



Second Sunday in Lent
March 13, 2022 @ 10:30 am

Liturgist: Guina Bixler

Special Music: The Handbell Choir

**Please stand in body or spirit.*

Music as we prepare our hearts and minds for worship

Chimes: Hymns

Organ Prelude *“If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee”*
Catherine Winksorth (1863)

Welcome and Announcements

Nursery care is available for infants through age 5 in Room 115.

Kids are an important part of our church family!

Each Sunday, the children are welcome to use
our Playground space during worship;
parents and grandparents may sit close by.

Kids and families who would prefer to sit together in the pews may pick-up worship materials to use during this time from the worship bag cart or the Prayground space.

***Call to Worship**

One: Draw near to God and God will draw near to us.

All: When we pray, we are changed by being with God.

One: Let us keep company with Jesus. Let us worship God.

***Opening Hymn** Open My Eyes, That I May See OPEN MY EYES
Glory To God Hymnal #451

Open my eyes, that I may see
glimpses of truth thou hast for me.
Place in my hands the wonderful key
that shall unclasp and set me free.
Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my eyes; illumine me, Spirit divine!

Open my ears, that I may hear
voices of truth thou sendest clear.
And while the wave notes fall on my ear,
everything false will disappear.
Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my ears; illumine me, Spirit divine!

Open my mouth, and let me bear
gladly the warm truth everywhere.
Open my heart, and let me prepare
love with thy children thus to share.
Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my heart; illumine me, Spirit divine!

***Opening Prayer**

Old Testament Psalm 84

¹ How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts!
² My soul longs, indeed it faints for the courts of the LORD;
my heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God.
³ Even the sparrow finds a home,
and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young,
at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.
⁴ Happy are those who live in your house,
ever singing your praise. *Selah*
⁵ Happy are those whose strength is in you,
in whose heart are the highways to Zion.
⁶ As they go through the valley of Baca
they make it a place of springs;
the early rain also covers it with pools.
⁷ They go from strength to strength;
the God of gods will be seen in Zion.
⁸ O LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer;
give ear, O God of Jacob! *Selah*
⁹ Behold our shield, O God;
look on the face of your anointed.
¹⁰ For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.
I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God
than live in the tents of wickedness.
¹¹ For the LORD God is a sun and shield; he bestows favor and honor.
No good thing does the LORD withhold from those who walk uprightly.
¹² O LORD of hosts, happy is everyone who trusts in you.

Music Meditation

Near the Cross

arr. Joel Raney, Arnold B. Sherman

Children's Moment

New Testament Lesson Matthew 6:9-13

9 "Pray then in this way:

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name.

10 Your kingdom come.

Your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

11 Give us this day our daily bread.

12 And forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.

13 And do not bring us to the time of trial,
but rescue us from the evil one.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Meditation

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

**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 debts,
as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom and the power
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

“Pray for One Another”

Please pray for the following members and families:

Maryanne Bennett; Paul & Jessica Bennett, Kate, Riley; Roger & Arlene Bennett; Ben & Mary Beth Bierbaum, Benny, Brandon; Gary & Guina Bixler; Scott Bowers; Stacy Bowers, Camden; Jennifer Bowler, Jay, Dean; Bill & Connie Boyajan, Allison, Brittany, Craig.

Offering

Let us pray.

(In unison)

These Lenten days will take us to the cross of Christ. Let us go forward, offering all we are, knowing we do not go this way alone. Nor do we have to be afraid, for the Word of God strengthens us and the Holy Spirit sustains us. Amen.

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***Closing Hymn** More Love to Thee, O Christ MORE LOVE TO THEE
Glory To God Hymnal #828

More love to thee, O Christ, more love to thee!
Hear thou the prayer I make on bended knee.
This is my earnest plea: more love, O Christ, to thee;
more love to thee, more love to thee!

Once earthly joy I craved, sought peace and rest.
Now thee alone I seek; give what is best.
This all my prayer shall be: more love, O Christ, to thee;
more love to thee, more love to thee!

Then shall my latest breath whisper thy praise;
this be the parting cry my heart shall raise.
This still its prayer shall be: more love, O Christ, to thee;
more love to thee, more love to thee!

Benediction

Doxology

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

Organ Response *“Open Mine Eyes That I May See”*

Clara Scott (1841-1897)

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