

Second Sunday in Lent

March 1, 2026

9:30 AM

The Congregation Gathers:

Prelude
Welcome and Announcements – *Derek Winterboer*
Lenten Reading: “The Nails”

For Praise:

✠ Song of Praise #364 “My Jesus, I Love Thee”
✠ Prayer of Confession (read in unison)

Almighty God, you despise nothing you have made, and you forgive the sins of all who are penitent. Create in us new and contrite hearts, that, truly repenting of our sins and acknowledging our brokenness, we may obtain from you, the God of all mercy, full pardon and forgiveness, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

✠ Words of Assurance
✠ Ascription of Praise #623 “Gloria Patri”
✠ Passing of the Peace
Ministry in Music – *Video*

For Reflection:

Children’s Message
Old Testament Lesson – Genesis 3:8-19 (pages 5-6)
Response Psalm – Psalm 27:1-6 (pages 864-865)
New Testament Lesson – Romans 5:1-11 (pages 1752-1753)
Message: “**Peace with God**”
Prayer of Commitment
✠ Hymn #404 “The Solid Rock”

For Response:

Receiving of Tithes and Offerings
✠ Offertory Response #625 “Doxology”
✠ Presentation of our Gifts to God (read in unison)

Compassionate God, we offer you these gifts as signs of our time and labor. Receive the offering of our lives and feed us with your grace, that in the midst of death all creation might feast on your unending life in Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Church Family Ties
Congregational Prayer and “*The Lord’s Prayer*”
✠ Benediction
✠ Closing Song “In Christ Alone”
Postlude

✠ *Please stand during these acts of worship.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The scripture and message will be posted on Facebook. You may view the worship service live in the kitchen, the Family Life Center, and the nursery.

During this Lenten season, we have readings and symbols which help focus attention on both the sorrowful aspect of Lent, as well as anticipation of the hope and newness of Resurrection Sunday.

Children in preschool-5th grade may leave during the closing song to go to “Little Lambs” Choir and their Sunday School class. Youth in 6th-12th grades meet in the chapel at 10:40 AM for Bible Study.

Adults are invited to bring their coffee to the Family Life Center for a new study series on Elijah: Living Securely in an Insecure World. Every day the news reinforces what we want to forget—we live in an insecure world. Elijah’s times were no safer. He faced famine, murder and corruption—with both courage and fear. Come join this study series led by Pastor Harlan. Today’s session is “Obeying God in Times of Terror.”

March newsletters have been sent by email. Printed newsletters are available by the mailboxes in the fellowship hall.

A community World Day of Prayer service will be held Saturday, March 7, at Chancellor First Baptist Church. Coffee and fellowship begin at 9:30 AM, followed by the service at 10:00 AM. The speaker is Pastor Jim Wipf. An offering will go to the Union Gospel Mission. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Spring Forward! Daylight Saving Time begins next Sunday, March 8.

Thank you for welcoming me to speak about the blessing of Love INC in our local communities. Thank you for your generosity in sharing your thoughtful donations. With you as a partner church, we are doing Christ’s work. *Michelle Paulson, Love In the Name of Christ*

Thank you for your collection of food items for the food pantry. We appreciate your gifts and they went on the shelves immediately to help families in the area. You have blessed many people. *The Exchange Food Pantry*

Words of Hope devotion books are available by our mailboxes or online at **woh.org**. Please share them with others.

Digging Deeper Bible Study at Inspiration Hills on Saturday, March 14, will help participants grow in their understanding of Scripture. Whether new to Bible study or seasoned, attendees will learn practical tools for understanding, interpreting, and applying God’s Word. The cost is \$25 for materials, meal, and snacks. Register at <https://www.inspirationhills.org/deep>

A banquet for Freedom’s Gate and Living Stone Prison Church will be held Thursday, March 26, at 6:30 PM at Gate City in Canton. RSVP to Ruth at 605-366-3624. Pastor Dan and Pastor Jason will give ministry updates. Former inmates will share how God has used the ministry to encourage and strengthen their Christian journey.

An “Art of Marriage” Retreat will be held at Inspiration Hills on March 27-29. This weekend uses Family Life curriculum to help couples reconnect, strengthen their relationship, and grow together in Christ. The cost is \$50 per couple for lodging, meals, materials. Register at <https://www.inspirationhills.org/marriage>

Register now for summer camps at Inspiration Hills. There are day camps, lodge camps, wilderness camps, girls only, guys only, take me fishing, saddle up, and grand camps. Register online at inspirationhills.org before April 15 for the best rates. Complete a blue camp fee assistance form (by our mailboxes) and Second Reformed will pay up to half your fee.

Go to www.secondreformed.com to join our email prayer chain group. Click "services" at the top of the page, scroll down and click the "join" button in the prayer chain section. Contact Jerod Zimmer or Kristi Rops for assistance. **You may also participate in a phone prayer chain group.** Contact Kristi Rops or Joann Muller to be added to a phone group.

Contact Jerod Zimmer, Shellene Smidt, or Charish Weeldreyer if you would like to give offerings by automatic bank withdrawals.

Last Sunday we received \$2,233 for the general fund (\$3,457 needed weekly to meet the general fund budget).

TODAY:

Welcome to Second Reformed Church! We invite all visitors to sign the guest book and to join us for fellowship following worship.

Music: Denise Snoozy

Greeters: Brad & Teresa Smidt

Coffee: David & Margaret Rupert

8:55-9:25 AM – Koffee Kiosk (bring your own covered mug)

9:30 AM – Worship Service

10:25 AM – Preschool-5th grade "Little Lambs" Choir and Sunday School

10:30 AM – Coffee/Fellowship time

10:40 AM – 6th-12th Grade Bible Study in the chapel

Adults meet in the Family Life Center for Elijah study series

11:15 AM – Classes dismiss

THIS WEEK:

Wednesday – 6th-12th Grade Youth go to movie in Viborg

Elder and Deacon meetings at 7:00 PM

Consistory meeting at 7:30 PM; Lunch – Derek Winterboer

Friday – Bulletin information due by 9:00 AM

NEXT SUNDAY:

Daylight Saving Time Begins; Koffee Kiosk from 8:55-9:25 AM; Worship Service at 9:30 AM; Music – Helen Groen; Greeters & Special Music Coordinators – Brian & Shellene Smidt; Coffee/Cookie Servers – Verlyn & Joann Muller, Marc & Charish Weeldreyer, and Lynda DeJong; Little Lambs Choir/Sunday School for Preschool-5th Grade at 10:25 AM; Fellowship/Coffee at 10:30 AM; 6th-12th Grade Youth meet in the chapel at 10:40 AM; Adult study series on Elijah at 10:40 AM in the FLC; Classes dismiss at 11:15 AM

PRAYERS:

Pray for open hearts to hear and believe the Gospel message during this Lenten season.

Glorify God

Renew Through Christ's Resurrection

Affirm the Gifts of the Holy Spirit

Commit to Compassion

Evangelize All the Earth



This man [Jesus of Nazareth] was handed over to you by God's set purpose and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men, put him to death by nailing him to the cross.

Acts 2:23

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