



First Presbyterian

CHURCH OF EASTON



A Service for the Worship of God

February 25, 2024

The Second Sunday in Lent

**Indicates an invitation to rise in body and/or spirit as you are able.*

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

GATHERING MUSIC

TOWER BELLS

PRELUDE

Be Thou My Vision (Hymn 339)

arr. Gilbert Martin

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING OF THE PEACE

WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalms 22

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord;

and all families of all nations shall worship before the Lord.

To God, indeed, shall all who sleep on the earth bow down:

Before God shall bow all who go down to the dust;

and who shall live for the Lord.

Future generations will be told about the Lord;

And proclaim God's deliverance to a people yet unborn;

Saying that the Lord has done it.

Come, let us worship God.

*HYMN 488 (V.1-3)

The God of Abraham Praise

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord, we do praise you and we bow before your holy name, for we are forever blest. We believe that your promises and faithfulness are sure and true. But we confess this morning that our faith is at times fickle, inconsistent and, sadly, unreliable. Our faith is as strong as the sun on the bright and joy-filled days of our lives. But our faith can seemingly evaporate when failure and trouble invade our lives. Send your Spirit to assure us with the steadfast faithfulness of Abraham that you, O Lord, are always present in all our days. In Jesus' name we pray.

Silent prayer

Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, just as the winds of fate shift and swing, so does our faith ebb and flow. But through the grace and sacrifice of our Lord Jesus, God sees us as steady, dependable and reliable. We are perfect in the eyes of the Lord and thus deserving of God's love, mercy and grace. Thanks be to God.

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Gloria Patri

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen. Amen.**

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Genesis 17:1-7; 15-16

Romans 4:13-25

SERMON

What's In A Name?

Rev. Larry Van Hise

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Humbled by God's generosity, let us offer our gifts to God and God's ministries through Christ's church.

*Please leave your offering in the boxes at the front and rear of the sanctuary
or make your gifts online or via mail.*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God, you meet our needs and transform us for service. Accept these gifts as signs of our gratitude and our commitment to witness to Christ's ministry in your world. Amen.

*RESPONSE

Doxology

**Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

*HYMN 276 (V.1-3)

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Hymn of Promise

Natalie Sleeth

Coffee hour will be held in the Brainerd Lounge today.

Worship Leaders

Rev. Larry Van Hise

Gloria Snyder, Organist

Elizabeth Campbell, Chancel Choir Director

Candy Gulotta, Liturgist

Carol Butler and Noralee Manzek, Coffee Hour Hosts

Tech Support: Jacob Van Norman, Bill Bartlett, Rich Linnell, Pat Koefoed

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