

**8:45 A.M. ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
**February 28, 2021**  
**SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT**

*(Please follow the ushers' direction on seating. We will maintain at least 6 feet between individuals unless you come as a family who live together.)*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**PRELUDE: "O God, My Faithful God" – J. Brahms**

P. We prepare our hearts and minds for worship, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C. Amen.**

**CONFESSION:**

**C. Almighty God, I have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. I have sinned by what I have done and what I have left undone. I have not loved you with my whole heart. I have not loved my neighbor as myself. Forgive me. Renew me. Lead me. I pray in the name of Jesus Christ, who suffered for us all and was raised from the dead, that first Easter. Amen.**

P. It is always my honor and privilege to announce that God has freely forgiven you and me. We stand here, trusting, by God's grace alone. We stand here as free men and women, boys and girls. May the wind of Pentecost move our hearts and our hands.

**C. Amen.**

**GATHERING HYMN: "All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly"**

- 1 All who hunger gather gladly;  
 holy manna is our bread.  
 Come from wilderness and wand'ring.  
 Here in truth we will be fed.  
 You that yearn for days of fullness,  
 all around us is our food.  
 Taste and see the grace eternal.  
 Taste and see that God is good.
- 2 All who hunger, never strangers;  
 seeker, be a welcome guest.  
 Come from restlessness and roaming.  
 Here in joy we keep the feast.  
 We that once were lost and scattered  
 in communion's love have stood.  
 Taste and see the grace eternal.  
 Taste and see that God is good.
- 3 All who hunger, sing together,  
 Jesus Christ is living bread.  
 Come from loneliness and longing.  
 Here in peace we have been fed.

Blest are those who from this table  
live their days in gratitude.  
Taste and see the grace eternal.  
Taste and see that God is good.

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## APOSTOLIC GREETING:

P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C. And also with you.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY:

Dear God, you told the prophets that our ways and our thoughts are not the same as yours. Help us to set our agendas aside. Enable us to form our plans according to your will. We ask in the name of the crucified and risen Jesus. Amen.

## BIBLE READINGS

SERMON: "Peter's Prejudice"

Pastor Larry Isbell

## HYMN OF THE DAY: "Seed That in Earth Is Dying"



1 Seed that in earth is dy - ing grows in - to ears of  
2 We were bap - tized in Je - sus, in - to his death and  
3 Seed that in earth is dy - ing ris - es to bear much



grain. Grapes that are crushed in the ves - sel  
grave, to res - ur - rec - tion's prom - ise:  
fruit. Christ, as we meet at your ta - ble,



turn in - to gold - en wine. God, through this mys - ter - y grant us  
praise and e - ter - nal life. Heav - en's own prais - es be - gin here  
give us the bread of life. Lord, we do thank and a - dore you!



faith in our deep - est dark - ness, life in our night and death.  
where you your - self are near us, deep in our night and death.  
Un - ceas - ing praise of the a - ges ris - es from night and death.

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**APOSTLES' CREED:**

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again 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.**

**THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH:**

*(At the end of each petition, the leader will say "Lord, in your mercy." Feel free to respond with "Hear our prayer.")*

**THE BLESSING OF THE OFFERING****COMMUNION LITURGY**

**P.** 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.

**THE LORD'S PRAYER:**

**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.**

**HOLY COMMUNION:**

*All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. We trust and teach the "real presence" of Jesus, in, with, and under the elements of bread and wine.*

**C. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

**Distribution:**

P. The body of Christ, given.  
*The communion wafer is consumed at this time.*

P: The blood of Christ, shed.  
*The communion wine is consumed at this time.*

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.  
**C: Amen.**

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER:**

P. Let us pray. We give you thanks almighty God that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift – in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C: Amen**

**BENEDICTION:**

P. Now may God, who has loved us with a love beyond all telling, send us forth to care for the world around us and to share the good news of that love, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C. Amen.**

**SENDING HYMN: “Go, My Children, with My Blessing”**

- 1 “Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.  
Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.  
In my love’s baptismal river  
I have made you mine forever.  
Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.”
  
- 2 “Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.  
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.  
Here you heard my dear Son’s story,  
here you touched him, saw his glory.  
Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.”
  
- 3 “Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me.  
Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.  
Here my Spirit’s power filled you,  
here my tender comfort stilled you.  
Go, my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free.”

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**DISMISSAL:**

- P. Go in peace! Serve the Lord!
- C. **Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE: “Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus” – P. Manz**

*(Please exit row by row, beginning with the back.  
Talk to others from a distance in the parking lot.)*

**Today’s altar flowers are offered to the glory of God.**