

Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

February 8, 2026

9:30 AM

The Congregation Gathers:

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements – *Kim Geiken*

For Praise:

†Songs of Praise #383 “Open Our Eyes, Lord”
#451 “O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee”

†Prayer of Confession (read in unison)

God blesses those who realize their need for him. But we have been proud in spirit, inflated with pride in our self-sufficiency. God blesses those who mourn. But we have not mourned over our sins. God blesses those who are gentle and lowly. But we have valued toughness over gentleness. God blesses those who are hungry and thirsty for justice. But we have hungered after the pleasures of this world. God blesses those who are merciful. But we have been harsh judges over others, placing blame on anything or anyone but ourselves. God blesses those whose hearts are pure. But we have defiled our hearts with idols of our choosing. God blesses those who work for peace. But we create strife by demanding our way rather than by walking in God’s Spirit. God blesses those who are persecuted because they live for God. But we have sought to please the world. Lord, have mercy upon us. Amen.

†Words of Assurance

†Ascription of Praise #623 “Gloria Patri”

†Passing of the Peace

Ministry in Music – *Little Lambs Choir*

For Reflection:

Children’s Message

Old Testament Lesson – Genesis 39:1-6 (page 64)

Response Psalm – Psalm 1 (pages 843-844)

New Testament Lesson – Matthew 5:1-12 (page 1501)

Message: “**Blessed**”

Prayer of Commitment

†Affirmation of Faith #716 “The Apostles’ Creed”

†Hymn #292 “God of Grace and God of Glory”

For Response:

Receiving of Tithes and Offerings

†Offertory Response #625 “Doxology”

†Presentation of our Gifts to God (read in unison)

Generous God, each moment is a gift from you. You give us all that we have. In gratitude, we offer our time, talents, and tithes. May they bless others as we have been blessed. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

Church Family Ties

Congregational Prayer and “*The Lord’s Prayer*”

†Benediction

†Closing Song “Let There Be Peace on Earth”

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.

Children in preschool-5th grades may leave during the closing song to go to “Little Lambs” choir and their Sunday School class. Youth and adults will not meet for classes today.

Everyone is invited to stay for a soup and sandwich meal furnished by the consistory at 11:20 this morning.

We will hold an Ash Wednesday service on February 18 at 7:00 PM with imposition of ashes. The Lord’s Supper will be served.

A huge thank you to everyone who attended the youth group Soup and Pie supper! We are also very grateful for all who made donations of food, desserts, and monetary contributions. We had a great turn out, and the funds raised will go a long way toward Rocky Mountain High this summer. *Marc and Nicole*

Anyone who would like their photo on the family tree in the fellowship hall may contact Sandy Zwart or give a print to her.

The Union Gospel Mission Lamplighters will meet Feb 20 at 2:00 PM at Eastside Lutheran Church, 1300 E 10th St, Sioux Falls. The Love Gift is pasta, rice, and spices for the UGM kitchen. All are welcome to attend.

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.

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.

Inspiration Hills is taking applications for Summer Staff 2026. Needed are counselors, coordinators, lifeguards, dishwashers, lawn mowers, wranglers, and more. Apply at www.inspirationhills.org/summer-staff or contact Lucas Draffen (712) 578-1422 with questions.

Love INC will start Transformational Ministries in February with new opportunities to volunteer such as providing transportation, serving meals, providing childcare during classes, and mentoring. Volunteers also provide office support, visit neighbors, and answer phone calls. Day and evening hours are available. The next **Volunteer Training event is February 10 at 6:00 PM**. Call Michelle Paulson at 605-681-6550 with questions or to register.

Hope Haven’s “Keys of Love” Dueling Piano Fundraiser will be Friday, February 13, at 7:00 PM, at The District in Sioux Falls. Come for a fun night of music and entertainment with Dueling Duo, Andy & Ryno. All proceeds support Hope Haven International Ministries in providing wheelchairs to those in need around the world. Tickets and details at hopehaven.org/events

Our church's adverse weather policy states that if school is canceled or dismissed early due to weather conditions; there will be no evening activities at the church. In the event of adverse weather on Sunday morning, cancellations will be announced through the prayer chain.

