



SECOND SUNDAY  
— *in* —  
LENT

## SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

March 13, 2022

### GATHERING

**PRAYER FOR MEDITATION:** *God of compassion: you are patient with evil, and you care for the lost. Teach us to obey you, and to live our lives following the Good Shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

### RINGING OF THE CHIMES

### WELCOME + ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### PRELUDE

*Chorale Prelude on LOBE DEN HERREN*  
Dr. Terry McRoberts

Walther

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

*Elder David Greene*

One: The season of Lent can be barren and lonely,  
**ALL:** *but God goes with us through the wild wilderness.*  
One: Our lives are lived in seasons of transitions and transformations.  
**ALL:** *Lent is a time to ponder God's providence and persistence.*  
One: Together, we seek fruitfulness, for it has been promised to us;  
**ALL:** *the barrenness of Lent will give way to the fruitfulness of Easter.*  
One: In this season of penitence and pondering, let us gather before God.  
**ALL:** *We come, as a family, to wait for the Lord with strength and courage. Come, let us worship God!*

#### \*HYMN OF PRAISE: 641 *When in Our Music God is Glorified*

ENGELBERG

#### CALL TO CONFESSION AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*Rev. John White*

One: Gracious God, Healer and Redeemer, we come to you with heavy hearts, for we know we have sinned against you and against one another. You call us to declare your mercy through acts of compassion,  
**ALL:** *But often we are reluctant to respond.*  
One: You offer us opportunities to share your healing presence with those who are downtrodden,  
**ALL:** *But often we are afraid to follow your direction. God of mercy and forgiveness, so many people today are victims – burdened with stress and sin and sorrow. Forgive us when we get so caught up with our own needs that we fail to look at people with your eyes. We know that you call us to see and meet the needs of those who suffer. You refused to ignore those on the edge of society, women and outcasts, people whom others considered inferior and unclean.*

*You made people a priority over rules and regulations, and you graced their lives with healing and dignity. Forgive us when we fail to do likewise. Jesus, Savior and Lord, unbind us and straighten us out so that the good news we proclaim boldly with our lips is clearly visible through our deeds. Amen.*

## SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION AND REPENTANCE

### \*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*Rev. John White*

One: God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned. (John 3:17,18a)

**ALL:** *The good news therefore is this: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven and we receive his peace, a peace such as the world cannot give. Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Amen!*

### \*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: (Hymn: 166, stanza 1)

ST. FLAVIAN

*Lord, who throughout these forty days for us did fast and pray, teach us with you to mourn our sins and close by you to stay.*

### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Jesus Christ be with you.

**ALL:** *And, also, with you.*

## THE WORD

### \*HYMN: 411 *God is Here Today* (sung 3 times)

DIOS ESTÁ AQUI

### TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

*Susannah White*

### CALL TO PRAYER

**My Faith Looks Up to Thee**  
Campanile Ensemble

arr. Van Valey / Berry

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Rev. John White*

### ACT OF PRAISE

***Beneath the Cross of Jesus***  
Campanile Ensemble

arr. Van Valey / Berry

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

*Elder David Greene*

### OLD TESTAMENT READING

***Isaiah 5:1-7***  
(pg. 634)

*Elder David Greene*

One: This is the word of God for the people of God.

**ALL:**      *Thanks be to God.*

**NEW TESTAMENT READING**

**Luke 13:6-9**  
(pg. 76)

*Rev. John White*

One:      This is the word of God. The grass withers and the flower fades, but the word of the Lord endures forever.

**ALL:**      *Thanks be to God.*

**SERMON**

***Great Repentance***

*Rev. John White*

**RESPONSE**

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *The Apostles' Creed (Traditional), p. 35* (in unison)

*Rev. John White*

***I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;  
he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints;  
the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.***

*(At this time, please find the red friendship pad located toward the center isle on each pew,  
sign it, pass it down your row and back again, taking note of those who worship with you.)*

**OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY**

***Meditation on When I Survey the Wondrous Cross***

Jones

Dr. Terry McRoberts

\*Doxology (Tune: 591)

OLD HUNDREDTH

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

\*Dedicatory Prayer

*Elder David Greene*

**SENDING**

**\*HYMN 441** *Hear the Good News of Salvation*

NETTLETON

**\*CHARGE + BENEDICTION**

*Rev. John White*

*(We request that you remain seated until after the Postlude, and ask that you use  
the Postlude as a time to reflect upon the scripture that was read in today's service.)*

**POSTLUDE**

***Sent Forth by God's Blessing***  
Campanile Ensemble

Martha Lynn Thompson