

## Second Sunday in Lent

March 16, 2025

9:30 AM

### The Congregation Gathers:

Prelude  
Welcome and Announcements – *Beverly Winterboer*

### For Praise:

✠ Song of Praise “My Jesus, I Love Thee”  
✠ Prayer of Confession

**Most merciful God whose Son, Jesus Christ, was tempted in every way, yet was without sin, we confess before you our own sinfulness; we have hungered after that which does not satisfy; we have compromised with evil; we have doubted your power to protect us. Forgive our lack of faith; have mercy on our weakness. Restore in us such trust and love that we may walk in your ways and delight in doing your will. 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: **“Where Are You?”**  
Prayer of Commitment  
✠ Affirmation of Faith #717 “The Nicene Creed”  
✠ Hymn “My Hope is Built (Solid Rock)”

### For Response:

Receiving of Tithes and Offerings  
✠ Offertory Response #625 “Doxology”

**Gracious God, out of your love and mercy you breathed into dust the breath of life, creating us to serve you and our neighbors. Call forth our prayers and acts of tenderness and strengthen us to face our mortality, that we may reach with confidence for your mercy in Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Church Family Ties  
Congregational Prayer and “*The Lord’s Prayer*”  
✠ Benediction  
✠ Closing Song “Blessed Assurance”  
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.

Tithes and offerings may be designated for technology, helping hand, mission, memorial, or building funds. Undesignated gifts go to general fund.

Children in preschool-4<sup>th</sup> grade may go to the Family Life Center for “Little Lambs” Choir and Sunday School during the closing song. Grades 5-8 will meet at 10:45 AM in room 14 upstairs. All classes end at 11:15 AM.

A Sunday School class for youth and adults is meeting during the Lenten season at 10:45 in the sanctuary using a video/discussion series on Max Lucado’s “He Chose the Nails.” A companion book is available in our library.

Love In the Name of Christ of Greater Lennox and Turner County is holding an Anniversary Open House at their offices at Faith Presbyterian Church located east of Jerry’s Auto. **Lunch will be served from 12:00–2:00 PM today.** Come learn more about Love INC and serving those in need.

An inquirer’s class for anyone interested in church membership is meeting each Sunday of March at 4:00 PM.

Little Lambs Choir will provide special music next Sunday, Mar 23. Please have your little singers to the Family Life Center at 9:20 for a quick practice.

Donations for the Foster Care program will be received in March. You may donate full-sized personal care items: shampoo, body wash, socks, toothpaste, toothbrushes, hairbrushes, etc. Small suitcases and/or carry bags are also needed (must be new). Place donations on the table in the fellowship hall.

April newsletter information is due in the office by 9:00 AM on Monday, March 24.

The Brave Little One Foundation is looking for volunteers to help make a meaningful impact through Pruitt’s Closet, a project dedicated to modifying/ sewing clothing to be accessible for children with feeding tubes at no cost. We have been incredibly blessed with the number of donations we have received thus far, and we truly appreciate any help you can offer. If you are interested in volunteering or have any questions please reach out to Jordan Kruse via email at [bravelittleonefoundation@gmail.com](mailto:bravelittleonefoundation@gmail.com) or via text at 605-799-6479. Thank you for considering this opportunity to give back. We hope to hear from you!

Union Gospel Mission Anniversary Celebration is Monday, March 17, with a short meeting at 1:00. Tours begin at 2:00 and dinner will be served at 6:00. RSVP for the dinner and a special presentation at 7:00 PM. Email Ann at [Annij@ugmsiouxfalls.com](mailto:Annij@ugmsiouxfalls.com) and bring friends with you.

Living Stone Prison Church & Freedom’s Gate Church are holding a banquet on Thursday, March 20, at 6:30 PM at Bethany Reformed Church in Canton. The evening includes a meal, entertainment, fellowship, ministry updates, and testimonies from former inmates. RSVP to 605-366-3624.

Go to [www.secondreformed.com](http://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.

In celebration of 50 years of ministry at Inspiration Hills, this year's summer camp theme is based on Hebrews 13:8 "Christ is the Same Yesterday, Today, and Forever!" Inspiration Hills offers a variety of camps for kids from 1st-12th grade. Learn more and register online at [inspirationhills.org](http://inspirationhills.org). Blue fee assistance forms are available by our mailboxes.

Last week we received \$1,405 for general fund (\$3,307 needed weekly to meet the general fund budget) and \$250 for the mission fund.

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

#### **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: Alex & Elizabeth Sinning

Coffee: Keith & Leanne Lefers and Dean & Emilie Mann

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

9:30 AM – Worship Service

10:25 AM – Little Lambs Choir and Preschool-4<sup>th</sup> Grade Sunday School

10:30 AM – Coffee/Fellowship Time

10:45 AM – 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade and Youth/Adult Sunday School

11:15 AM – Sunday School classes dismiss

4:00 PM – Inquirer's Class

#### **THIS WEEK:**

Wednesday – 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade Youth at 7:40 PM at First English Lutheran  
High School Youth at 7:40 PM at First English Lutheran

Friday – Bulletin information due by 9:00 AM

#### **NEXT SUNDAY:**

Koffee Kiosk from 8:55-9:25 AM; Little Lambs practice at 9:20 AM; Worship Service at 9:30 AM; Music – Helen Groen; Greeters & Special Music Coordinators – Steve & Patty Sinning; Coffee/Cookie Servers – Verlyn & Joann Muller and Marc & Charish Weeldreyer; Little Lambs Choir and Preschool-4<sup>th</sup> Grade Sunday School at 10:25 AM; Fellowship/Coffee at 10:30 AM; 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade and Youth/Adult Sunday School at 10:45 AM; Sunday School classes end at 11:15 AM; Inquirer's Class at 4:00 PM

#### **PRAYERS:**

Having trouble getting started praying some days? Try the **Pray TACOS** guideline for focused prayer time.

**T** (thankful for all you have and God's love)

**A** (adoration for God the father, Jesus the son, and Holy Spirit our helper),

**C** (confession of your sins),

**O** (pray for others)

**S** (pray for self)

*Glorify God*

*Renew Through Christ's Resurrection*

*Affirm the Gifts of the Holy Spirit*

*Commit to Compassion*

*Evangelize All the Earth*

*The Lord  
is my Light  
and my Salvation  
Psalm 27:1*

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