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*Second Sunday in Lent*  
*March 1, 2026*



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*Whether this is your first time with us or you have been here your whole life, **WELCOME** to the place where we stand together before God as equals. If you are new here and seeking a church home, please contact the church office at 419-257-3253 and leave a message.*

## **Assisting in Worship**

Organist: *Janet Goldner*  
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Scripture Reader & Prayer Leader: *Karen Krauss*  
Ushers: *Pam & Rick Van Mooy*  
Videographer: *Beth Williams*



## **To the Glory of God**

February Altar Candles, Bulletins, & Newsletters: [available for signup](#)

**The flowers** are given in honor for Ruth Patterson's birthday yesterday.

## **Food Pantry Needs**

The **March** requests for the Food Pantry are non-refrigerated juices and cereals. Thank you.

## **Did you pick up your Lent Calendar?**

Find them on the Information Table, pick one up, and take it home to help you through your Lenten journey. Join is for the Lenten Bible Study at any time.

# Order of Worship

Second Sunday in Lent, March 1, 2026

*God is glad you have joined us for worship today. At the symbol ✠ assembly members may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked upon us at baptism.*

*\*please stand, sit, or kneel as you feel comfortable.*

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## WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, & PRAYER REQUESTS

### PRELUDE WITH SILENT MEDITATIVE PRAYER

*Use your breath as a form of prayer as you listen to the music. When you breathe in, pray, "Loving God." When you exhale, pray, "help me to love like Jesus."*

### THE GREETING

Leader: the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **ALL: and also with you.**

**\*GATHERING HYMN #712** LORD, WHOSE LOVE IN HUMBLE SERVICE

### \*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Leader: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation. **ALL: Amen.**

Leader: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism. We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

**ALL: We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love. Amen.**

**\*KYRIE**

1, 3 Lord, . . . . have mer - cy. Lord, . . . . have mer - cy.  
 2 Christ, . . . . have mer - cy. Christ, . . . . have mer - cy.

Lord, . . . . have mer - cy. Lord, . . . . have mer - cy.  
 Christ, . . . . have mer - cy. Christ, . . . . have mer - cy.

**\*THANKSGIVING RESPONSE**

Leader: To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **ALL: Amen.**

**\*GLORY TO GOD**

SETTING #2 HYMNAL PAGE 121

*Refrain*  
 Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

1 Lord God. heav-en - ly King. al - might-y God and Fa - ther. we  
 wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.

*Refrain*  
 Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of  
 God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us; you are  
 seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

*Refrain*  
 Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

3 For you a - lone are the Ho-ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,  
 you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly  
 Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

*Refrain*  
 Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

## \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Leader: Please join me in the Prayer of the Day.

**ALL: Jesus washed the disciples' feet as a sign of service and compassion. Show us how to live and love in service and with compassion, for the sake of all your children. Amen.**

## FIRST READING

*(responsively)*

ISAIAH 53

Reader: Who has believed what we have heard? And to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?

**ALL: For he grew up before him like a young plant and like a root out of dry ground; he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him.**

Reader: He was despised and rejected by others; a man of suffering and acquainted with infirmity, and as one from whom others hide their faces he was despised, and we held him of no account.

**ALL: Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases, yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted.**

Reader: But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed.

**ALL: All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.**

Reader: He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth.

**ALL: By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people.**

Reader: They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him with affliction.

**ALL: When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the Lord shall prosper.**

Reader: Out of his anguish he shall see; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities.

**ALL: Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong, because he poured out himself to death and was numbered with the transgressors, yet he bore the sin of many and made intercession for the transgressors.**

Reader: Word of God, word of life. **ALL: Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM READING

PSALM 51:7-12

Reader: Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. <sup>8</sup>Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have crushed rejoice. <sup>9</sup>Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.

<sup>10</sup>Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. <sup>11</sup>Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me. <sup>12</sup>Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit.

