

FIRST CHURCH OF RIPON

SERVICE OF THE WORD

MARCH 3, 2024

RIPON, CALIFORNIA

“Building a community of people who love Jesus passionately and serve others joyfully”

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

10:00 A.M.

OPENING WORSHIP

PRELUDE

PREPARATION FOR LENT

HYMN: “Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive”

READING OF THE LAW FROM EXODUS 20

Pastor Matt Riddle

LENTEN PRAYER

*SCRIPTURE READING – Exodus 34:6-8

Eric Graef

***HYMNS OF PRAISE:** “All I Have Is Christ”
“Here Is Love, Vast As the Ocean”

(1,2,4,5)

*GOD GREETUS US

(PLEASE BE SEATED)

WELCOME

Pastor Glenn Gerdes

BRINGING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERING: First Church Vision Fund

(This fund includes many items such as salaries, operating expenses, and covenant education.)

OFFERTORY

OFFERING UP OUR PRAYERS AND PETITIONS

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Eric Graef

CHILDREN’S HYMN: “Humble Praises, Holy Jesus”

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*Children ages 2 ½ through 2nd grade are invited (not required) to gather
at the back of the sanctuary for Children's Worship in rooms 1-4, 13 & 14.*

HEARING GOD’S WORD

***BIBLE READING:** Mark 9:42-50 (p. 1075, 1005)

Pastor Glenn Gerdes

MESSAGE: “The Good News Begins – A Serious Discussion”

***RESPONSE:** “We Look to You”

GOD SENDS US WITH HIS BLESSING

*GOD'S BLESSING

***PARTING PRAISE:** “Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing”

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POSTLUDE

(*) -- indicates that the congregation stands if able

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Preaching: Rev. Glenn Gerdes

Piano: Melissa Viss

Organ: Roelyn Poot

Vocalists: Eric Graef, Makayla Sipma, Vance Sipma, Kayla Van Houten

Bass: Steve Thompson

Guitars: Eric Graef, Matt Riddle

Percussion: Vance Sipma