

THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday, March 1, 2026

The Second Sunday in Lent

11:00 a.m.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

WELCOME

PRELUDE

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
Amanda Tipton, flute

HAMBURG

INTROIT

Our Help is from the Lord (from Psalm 121)
Jordan Durham, soloist

Guimont

*CALL TO WORSHIP

(Adapted from Psalm 121:1-8)

Leader: We lift up our eyes to the hills—

People: From where will our help come?

Leader: Our help comes from You, O Lord,

People: You, Who made heaven and earth.

Leader: You, O Lord, will keep us from all evil;

People: You will keep our lives.

Leader: You, O Lord, will keep our going out and our coming in,

People: From this time on and forevermore.

*HYMN #210

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past
verses 1 and 2

ST. ANNE

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God of holy righteousness: Your perfection reminds us of our blemished lives, and Your unconditional love condemns our judgmental attitudes. Fill us with Your cleansing love that we may regard one another with compassion and forgive one another the hurts we inflict. Create in us new hearts, O Lord, that we may receive Your forgiveness. Grant us pure motives; help us to render sacrificial service; and forgive us for all that displeases You. In Christ's holy 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

ANTHEM

Down to the River to Pray

Traditional

Children and Youth Choir, Isaac Brooks, director

WORDS WITH OUR YOUNG CHURCH

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

ANTHEM

Vale of Prayer

Lutz/Underwood

Beth Underwood, soloist

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

John 3:1-17

New Testament, pp. 71-72

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks Be to God.

SERMON

“The World Which God Loves”

Dr. Curtis Christian

*HYMN #309

Of the Father's Love Begotten
verses 1 and 2

DIVINUM MYSTERIUM

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 #310

Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee
verses 1 and 4

ST. AGNES

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION

Come to Me

AUSTIN

*POSTLUDE

*Those who are able, please stand

***Late Arrivals Seated

Today's Lay Reader is Mark Pitts.