

Second Sunday in Lent  
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## WELCOME

## PRELUDE

*Stand*

## INVOCATION

**P** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C** Amen.

## WORDS OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Kneel/ Remain Standing*

**P** Most merciful God,

**C** We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

**P** Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**GREETING OF PEACE** *Greet others, saying "Peace be with you/And also with you", along with a head nod, handshake, bow, or placing your hand on your heart.*

## SERVICE OF THE WORD

### HYMN "Restore In Us, O God"

1 Re - store in us, O God, the splen - dor of your  
2 O Spir - it, wake in us the won - der of your  
3 Bring us, O Christ, to share the full - ness of your  
4 Three per - soned God, ful - fill the prom - ise of your

love; re - new your im - age in our hearts,  
power; from fruit - less fear un - furl our lives  
joy; bap - tize us in the ris - en life  
grace, that we, when all our search - ing ends,

and all our sins re - move.  
like spring-time bud and flower.  
that death can - not de - stroy.  
may see you face to face.

Text: Carl P. Daw, Jr., b. 1944

Music: David Hurd, b. 1950

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[P] The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C And also with you.**

[P] In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ have mer - cy.

**P** For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ have mer - cy.

**P** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ have mer - cy.

**P** For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ have mer - cy.

**P** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



**C** A - - - - - men.

*The Hymn of Praise is traditionally omitted during lent.*

**P** The Lord be with you. **C** And also with you.

**P** Gracious God, by Your light of grace shining in our hearts and enlightened by the cross of our Savior, Jesus Christ, inspire in us a faith that is alive and glorifies You in all we say and do; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C** Amen.

*Children are invited to the Fireside Lounge for the Children's Lesson.*

## SCRIPTURE LESSON Judges 2:11-18

**R** Then the Israelites did what was evil in the sight of the LORD and worshipped the Baals; and they abandoned the LORD, the God of their ancestors, who had brought them out of the land of Egypt; they followed other gods, from among the gods of the peoples who were all around them, and bowed down to them; and they provoked the LORD to anger. They abandoned the LORD, and worshipped Baal and the Astartes. So the anger of the LORD was kindled against Israel, and he gave them over to plunderers who plundered them, and he sold them into the power of their enemies all around, so that they could no longer withstand their enemies. Whenever they marched out, the hand of the LORD was against them to bring misfortune, as the LORD had warned them and sworn to them; and they were in great distress.

Then the LORD raised up judges, who delivered them out of the power of those who plundered them. Yet they did not listen even to their judges; for they lusted after other gods and bowed down to them. They soon turned aside from the way in which their ancestors had walked, who had obeyed the commandments of the LORD; they did not follow their example. Whenever the LORD raised up judges for them, the LORD was with the judge, and he delivered them from the hand of their enemies all the days of the judge; for the LORD would be moved to pity by their groaning because of those who persecuted and oppressed them.

**R** This is the Word of the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.

**MESSAGE**      “Are you influenced or an influencer?”

*Stand*

**HYMN**      “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

1 Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;  
2 Sun - mer and win - ter and spring - time and har - vest,  
3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,

There is no shad - ow of turn - ing with Thee.  
Sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove  
Thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide;

Thou chang - est not: Thy com - pas - sions, they fail not;  
Join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness  
Strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,

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As Thou hast been, Thou for - ev - er wilt be.  
To Thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.  
Bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

*Refrain*

Great is Thy faith - ful - ness! Great is Thy faith - ful - ness!

Morn - ing by morn - ing new mer - cies I see;

All I have need - ed Thy hand hath pro - vid - ed;

Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, Lord, un - to me!

Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, Lord, un - to me!

## APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven,

And sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

**[P]** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

*Other prayers are inserted here. Each petition ends with "Lord, in your mercy," to which the congregation responds, "hear our prayer." The prayers conclude:*

**[P]** Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **[C] Amen.**

*Sit*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### OFFERING

*You may contribute online using the QR code or place a gift in offering plate at the door along with the interest sheet.*



### OFFERTORY MUSIC

## SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

*Stand*

*introduction*

**C** Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the  
 brim our cup of bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the  
 seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the  
 bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of  
 all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer.  
 Grace our ta-ble with your pres-ence, and  
 give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

**P** Let us pray. Merciful Father,

**C** we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given  
 us—ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious  
 love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us,  
 Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## PREFACE

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And al-so with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

