

The Church at Worship

**Those who are able are invited to stand.
Congregational responses and unison readings are indicated in bold.*

The Gathering

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of the living, through baptism we pass from the shadow of death to the light of the resurrection. Remain with us and give us hope that, rejoicing in the gift of the Spirit who gives life to our mortal flesh, we may be clothed with the garment of immortality, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Let us not be ashamed of our Savior. Let us sing and praise our God out loud.

People: In the midst of the crowd, we will praise you. In our community, we will bear witness to our faith.

Leader: Let us set our minds on divine things.

People: Let us take up our cross and follow Christ.

*HYMN OF PRAISE *Just A Closer Walk With Thee* # 394

CALL TO CONFESSION

When we cry to God in prayer and confession, God hears. Let us approach God’s throne of grace with confidence and faith.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Savior God, this Lenten season has shown us our weaknesses. We are small minded, we are weak, we do not lean on our faith the way you taught us to do. We need you to not only forgive us for these things but to constantly remind us to be strong. You did not promise an easy life

but you did promise us everlasting life. Keep our eyes on the long game of life, not worrying and fretting over things that you have already taken care of. Forgive us lord, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: God does not forsake us. Our God is a gracious God, abounding in steadfast love. Know that in Jesus Christ, you are forgiven and be at peace.

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

The Response to Forgiveness

**Gloria Patri* #620

THE PEACE OF CHRIST

One: *The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ which passes all understanding be with you all.*

All: And also with you.

(Please turn to those around you and extend the hand of peace and friendship)

*HYMN OF RESPONSE *God of Grace and God of Glory* #514

The Word

SCRIPTURE Mark 8:31-38
 John 16:33

SERMON “Take Courage”
 RE Cindy Lanphear

The Response

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostle’s 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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Eucharist

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

**DOXOLOGY* # 623

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all people here below;
Praise God above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father; Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

The Sending

*CLOSING HYMN *He Leadeth Me* #447

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*CHORAL RESPONSE *God Be With You* #583

POSTLUDE

Congregational Care

Pat Farmer’s sister, Heber, Rosemary Harris and her helper Linda; Ethan, friend of Nebe ; Lee Franklin Laster & wife, Darlene; Emma Lollar; Glenda Moore’s nephew, Brad; Terry Thomas, the Rev. Tracy Williams; those unable to attend church and those serving in the military, as missionaries and in works of mercy and relief around the world and their families.

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SESSION serves as the governing council of the church.

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Class of 2025

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Louan Pyron

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	NOTES FROM TODAY'S LESSONS



2nd Sunday in Lent

February 25, 2024

Worship 10:00 a.m.