

# Second Sunday in Lent

February 25, 2018



## SERVICE OUTLINE

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### INTROIT *Ps. 115:11–13, 18; antiphon: Ps. 25:6*

Remember your mercy, O Lord, and your | steadfast love,\*  
**for they have been | from of old.**

You who fear the Lord, trust | in the Lord!\*

**He is their help | and their shield.**

The Lord has remembered us; he will | bless us;\*

**he will bless the house of Israel; he will bless the house of | Aaron;**

he will bless those who | fear the Lord,\*

**both the small | and the great.**

We will | bless the Lord\*

**from this time forth and forevermore. | Praise the Lord!**

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\* and to the Holy | Spirit;  
as it was in the be- | ginning,\* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

Remember your mercy, O Lord, and your | steadfast love,\*  
**for they have been | from of old.**

### COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### GRADUAL *Heb. 12:2*

[O come, let us fix our eyes on] | Jesus,\*

**the founder and perfecter | of our faith,**

who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despis | ing  
the shame,\*

**and is seated at the right hand of the | throne of God.**

**DAILY READINGS** February 25: Job 20:1–23, 29; John 8:21–38; 26: Job 21:1–21; John 8:39–59; 27: Job 30:16–31; John 9:1–23; 28: Job 31:1–12, 33–40; John 9:24–41; **March 1:** Job 33:1–18; John 10:22–42; 2: Job 33:19–34:9; John 11:1–16; 3: Job 34:10–33; John 11:17–37. The Introit, Collect, and Gradual are from *Lutheran Service Book: Altar Book*, copyright © 2006 CPH. All Scripture quotations, including those from *Lutheran Service Book*, are from the ESV® Bible (The Holy Bible, English Standard Version®), copyright © 2001 by Crossway, a publishing ministry of Good News Publishers. Used by permission. All rights reserved. © CPH Printed in USA Concordia Publishing House • Your church's publisher • Visit us at CPH.org 1824

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### **Old Testament Reading: Genesis 17:1–7, 15–16**

1When 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, 2that I may make my covenant between me and you, and may multiply you greatly.” 3Then Abram fell on his face. And God said to him, 4“Behold, my covenant is with you, and you shall be the father of a multitude of nations. 5No 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. 6I will make you exceedingly fruitful, and I will make you into nations, and kings shall come from you. 7And 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.” . . . 15And God said to Abraham, “As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her name Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. 16I 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.”

### **Epistle: Romans 5:1–11**

1Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. 2Through 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. 3More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, 4and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, 5and 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. 6For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. 7For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die—8but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. 9Since,

therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. 10For 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. 11More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

### **Holy Gospel: Mark 8:27–38**

27And 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?” 28And they told him, “John the Baptist; and others say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets.” 29And he asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Christ.” 30And he strictly charged them to tell no one about him. 31And 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. 32And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. 33But 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.” 34And 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. 35For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel’s will save it. 36For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? 37For what can a man give in return for his life? 38For 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.”