

CHILMARK COMMUNITY CHURCH

Second Sunday in Lent

February 25, 2024

MEDITATION

"Have patience with all things, but first of all with yourself."

— St. Francis de Sales

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Centering Quiet

Introit *Sanctuary (x2)* #2164

*Call to Worship (*please stand as you are able)

One: From the four corners of the earth people are coming to their senses, are running back to God.

All: Long-lost families are falling on their faces before him.

One: All the power mongers are before him – worshipping!

All: All the poor and powerless, too – worshipping!

One: Along with those who never got it together – worshipping!

All: As the word is passed along from parent to child

One: Babies not yet conceived will hear the good news that God does what God says!

All: Come, let us worship God!

– Based on Psalm 22:27-31

*Hymn *Shout to the Lord (insert)*

Prayer of Invocation and Lord’s Prayer (together, seated)

God of all life, we come to you and praise you for the way you keep your word. You are a God who can be trusted and who loves us enough to allow us to bring our doubts and our fears to you, even when they are about you! Lord, hear our fears about rocky relationships, plummeting finances, ill health, and dreams that are dying. Hear our doubts about whether you really do hear and answer our prayers. May we bring our

doubts to you, and still believe you would hear and answer. All of these things we ask in the name of Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Scriptures Psalm 22:23-31

Romans 8:31-39

Sermon Separation Anxiety Rev. Dr. Wright

Interlude

Pastoral and Silent Prayer

Prayer Response

THANKSGIVING

The Offering

*Doxology #95

*Unison Offering Prayer

God we bring ourselves to you, just as we are. We bring our gifts and our talents to you, asking for you to bless them and help them to grow that they might be food to the hungry, resources to the needy, and love to the unloved. Amen.

*Hymn *The Summons* #2130

Benediction

Postlude

Please join us for Fellowship and Coffee in the parish hall after the service

Rev. Dr. Charlotte Wright, Pastor

Sean McMahon, Music Minister

Emily Broderick, Lay Leader