



Image Source: Mountain Landscape with the Temptation of Christ, 1605-1610, Jan Bruegel, Kunsthistorisches Museum, Vienna, Austria

Temptation ***Pastor Thom Demers***

Sunday, February 26, 2023
First Sunday in Lent

Genesis 2:15-17;3:1-7

Matthew 4:1-11

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY:

Leader: Pastor Thom Demers
Liturgist: Justine Gaskamp
Choir: Wendy Dunning

Organist: Gene Brochu
Production: Hiel Lindquist

Peterborough United Methodist Church

Welcome! **If you are a first-time guest** please fill out our digital welcome card
bit.ly/pumcwelcomecard.

~Wiggling is appropriate & welcome. **Responsive parts in bold.** *Those able are invited to stand in praise.

PRELUDE Organist

INTROIT Choir

WELCOME Pastor

This is the day the Lord has made. **Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

~CALL TO WORSHIP Dr Lisa Hancock Pastor

L: Welcome pilgrims on the way to the cross.

P: We are learning to follow Jesus.

L: For those who feel Christ near,

P: May we not turn away from the discomfort of the journey ahead.

L: For those who feel as far from Christ as the desert is from the ocean,

P: May we find Christ in the wilderness with us.

L: For all of us who stumble and fall in our silence, indifference, and lack of generosity,

P: May we reach for the hand of Christ, who raises us up to continue on the journey.

L: Pilgrims on the way, come let us worship God!

**A: We come to worship God as we learn to live inside out!
Amen.**

~*HYMN **Great Is Thy Faithfulness UMH 140**

~OPENING PRAYER Bill Hoppe Liturgist

Holy One,

**we are constantly bombarded
with temptations and enticements.**

**When we yield, when we fail,
who will help us?**

You, Lord, have come to our aid.

**You teach us, counsel us, and guide us
in the ways we should go.**

We rejoice in your unfailing love. Amen.

~*APOSTLES CREED UMH 882 *universal Liturgist

ANTHEM Choir

~CHILDREN'S MOMENT

JOYS & CONCERNS Pastor

Gracious Lord, **bless this joy**. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

PASTORAL PRAYER Pastor

~THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH 270 Pastor

SCRIPTURE *Genesis 2:15-17;3:1-7 Pew Bible OT p 2* Liturgist

The word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

~*HYMN **Amazing Grace UMH 378**

OFFERING *Prayers, Presence, Gifts, Service, and Witness* Liturgist

~DOXOLOGY UMH 95 Liturgist

~PRAYER OF DEDICATION *UMCDiscipleship.org, Matthew 4:1-11* Liturgist

Generous God, as we remember Jesus' temptation in the wilderness, we acknowledge the temptation that pursues so many of us: to measure our worth, our power and our security by what we have. As we offer these gifts to you this morning, we pray that you might deliver us from the temptation of building our lives around what belongs to us. Continually lead us to the conviction that what matters is that we belong to you. We pray in the name of our Savior and Redeemer. Amen.

SCRIPTURE *Matthew 4:1-11 Pew Bible NT p 3* Liturgist

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MESSAGE *Temptation* Pastor Thom Demers

~*HYMN **Take Time to Be Holy UMH 395**

BLESSING Pastor

POSTLUDE Organist

ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING: **all times in Eastern Time*

Sun	10a	Worship service online or in-person
Tue-Wed	9a-12	Admin Virtual Office Hours
Thu	9a-12	Admin In-Office Office Hours
Wed	5p-8:30	Pastor Thom's Office Hours

**No pastor office hours through February*

Feb 28		Newsletter submissions due
Mar 1	7p	Missions meeting via Zoom
Mar 5	12p	Lent Bible Study hybrid
Mar 10	7p	Open Mic Night doors open 6:30
Mar 12	8a	Free Community Breakfast
Mar 18	5p-8	Free Family Night
Mar 20	1:30	Book Group hybrid
Mar 21	6:30p	Admin Council meeting hybrid

**Welcome to Peterborough
United Methodist Church!**

**Join us online or in-person at
10 am on Sunday.**



We are delighted to welcome you to our service.

Please be aware the ambient mic will pick up on conversations in the sanctuary.

If you use a hearing aid with bluetooth you can connect directly to our audio with the Listen Everywhere app on your smartphone. If you would like a headset, please see an usher.

If you are new to PUMC and want us to be contacted, go to bit.ly/pumcwelcomecard. We have a weekly email and a monthly newsletter.

You can sign up on our web site. bit.ly/subscribepumc.

Pastor Thom can be contacted at pastorthom@peterboroughumc.org.



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FOOD OFFERING:

Our next congregational offering will be delivered to Jaffrey Food Pantry.