Reader: Word of God, word of life. **ALL: Thanks be to God.**

## \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW pg 142 Setting 3



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and  
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in  
stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

## \*GOSPEL READING

JOHN 13:1-1

Leader: There is good news for us this day and it comes to us from the Gospel of John chapter 13. **ALL: Glory to you, O Lord.**

Leader: Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. <sup>2</sup>The devil had already decided that Judas son of Simon Iscariot would betray Jesus. And during supper <sup>3</sup>Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands and that he had come from God and was going to God, <sup>4</sup>got up from supper, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. <sup>5</sup>Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. <sup>6</sup>He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" <sup>7</sup>Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." <sup>8</sup>Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." <sup>9</sup>Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to him, "One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you." <sup>11</sup>For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean."

<sup>12</sup>After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had reclined again, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? <sup>13</sup>You call me Teacher and Lord, and you are right, for that is what I am. <sup>14</sup>So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. <sup>15</sup>For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. <sup>16</sup>Very truly, I tell you, slaves are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. <sup>17</sup>If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them.

Leader: The gospel of the Lord. **ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **THE MESSAGE**

### **HYMN OF THE DAY #715**

CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT

### **\*THE APOSTLE'S CREED**

**ALL: 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, died, 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.**

### **\*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE INTRODUCTION**

Prayer Leader: On this day, we come before You with hearts full of gratitude and humility. We lift up our community, our leaders, and all those in need.

### **\*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Prayer Leader: Hear us, O God, **ALL: your mercy is great.**

We pray for Ruth, Steve, Karen, Lisa, Bertha, Eloise, Rose Marie, Mike, Nancy, John, Becky, JoLynn, Emily, Carl, Jim, Kolton, Ron, Cheryl, Bob, Caroline, Marilyn, Barb, Howard, Grange, Owen, Mike, Diana, Nina, Sean, Judy, Christina, Mike, Riley, Dennis, Anita, Amy, Nickie, Eli, Mr. Doherty, Ron, Chase, Cheryl, A.J., Mavery, Caroline, Ethan, Brent, Richard, Michael, Cindy, John, Gary, Sue, Betty, David, LuAnn, Colene, Eva, Eric, Lisa, Don, Ashley, Mary, Pat, Gordon, Ellery, Ari, and Josh.

## \*SHARING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**ALL: And also with you.**

*Please share God's peace with those worshipping around you.*

## INVITATION FOR OFFERINGS

Leader: We offer prayers of confession and thanksgiving. We sing praises with grateful hearts and voices. We listen for the Word of God to guide us along our journey. Let us give our tithes and offerings to continue our service to the Lord through the ministry and mission of this congregation.

## OFFERTORY

### \*OFFERTORY RESPONSE #188

### CREATE IN ME A CLEAN HEART

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right  
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your  
pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -  
store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,  
and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

## \*OFFERING PRAYER

Leader: Let us pray.

**ALL: O God, maker of heaven and earth, your steadfast love embraces all creation. You send rain and sunshine to nourish the earth and bring forth its bounty. Through these gifts of bread and wine, draw us into the death and life of your Son, who calls us to bear witness to his saving work. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.**

## \*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Leader: Children of God, lift up your hearts. **ALL: Our hearts rejoice in the one who became one to us!**

Leader: We have beheld his glory, **ALL: the glory of the Father's only begotten Son.**

Leader: Holy are you, God of all creation! **ALL: Holy is Jesus Christ, your Son, who became servant to save us.**

Leader: Therefore, we celebrate his birth, his life, his death, and his resurrection. It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life.

**ALL: Born in the shadows of night, Christ is our light.**

**Dying on the cross, Christ is our life.**

**Rising from the tomb, Christ is our hope.**

**Returning to us once more, Christ is our promise.**

Leader: And so, with all creatures and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and sing:

## \*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

SETTING 3 HYMNAL PAGE 144



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -

san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

## \*THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Leader: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**ALL: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Leader: In the unity of the Holy Spirit, we pray the prayer Jesus taught us saying,

## \*THE LORD'S PRAYER

**All: 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

### \*THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Leader: Come to the table. Feast on God's goodness and mercy.

