

*Your Friendly  
Community Church*



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*Second Sunday  
in Lent*

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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## WE GATHER AT GOD'S INVITATION

### PRELUDE

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Forrest Horn

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Lord entered into covenant with Abraham and Sarah,

**People: And not only with them, but also with us.**

Leader: At times they doubted because of their age,

**People: At times we doubt because of our sin.**

Leader: But the Lord is God, and the covenant is everlasting.

**All: O come, let us celebrate our covenant with the Lord.**

### \*HYMN

UMH #384

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

### \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

**O God, who creates all persons to bear your image, we marvel at the grace with which you surround us. You love us with a love we do not deserve. Teach us this day O Lord, to love you as you love us. Open our eyes that we might behold your image in us, discern your will for us, and heed your summons to us. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.**

### CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Judi Rose

We invite any children to participate.

## WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

### ANTHEM

Choir

"Lamb of God"

### \*PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**O God, raise our vision beyond our daily routine to the distant horizons of your sovereign rule. Let our actions be rendered with an eye only for your will for the human family. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.**

### \*GOSPEL LESSON

NT #102

John 14:12

### Message

Joe Buzhardt

"Connecting Eternal Souls,  
with the Eternal Word of God"

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

### PRAYER

#### 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. Amen.

### OFFERING

#### OFFERTORY

Lady Imperio

#### \*DOXOLOGY

UMH #95

#### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

UMH #881

## WE GO WITH GOD INTO THE WORLD

#### \*HYMN

UMH #527

"Do Lord, Remember Me"

#### \*BENEDICTION

#### \*AMEN RESPONSE

"Let the Church Say Amen"

#### \*POSTLUDE

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome you to our worship service this morning. If you are visiting, please complete a visitor's card located in your pew and place it in the offering plate.

We welcome in the pulpit today, Joe Buzhardt, Camp President with the Gideons. He will update us on the mission of the Gideons and our partnership with them. We are so grateful for his message this morning! We would like to thank all of our laity participating in our service this morning.

Pastor Laurie will return to Columbia today from Asbury Hills. If you need her please call her cell phone.

Lilies represent "rebirth and hope" just as the resurrection does in our Christian faith. If you would like to order a lily to place in the sanctuary for Easter morning in honor of or in memory of a family member or friend, please complete the order form and place it in the offering plate. The deadline for ordering is March 10.

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Tuesday, February 27

6:30 Worship Committee - Zoom

Wednesday, February 28

5:30 Choir Practice - Choir Room

## SUNDAY SCHOOL INFORMATION

You are welcomed to attend one of our Sunday School classes:

**Crossroads SS Class** meets via Zoom at 9am  
Contact L.W. Smith for Zoom invite.

**Pathfinder SS Class** meets at 9:45 am in the parlor in the Education Building.

**Children's SS Class** meets at 9:45 am in the nursery in the Education building.

## HEARING DEVICES

If you would like to use a hearing assistance device, please see an usher for assistance.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Please write your prayer requests in the book found on the podium located at the back of the sanctuary before the service begins. Your prayers will be lifted up.

## 2024 FINANCES

**2024 Budget = \$220,951.00**

**Need to Receive Weekly = \$4,249.00**

**Received for General Budget on 02/18/24 = \$2,016.00**

**Received Year-To-Date (2024) = \$15,711.00**

We are excited to have you in our worship service today. We love that the walls of our building do not limit the impact of our ministry and have a wonderful community joining us today virtually. As such, we would like to remind all in attendance that your presence in our worship service indicates your approval that you and all minors you represent being recorded for our digital usage. This includes, but is not limited to, your image, name, and involvements in today's services.