

The Second Sunday in Lent

Preservice Music/Ringing of the Bell/Welcome

INVOCATION

Psalm 115:11–13, 18; antiphon: Psalm 25:6

R In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

R Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love,
for they have been from of old.

**C You who fear the LORD, trust in the LORD! He is their help
and their shield.**

R The LORD has remembered us; he will bless us; he will bless the
house of Israel; he will bless the house of Aaron;

**C He will bless those who fear the LORD,
both the small and the great.**

R We will bless the LORD from this time forth and forevermore.
Praise the LORD!

**C Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever.
Amen.**

R Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love,
for they have been from of old.

SONG *"Come, Now is the Time to Worship"*

Come, now is the time to worship.

Come, now is the time to give your heart.

Come, just as you are to worship.

Come, just as you are before your God, come.

One day every tongue will confess You are God.

One day every knee will bow.

Still the greatest treasure remains

For those who gladly choose You now.

Come, now is the time to worship.

Come, now is the time to give your heart.

Come, just as you are to worship.

Come, just as you are before your God,

Come, ... come, ... come.

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OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 17:1-7,15-16

When Abram was ninety-nine years old the LORD appeared to Abram and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless, that I may make my covenant between me and you, and may multiply you greatly." Then Abram fell on his face. And God said to him, "Behold, my covenant is with you, and you shall be the father of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham, for I have made you the father of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful, and I will make you into nations, and kings shall come from you. And I will establish my covenant between me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.

And God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her name Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover, I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall become nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

Romans 5:1-11

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die—but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. More than

that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ,
through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSE *"Oh, How He Loves You and Me"*

Oh, how He loves you and me; Oh, how He loves you and me.

He gave His life what more could He give?

Oh, how He loves you; Oh, how He loves me;

Oh, how He loves you and me.

**Jesus to Calvary did go, His love for sinners to show,
What He did there brought hope from despair.**

Oh, how He loves you; Oh, how He loves me;

Oh, how He loves you and me.

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(Stand)

GOSPEL READING

Mark 8:27–38

P The holy Gospel according to Saint Mark, the eighth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

And Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi. And on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" And they told him, "John the Baptist; and others say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets." And he asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Christ." And he strictly charged them to tell no one about him.

And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again. And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man."

And he called to him the crowd with his disciples and said to them, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? For what can a man give in

return for his life? For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

CONFESSION OF SINS

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my own fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.

C The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins. Amen.

C I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my own fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.

P The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. *John 20:23*

C Amen.

APOSTLES' CREED

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 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 to judge the living and the dead.

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

(Sit)

HYMN OF THE DAY LSB 570

“Just as I Am, Without One Plea”

CHILDREN’S TALK

SERMON “Who is Jesus? Mark 8:28

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Lord in Your mercy . . . Hear our prayer.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD’S PRAYER

SONGS DURING THE LORD’S SUPPER

SONG

“What A Friend We Have in Jesus”

What a friend we have in Jesus
All our sins and griefs to bear
What a privilege to carry
Ev’rything to God in pray’r
Oh what peace we often forfeit
Oh what needless pain we bear
All because we do not carry
Ev’rything to god in pray’r

Chorus

What a friend we have in Jesus
What a friend we have in Him
For He knows us and He holds us in his hands
And his grace is never failing
And his love without an end
What a friend we have in Jesus
What a friend we have in Him

Have we trials and temptations
is there trouble anywhere

**We should never be discouraged
Take it to the lord in pray'r
Can we find a friend so faithful
Who will all our sorrows share
Jesus knows our every weakness
Take it to the lord in pray'r** *Chorus*

ENDING:

*What a friend we have in Jesus,
What a friend we have in him.*

“A Simple Word Of Grace”

**A simple word of grace is all I need,
flowing from a cross, a cross for me.
A gentle word of love is all I need,
Flowing from a cross a cross for me.**

Chorus:

**Jesus, You have given me
All of Your grace so tenderly.
I lift my hand and praise Your name.
Jesus, You have given me
all of Your love on Calvary.
I lift my heart into Your hands.**

**A simple word of hope is all I need,
flowing from Your love, Your love for me.
A gentle word of peace is all I need,
Flowing from Your love, Your love for me.**

Chorus

**Teach me, Lord, to share Your simple grace,
Flowing from your love, Your love for me.
Teach me, Lord, to live as You have lived,
Gently flowing from Your love for me.**

Chorus

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"You Are the Light of the World"

You are the light of the world,

You are the light of the world.

So shine, shine, shine where you are.

You are the light of the world.

You are a city on a hill.....

You are a candle in the dark.....

You are a star in the night.....

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POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG

"Once Again"

Jesus Christ, I think upon Your sacrifice;

You became nothing poured out to death.

Many times I've wondered at Your gift of life

And I'm in that place once again I'm in that place once again.

Chorus:

Once again I look upon the cross where You died.

I'm humbled by Your mercy and I'm broken inside.

Once again I thank You, once again I pour out my life.

Now You are exalted to the highest place

King of the heavens where one day I'll bow.

But for now I marvel at this saving grace

And I'm full of praise once again; I'm full of praise once again.

Chorus

(BRIDGE)

Thank You for the cross; Thank You for the cross

Thank You for the cross, my Friend. *Sing bridge twice.*

Chorus:

Once again I look upon the cross where You died.

I'm humbled by Your mercy and I'm broken inside.

Once again I thank You, once again I pour out my life.

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with the congregation
next Sunday, March 3rd
for the

150th Anniversary Celebration
at 10:00 AM.

One service only.

*Catered Meal following the
service.*

Former Associate Pastor
Bernard Ross
is our guest for the day.