

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE
Second Sunday in Lent

CHURCH LIFE

February 25, 2024

10:00 AM

Prelude: Great Is Thy Faithfulness Rita Pittman
Welcome and Church Life Rev. Jonathon Kosec

*** Call to Worship**

Pastor: People of God, we gather for worship to practice joy; not because our lives are perfect, but because joy is resilient.

People: God's gift for every season and the wellspring of our heart of faith.

Pastor: When our sins feel heavy, and the world closes in upon us;

People: We practice joy.

Pastor: When we endure and practice joy together,

People: God is with us!

* Hymn # 78 "Great is Thy Faithfulness"

*** Invocation**

Offering I Surrender All

* Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Special Music Lord of the Dance Mark Pittman

Scripture Lesson Mark 8:31-38 Cindy Rossi

Sermon "Expectant Joy" Rev. Kosec

Hymn # 87 "Children of the Heavenly Father"

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn # 676 "Go, My Children"

Sending Prayer

*** Benediction**

Postlude: I have Decided to Follow Jesus Rita Pittman

*** You may choose to stand or remain seated.**

WELCOME TO YOU ALL: We are happy you chose to be with us this morning! Please be certain you sign our attendance sheets on the rear table before you leave.

PRAYER REQUESTS: If you have a special prayer request this morning, let Pastor Jon know before worship begins and it will be included. Thank you.

SECOND SUND OF LENT:

We move from Jesus' retreat to the desert and temptation by the devil to the glory shown in Jesus' Transfiguration. On the first Sunday of Lent, our Gospel always tells the story of Jesus' temptation in the desert. On the second Sunday, we always hear the story of Jesus' Transfiguration.



BIRTHDAYS

Vincent Sinnott 2/25, Sue Yalvar 2/25

Head Usher: Hal Bates

Usher/Greeters:

Barb Whitman & Norma Jolly

Scripture Reading

Mark 8:31-38

Then Jesus began to tell them that the Son of Man must suffer many terrible things and be rejected by the elders, the leading priests, and the teachers of religious law. He would be killed, but three days later he would rise from the dead. As he talked about this openly with his disciples, Peter took him aside and began to reprimand him for saying such things.

Jesus turned around and looked at his disciples, then reprimanded Peter. "Get away from me, Satan!" he said. "You are seeing things merely from a human point of view, not from God's."

Then, calling the crowd to join his disciples, he said, "If any of you wants to be my follower, you must give up your own way, take up your cross, and follow me. If you try to hang on to your life, you will lose it. But if you give up your life for my sake and for the sake of the Good News, you will save it. And what do you benefit if you gain the whole world but lose your own soul? Is anything worth more than your soul? If anyone is ashamed of me and my message in these adulterous and sinful days, the Son of Man will be ashamed of that person when he returns in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

SIGN IN, PLEASE! We are blessed to have you with us today and we invite you to use the sign-in sheets on the Welcome Table.

Attendance Last Week: 55

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