

WORSHIP LEADERS

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**We are happy to welcome everyone
attending St. John's United Church of
Christ. May God Bless you with His
abundant love.**

ST. JOHN'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

First Sunday in Lent

February 18, 2024

10:15 am

PRELUDE *"Like a River Glorious"*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively)

Leader: There are some journeys for which we long.

People: But the journey to the cross looks as though it will be difficult.

Leader: The way of discipleship and faith is difficult.

People: We would prefer something easier. We are not ready for this trip.

Leader: Put your hearts at ease. You are not traveling alone.

People: Perhaps we can accomplish this trip. At least we will try the first step.

OPENING HYMN

"My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"

MORNING PRAYER (In Unison)

The season of Lent is here again and, as with so many times before, we find that we are not really ready for this journey of discipleship. So many things claim our lives and prevent us from being ready to take the steps in faith. As we look at our

barrier of readiness, help us to remember that Christ is with us, every step of the way. We are not alone. Christ will help lift our hearts and spirits and direct our paths. Enable us, loving Savior, to take this journey of faith to new life with you. AMEN.

Hymn "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

SCRIPTURE READINGS Mark 7: 14-19

TODAY'S MESSAGE

"In and Out"

Jamelle Godlewski

DEDICATION OF OUR GIFTS

"Doxology"

#625

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

Prayers of the People – Kelly Harris

Pastoral, The Lord's Prayer (Debts, Debtors)

BENEDICTION

The first step on the journey, that of readiness, is one of the hardest. We keep thinking that we have forgotten something. God has called you by name, to this journey. You will have all that you need. Go in peace, and know that God is going with you. AMEN.

POSTLUDE "Amazing Grace"