

THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday, March 16, 2025

The Second Sunday of Lent

11:00 a.m.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Prelude on ROCKINGHAM

C.S. Lang

INTROIT

The Lord Is My Light and My Salvation (Psalm 27) ON EAGLE'S WINGS
Madelynne Brooks, soloist

*CALL TO WORSHIP

(Adapted from Psalm 27:1-14)

Leader: The LORD is our light and our salvation; whom shall we fear?

People: The LORD is the stronghold of our lives; of whom shall we be afraid?

Leader: Hear, O LORD, when we cry aloud; be gracious to us and answer us!

People: Teach us your way, O LORD, and lead us on a level path;

Leader: Do not give us up to our adversaries, for false witnesses have risen against us.

People: We believe that we shall see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living.

Leader: Wait for the LORD; be strong, and let your heart take courage;

People: Wait for the LORD!

*HYMN #447

Lead on, O King Eternal
verses 1 and 3

LANCASHIRE

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We are slow to confess our sins, O God; although You are quick to listen. You are ever ready to give, but we are seldom ready to receive Your blessings. You are so near to us, and we are so far from You. You are at home in our lives, and yet we are unworthy hosts. We often behave as if You were a stranger. Hear us, Divine Father; forgive our sins. Give us the vision to see beyond ourselves, and lead us to live more Christ-like lives. In His name we pray. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

KYRIE #572

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

WORDS WITH OUR YOUNG CHURCH

Children ages K-3rd grade are now invited downstairs for Children's Worship.

ANTHEM

There in God's Garden
Cameron Carpenter, soloist

SHADES MOUNTAIN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Luke 13:31-35

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks Be to God.

SERMON

"The Fox and the Hen"

Dr. Curtis Christian

*HYMN #87

The Glory of These Forty Days
verse 1

ERHALT UNS, HERR

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #579

Gloria Patri

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERINGS FOR THE MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY #592

Old Hundredth

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

BEARING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN #100

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
verses 1 and 5

ROCKINGHAM

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION *Lord, Grant That We Shall to You Be True*

ERHALT UNS, HERR

*POSTLUDE

These are The Holy Ten Commandments

J.P. Sweelinck

*Those who are able, please stand

***Late Arrivals Seated

Today's Lay Reader is Philip Gump.