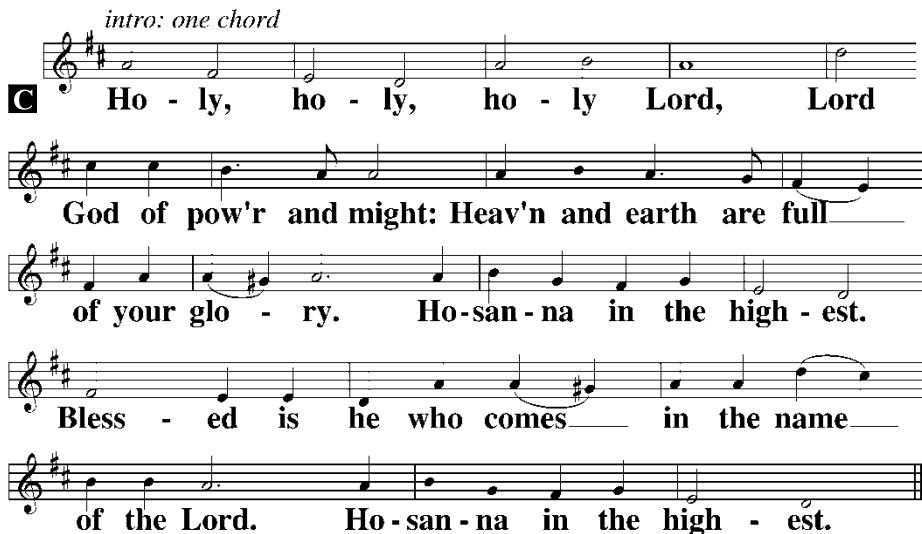
**C** We lift them to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.





**P** It is indeed right and salutary that we should ... and so we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

**P** In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

**P** Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

## LORD'S PRAYER

*Recognizing that the church, and this congregation, are comprised of people from many cultures, languages, and backgrounds, please speak this prayer in the language or version closest to your heart.*

**C** Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but

deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

LAMB OF GOD

*introduction*

**C** Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;  
have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -  
way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Sit

**THE DISTRIBUTION** *Please approach the altar as space is available. You may receive communion from pre-packaged elements or the common loaf, along with an individual cup of wine or grape juice. Gluten-free options are available.*

# HYMN "Soul Adorn Yourself With Gladness" (v. 1, 4, 5, 6)

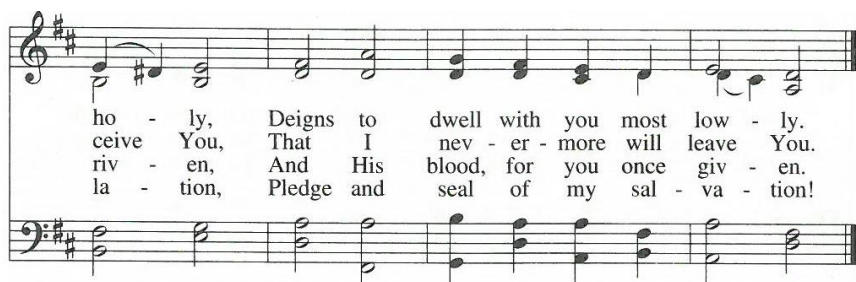
1 Soul, a - dorn your - self with glad - ness, Leave the  
 2 Has - ten as a bride to meet Him, And with  
 3 He who craves a pre - cious trea - sure Nei - ther  
 4 Now in faith I hum - bly pon - der O - ver

gloom-y haunts of sad - ness, Come in - to the day-light's  
 lov - ing rev - 'rence greet Him. For with words of life im -  
 cost nor pain will mea - sure; But the price-less gifts of  
 this sur - pass - ing won - der That the bread of life is

splen - dor, There with joy your prais - es ren - der.  
 mor - tal He is knock - ing at your por - tal.  
 heav - en God to us has free - ly giv - en.  
 bound-less Though the souls it feeds are count - less:

Bless the One whose grace un-bound - ed This a - maz - ing  
 O - pen wide the gates be - fore Him, Say - ing, as you  
 Though the wealth of earth were prof - ered, None could buy the  
 With the choic - est wine of heav - en Christ's own blood to

ban - quet found - ed; He, though heav'n - ly, high, and  
 there a - dore Him: Grant, Lord, that I now re -  
 gifts here of - fered: Christ's true bod - y, for you  
 us is giv - en. Oh, most glo - rious con - so -