The new Words of Hope devotion booklets have arrived and are by the mailboxes in the fellowship hall. The devotions are also online at woh.org

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 \$2,355 for the general fund (\$3,457 needed weekly to meet the general fund budget) and \$150 for the mission fund.

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: Steve & Patty Sinning
Coffee: Marlin & Susan Bultena and Doyle & Jill Christensen
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
11:20 AM – Soup and Sandwich lunch

THIS WEEK:

Tuesday – "Sewing for Others" at 1:00 PM
Wednesday – 6th-8th Grade Youth at 6:30 PM
High School Youth at 7:40 PM
Friday – Bulletin information due by 9:00 AM

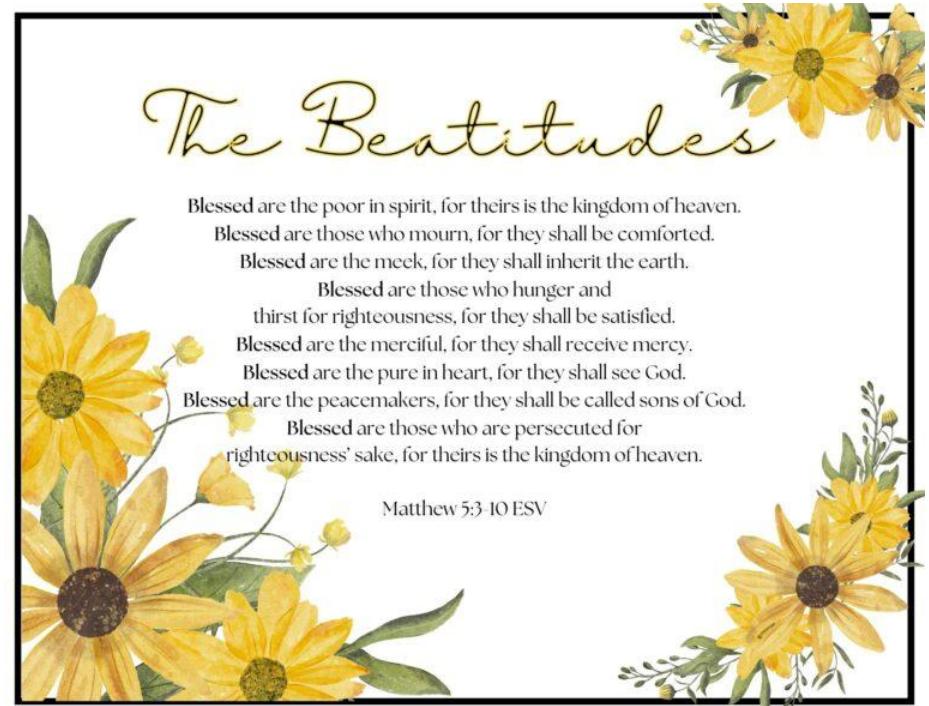
NEXT SUNDAY:

Koffee Kiosk from 8:55-9:25 AM; Worship Service at 9:30 AM; Music – Helen Groen; Greeters & Special Music Coordinators – Alex & Elizabeth Sinning; Coffee/Cookie Servers – Volunteers; 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; Adults meet in the FLC for video/discussion at 10:40 AM; Philathea Guild meeting at 10:40 AM; Classes dismiss at 11:15 AM

PRAYERS:

Pray for blessings on those who donate to and volunteer at the Exchange Food Pantry. Pray that those who receive the donations will be blessed physically and spiritually.

*Glorify God
Renew Through Christ's Resurrection
Affirm the Gifts of the Holy Spirit
Commit to Compassion
Evangelize All the Earth*



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