Seedlings **7** : "The Road Home"



"The Road Home" Composed by Stephen Paulus, lyrics by Michael Dennis Browne and performed by *Conspirare*. You may listen by clicking <u>HERE</u>.

Tell me, where is the road I can call my own That I left, that I lost So long ago All these years I have wandered Oh, when will I know There's a way, there's a road That will lead me home

After wind, after rain When the dark is done As I wake from a dream In the gold of day Through the air there's a calling From far away There's a voice I can hear That will lead me home

Rise up, follow me Come away, is the call With the love in your heart As the only song There is no such beauty As where you belong Rise up, follow me I will lead you home



Lenten Vespers, Holden Setting will be sung every Thursday evening at 7:15 p.m. during the weeks in Lent preceded by a supper of soup and bread beginning at 6:30 p.m.



If you are unable to attend worship on Sunday mornings, please consider this option for weekly, public prayer during the Holy Season of Lent: quietly restful and meditatively beautiful.

Devotional readings from To Bless the Space Between Us: A Book of Blessings by John O'Donohue

First Week, February 22nd "Thresholds" Second Week, February 29th "Beginnings" Third Week, March 7th "Desires" Fourth Week, March 14th "Homecomings" Fifth Week, March 21st "States of the Heart"



Supper hosts may sign up on the list posted at the lower west entrance to the dining hall or please leave a voicemail message in the church office box at 708-442-5250 or send an email message to <u>office@stspeterandpaulriverside.org</u>.



The Fast Life

Fast from judging others; Feast on Christ dwelling in them. Fast from fear of illness; Feast on the healing power of God. Fast from words that pollute; Feast on speech that purifies. *Fast from discontent;* Feast on gratitude. Fast from anger; Feast on patience. *Fast from pessimism;* Feast on hope. *Fast from negatives;* Feast on encouragement. Fast from bitterness; Feast on forgiveness. *Fast from self-concern;* Feast on compassion. Fast from suspicion; Feast on truth. Fast from gossip; Feast on purposeful silence. Fast from problems that overwhelm; Feast on prayer that sustains. *Fast from anxiety;* Feast on faith.

---Author Unknown



Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

"A Long, Uneven Walk"

April 20th, 2021

By Jake Owensby, the fourth Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Western Louisiana.



You may be interested in reading by clicking <u>HERE</u>.

Coming in Eastertide... **The Ramona A. Suffern Mission Dinner** to support local, domestic and global missions.



The Fourth Sunday of Easter and Good Shepherd Sunday, April 21st, at 12 noon.

Lutheran Social Services of Illinois

Reserve the date on your calendars and look for information to come.

Seed money for this event will be provided by



Lux Cantorum Chicago in Concert here on Sunday, May 5th, 4 p.m.



"Sacred Classics" coming May 3, 5 and 11, 2024. "These extraordinary compositions, crafted by the greatest masters of the genre, have stood the test of time as they transport listeners to a realm where the sacred and sublime converge."



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For waters break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water... (Isaiah 35:6b-7a).

Join us every Sunday at 10:15 a.m.

For continuing live streaming of the liturgy please click <u>HERE</u>.

Recordings of the services are uploaded to the same site for viewing at a later date.



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