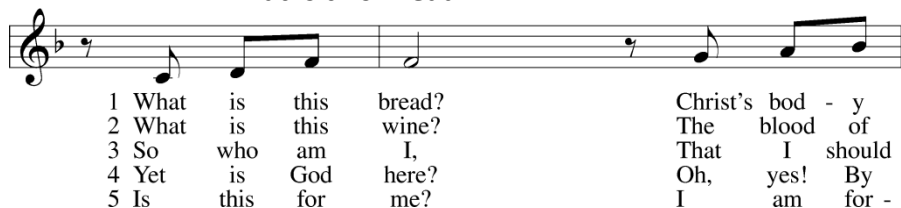


ho - ly, Deigns to dwell with you most low - ly.  
 ceive You, That I nev - er - more will leave You.  
 riv - en, And His blood, for you once giv - en.  
 la - tion, Pledge and seal of my sal - va - tion!

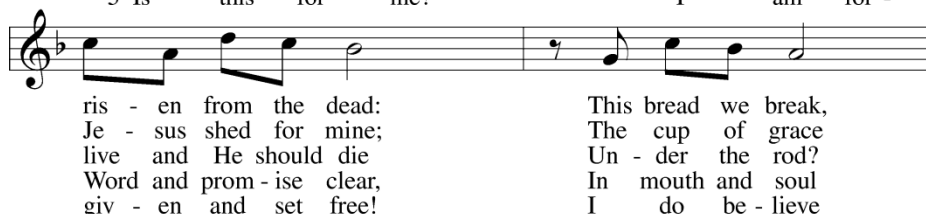
5 Jesus, source of lasting pleasure,  
 Truest friend, and dearest treasure,  
 Peace beyond all understanding,  
 Joy into all life expanding:  
 Humbly now, I bow before You;  
 Love incarnate, I adore You;  
 Worthily let me receive You  
 And, so favored, never leave You.

6 Jesus, sun of life, my splendor,  
 Jesus, friend of friends, most tender,  
 Jesus, joy of my desiring,  
 Fount of life, my soul inspiring:  
 At Your feet I cry, my maker,  
 Let me be a fit partaker  
 Of this blessed food from heaven,  
 For our good, Your glory, given.

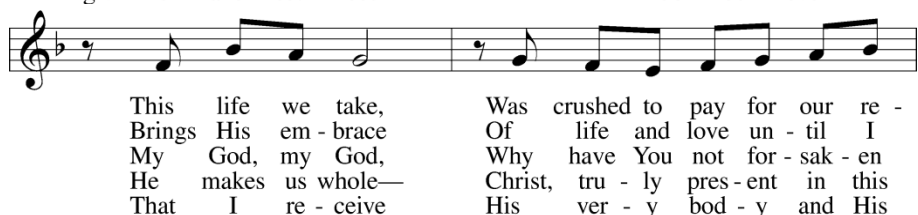
## HYMN "What is this Bread"



1 What is this bread? Christ's bod - y  
 2 What is this wine? The blood of  
 3 So who am I, That I should  
 4 Yet is God here? Oh, yes! By  
 5 Is this for me? I am for -



ris - en from the dead: This bread we break,  
 Je - sus shed for mine; The cup of grace  
 live and He should die Un - der the rod?  
 Word and prom - ise clear, In mouth and soul  
 giv - en and set free! I do be - lieve



This life we take, Was crushed to pay for our re -  
 Brings His em - brace Of life and love un - til I  
 My God, my God, Why have You not for - sak - en  
 He makes us whole— Christ, tru - ly pres - ent in this  
 That I re - ceive His ver - y bod - y and His



