.

Seeking God's Ways

Lent 2 Focus Statement:

As we seek God's way, we move from a place where fear dictates our actions to a space where our response to others is guided by compassion.

Prelude

Gathering Songs SJ #8 We are people on a journey SS #45 Calm me. Lord

Welcome

Call to Worship

Leader: Together we seek the way of God. **People: As disappointment oppresses**

and violence threatens,

we come to ask: Whom shall we fear?

We come to be reminded of God's power and to be led more deeply into God's love.

We long to gather under the wings of Christ, as a mother hen,

and to learn the holy way of compassion.

Prayer

Songs of Praise HWB #120 Holy, holy, holy

HWB #297 Jesus came, the heavens adoring

Responsive reading

Your ways, O God, are higher than our ways.

Your thoughts are higher than our thoughts.

We seek God's ways. (pause) snuff candle

Lord, move us from fearful responses into the light of your compassion.

Song SJ #105 Don't be afraid

Opportunities, Sharing and Prayer

Lenten prayer of confession (Isaiah 55 adapted)

Holy One, we seek you while you may be found.

We call upon you while you are near.

Have mercy on us, O God,

for our thoughts are not your thoughts and our ways are not your ways.

Forgive us for living with fear.

Help us live out compassion.

As we walk with Christ on this Lenten journey,

let us see your way more clearly

and follow your way more faithfully.

Song SS #40 We will follow

Sermon You Can Make a Difference

John Peifer

Response Song SS #57 Go, my friends, in grace

Sending From this time and place into whatever awaits, may you follow God's way of compassion. May the embrace of Jesus ease your fears and encourage you to care for others. As you go, know that our God of the wilderness remains with you on the way.

Sending Song HWB #430 God be with you

Postlude

Pray for:

- our shut-ins and those with ongoing health concerns and their caregivers
- those grieving the loss of loved ones
- those recovering, those still struggling, and those facing new challenges
- ongoing prayers for Nic and Shirley
- our Leadership Team / Executive
- Swift Current: Full Gospel Church
- Mennonite Church Sask: Langham Mennonite Fellowship, pastor Emily Summach
- perseverance in the struggle against COVID
- Ukraine / Russia

Remembering our College and Careers

Next week we will have "Thinking of You" cards for you to sign for the College and Careers connected to our church community. You are also welcome to write a note at home and place it in the envelope. Board of Ed will add the Tim Cards for the 6 Young Adults to enjoy. Hannah D., Naomi D., Raelle S., Braydon Z., Shelby Z., Joel R.

Today 11 am radio broadcast

<u>Tuesday</u> 9:30 am **tied quilting/blanket making for MCC**The basement is set up and available to all to work on the quilts at any time.

Wednesday 10 am Lenten Guided Prayer

<u>Thursday</u> noon **Lenten service** at East Side Church of God in-person and live-streamed, no lunch

Friday 2 pm ladies coffee at Smitty's