# Lenten Pilgrimage 28th Feb 2021 Stripping back to trust

#### **Welcome & Gathering**

#### Call to worship

One: We are on a Lenten journey, ALL: With the Source of Life at our back:

One: The Word of Life ahead of us: ALL: The Spirit of Love beside us.

One: We offer our worship to the Holy Companion ALL: Who transforms the journey of our lives and world.



I waited patiently for God, for God to hear my prayer; and God bent down to where I sank and listened to me there.

And on my lips a song was put, a new song to the Lord.

J L Bell

Performed by the Choir of Lansdowne Parish church Glasgow Conductor Gordon Munro, Pianist Stuart Muir

# **Opening Prayer with movement**

One: Holy One

Wherever we have been ALL: Love and hope surround us.

(action: \*arms circle round, cross in front of body and lower)

One: Wherever we are going

ALL: Love and hope surround us. (action\*)

One: Wherever we are now

ALL: Love and hope surround us. (action\*)

Time for all ages: Promise to Sarah & Abraham

Hymn: God who sets us on a journey (tune: Beach Springs CH4 252)

End our longing for the old days, grant the vision that we lack once we've started on this journey there can be no turning back; let us travel light, discarding excess baggage from our past, cherish only what's essential, choosing treasure that will last. Joyce Dine



Wilderness and Wings by Jan Richardson

Great wonders you have done, O Lord, all purposed for our good. Unable everyone to name, I bow in gratitude.

#### Reading: Genesis 9:7-17

7 And you, be fruitful and multiply, abound on the earth and multiply in it.'
8 Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, 9 'As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, 10 and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. 11 I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.' 12 God said, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: 13 I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. 14 When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, 15 I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. 16 When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.' 17 God said to Noah, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.'

Reflection by Fiona Bennett: Stripping back to Rainbow Promise.

Meditation: Covenant of Grace by Katrina Hadland

Rainbow Prayers by Harriet Davidson

#### Offering & Dedication

## Hymn: Will you come and follow me CH4 533

Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known, will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

Will you leave your self behind if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?

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Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare, will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?

Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

## **Blessing**