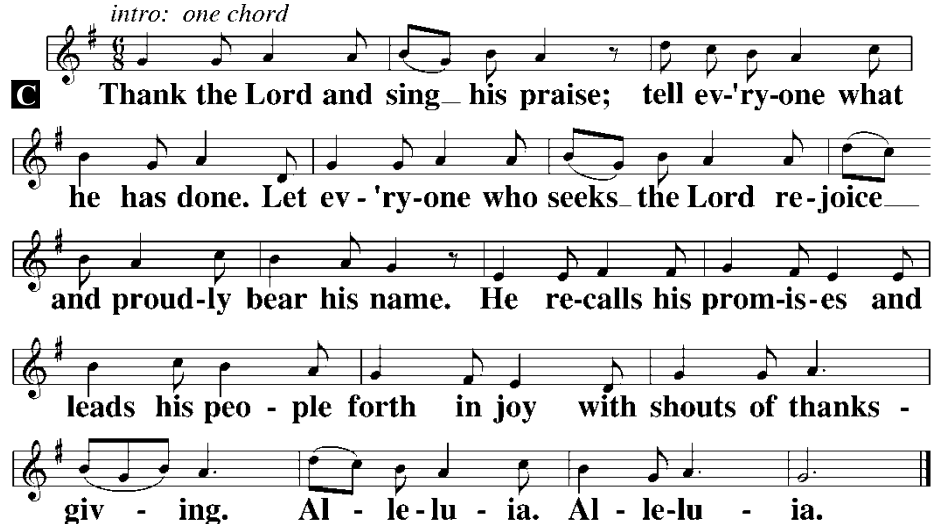
lease. O taste and see— the Lord is peace.  
 sing! O taste and see— the Lord is King.  
 me? O taste and see— the Lord is free.  
 meal. O taste and see— the Lord is real.  
 blood. O taste and see— the Lord is good.

*Stand*

**[P]** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **[C] Amen.**

## POST-COMMUNION COLLECT AND PRAYER

*intro: one chord*



**[C]** Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what  
he has done. Let ev-'ry-one who seeks the Lord re-joyce  
and proud-ly bear his name. He re-calls his prom-is-es and  
leads his peo - ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks -  
giv - ing. Al - le-lu - ia. Al - le-lu - ia.

**[P]** Let us pray. Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **[C] Amen.**

## BENEDICTION

**[P]** Let us bless the Lord. **[C] Thanks be to God.**  
**[P]** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.  
**[C] Amen.**  
**[P]** Go in peace; serve the Lord. **[C] Thanks be to God**

# CLOSING HYMN "I Want Jesus To Walk With Me"

The musical score is written in C minor (three flats) and consists of three systems. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano line (bass clef). Chord markings are placed above the vocal line.

**System 1:** Chords: Cm, Cm, G<sup>7</sup>, Cm, G<sup>7</sup>, Cm, Gm. Lyrics: 1 I want Je - sus to walk with me; 2 In my tri - als, Lord, walk with me; 3 When I'm in trou - ble, Lord, walk with me;

**System 2:** Chords: Cm, E<sup>b</sup>, B<sup>b7</sup>, E<sup>b</sup>, G<sup>7</sup>, Cm/G. Lyrics: I want Je - sus to walk with me; in my tri - als, Lord, walk with me; When I'm in trou - ble, Lord, walk with me;

**System 3:** Chords: G<sup>7</sup>, Cm, Dm<sup>7(b5)</sup>, B<sup>b7</sup>, Cm. Lyrics: all a - long my pil - grim jour - ney, when my heart is al - most break - ing, when my head is bowed in sor - row,

**System 4:** Chords: Adim, B<sup>b7</sup>, Cm, Fm<sup>7</sup>, Cm, G<sup>7</sup>, Cm, Fm, Cm. Lyrics: Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me. Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me. Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.

Text: African American spiritual  
 Music: African American spiritual; arr. J. Jefferson Cleveland, b. 1937, Verolga Nix, b. 1933  
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## POSTLUDE

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### Our Confession about Communion

#### Our Confession

1. Holy Communion is a divinely instituted act in which Jesus Christ gives His true (real) body and blood under the forms of bread and wine. We thus hold that the bread and wine are not mere symbols of Jesus' body and blood. When we receive the bread and wine we receive in fact the body and blood of Christ for the forgiveness of sins.

2. We believe that Communion is a celebration of this forgiveness which comes to us through faith as we eat and drink. In communion we remember our Lord's passion and death, His resurrection and ascension, and the promise of His coming again. Communion is truly the Gospel made visible, and is offered for those who "hunger and thirst after righteousness."

3. We believe that as we eat and drink this Supper we are strengthened in our faith in Jesus Christ and in our love for one another.

Therefore, we invite to the Lord's Table all who:

a. have been instructed in the meaning of Communion; have been baptized in the name of the Triune God; have received Jesus Christ as their own personal and living Savior and Lord, and concur in our confession;

b. are not living in open rebellion against the Word of God, and do not hold willful and persistent form of hatred, resentment or anger against any other person.

Those who have questions about communion are welcome to talk to one of the Pastors.

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