

NORTH CHRISTIAN CHURCH

(Disciples of Christ)

Second Sunday in Lent

March 8, 2009

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

† All who are able please stand

PRELUDE

Prelude in G Minor

Buxtehude

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

Conner Hayes

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING IN SILENCE

Peace Before Us

David Hass

A time of silence in which we open ourselves to God's presence, attending to God at the center of our being and in the midst of the community.

Peace* be - fore us, peace* be - hind us, peace un - der our feet.

Peace with - in us, peace o - ver us, let all a - round us be peace.

*Love/Light/Christ

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CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The journey of Lent --

People: -- is a journey inward, to examine our hearts.

Leader: The journey of faith --

People: -- is a journey of trust, following God's promises.

Leader: The journey of life --

People: -- is a journey outward, spending our lives for the sake of love.

† HYMN

The God of Abraham Praise

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† STATEMENT OF MERCY

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Faithful God, you call us to trust in your promises, as you invited Abraham and Sarah. In Jesus Christ, you call us to take up our cross and follow, as he invited his disciples. We are quick to make excuses, afraid of the unknown, afraid of the hard work of discipleship. We are cautious; embarrassed to share the good news. Forgive us, we pray. Give us the courage that comes from knowing that you walk with us. Amen.