### DISTRIBUTION

### \*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Leader: Please join with me in prayer. God of our salvation,

**ALL: we give you thanks for this meal that restores our souls, reconciles us to you, and strengthens us for the journey. Through the body and blood of your Son, may we become Christ's body in the world, bearing witness to your love for all creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

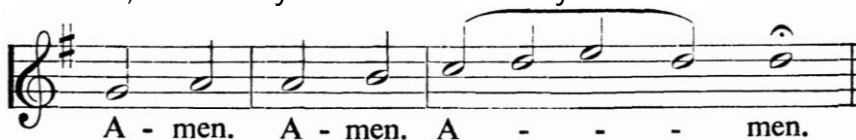
### \*HYMN AFTER COMMUNION      LAMB OF GOD      Setting 2, hymnal pg. 235

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on  
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

## \*BLESSING

Leader: Receive the blessing of the holy Trinity: God, who calls all things into existence, Jesus Christ, who redeems us, and the Holy Spirit, whose breath sustains creation, ✠ bless you now and always.

## \*The Amen



## \*SENDING HYMN #779

AMAZING GRACE, HOW SWEET THE SOUND

## \*DISMISSAL

Leader: Go in peace. Believe the Good News.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

*As we leave worship each week, we remember the poor around the world by placing loose offerings in the “hunger bowls” on the Information Table in the Narthex. These gifts are then forwarded to the ELCA World Hunger Program.*

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Please help to keep our Prayer List up-to-date by notifying the church office of any changes, additions or deletions.

**WE GIVE THANKS:** for leadership of those leading our Lenten Bible Study and providing the meals. Thanks be to God!

**MEMBERS:** Ruth McKee, Steve Pritts, Karen Krauss, Lisa Claybaugh, Bertha Carter, Eloise Matthes, Rose Marie Hosley, Mike Wheeler, Nancy Wymer, John Stewart, JoLynn Stewart, Emily Meyerson, Carl Lieser, Jim Wymer, Kolton Williams, Ron Bean, Cheryl Kruse, Bob Kelley, Caroline Lieser, Marilyn Ziegler, Barb Williams.

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**GRIEVING:** the family and friends of **Vera Sheets** who passed away on February 14. Vera was the Vice-president of the Central Conference of Lutheran Women serving with Carol Williams.

**MILITARY:** for all those who are in training and who are serving in the military & their families; the chaplains (*especially those in combat zones*); grieving families and friends of those who died while serving.

**WIDER CHURCH PRAYERS:** all ministries of the **ELCA (Evangelical Lutheran Church in America)**, our presiding **Bishop Yehiel Curry**, all our bishops, pastors, and leaders of the congregations of the **NWOS (Northwestern Ohio Synod)**, **Bishop Daniel Beaudoin**, and our 15 Central Conference congregations.



# Sharing GOD'S STORY @ home

## SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THE WEEK

"For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you."

—John 13:15.

## DAILY BIBLE READINGS

*Something to consider as you read: What is happening to Jesus in each of these stories? What does it mean to faithful?*

|           |               |                                    |
|-----------|---------------|------------------------------------|
| Sunday    | John 13:1-17  | Jesus Serves                       |
| Monday    | John 13:21-30 | Jesus' Betrayal Foretold           |
| Tuesday   | John 13:31-38 | Peter Will Deny Jesus              |
| Wednesday | John 14:1-7   | Do Not Let Your Hearts Be Troubled |
| Thursday  | John 15:1-7   | Jesus Is the True Vine             |
| Friday    | John 17:1-5   | Jesus Prays for His Disciples      |
| Saturday  | John 18:1-11  | Jesus Is Arrested                  |
| Sunday    | John 18:12-27 | Peter Denies Jesus                 |

*If your household includes younger children, use a child-friendly Bible. You might find that the children's Bible you are using may not include the very story assigned for the DAILY BIBLE READINGS. Read to your kids anyway. Just pick a story!*

## SERVICE CHALLENGE

*SERVICE is how we enact God's great love for the entire world.*

Create a service jar for the week. Write seven challenges onto slips of paper, like folding laundry, emptying the dishwasher, or taking out the trash. Place the slips of paper in a jar. Each day a different person pulls a slip of paper out of the jar. If someone needs help completing the challenge, serve together in doing the task.

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