

Sunday, February 25, 2024, 11:15am
2nd Sunday in Lent
Lent...It's All About



Opening Praise Song

P: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Our Lenten journey continues toward the cross.

C: It's a journey marked with suffering,

P: but suffering produces endurance,

C: endurance produces character,

P: character produces hope,

C: and hope in Christ does not put us to shame.

P: Our hope in Jesus is strong and living, yet we have often taken for granted the profound reality of Christ's death for us. We have ignored how weak and ungodly we have been. Still, our heavenly Father grants us access to His throne of grace, to ask for His forgiveness.

Silence for reflection.

P: Heavenly Father,

C: I have lacked integrity and acted shamefully, and I have even despaired of life itself. Have mercy upon me, and reconcile me back to You, so that I may rejoice once more, on account of Jesus. Amen.

P: At just the right time, while we were still weak and ungodly, Jesus died for us and reconciled us to God. As a called and ordained servant of Jesus 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.

C: Amen. I am forgiven and at peace with God.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Together, let us pray.

C: Lord Jesus Christ, in Your perfect timing, You died for us who are weak and ungodly. Be present with us as we endure the sufferings of this world, so that we may learn how suffering leads to endurance, character, and a hope that never puts us to shame; for

**You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God,
now and forever. Amen.**

Children's Time

Genesis 17:1–7, 15–16

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Romans 5:1–11

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

P: The Holy Gospel and Sermon Text according to St. Matthew the 26th Chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

(Matthew 26:36-46)

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

Sermon Praise Song

The Sermon *It's All About Complacency*

The Gathering of our Gifts and Tithes

The Prayers of His Children

P: Lord, in Your mercy **C: Hear our prayer**

P: Jesus, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray,

C: 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but

deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

God's Benediction

Sending Praise Song