

**ORDER OF WORSHIP
SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT**

March 1, 2015

10:00 a.m.

*The beginning of the opening voluntary is a call to silent, personal meditation.
Please silence all electronic devices, as we prepare our hearts and minds to worship God.*

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Fugue

Arthur Honegger
(1892-1955)

INTROIT

Iain Quinn
(b. 1973)

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy;
come let us adore him.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit.

As it was in the beginning,
is now and will be forever.
Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: O give thanks to the Lord, call on his name, make known his deeds among the peoples.

People: Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wonderful works.

Minister: He is mindful of his covenant forever, of the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations;

People: The covenant that he made with Abraham, his sworn promise to Isaac, which he confirmed to Jacob as a statute, to Israel as an everlasting covenant.

Minister: So he brought his people out with joy, his chosen ones with singing.

***HYMN 488**

The God of Abraham Praise

LEONI

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Great and awesome God, keeping covenant and steadfast love with those whom you have chosen to be your own, we confess that we have sinned and done wrong, turning aside from your commandments and ordinances. Righteousness is on your side, O Lord, but shame falls on us, because we have rebelled against you. Incline your ear and hear. Open your eyes and look upon your servants. We do not present our supplications before you on the ground of our righteousness, but on the ground of your great mercies. O Lord, hear; O Lord, forgive; O Lord, listen and act and do not delay! For the sake of your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ, we pray.

SILENT CONFESSION

KYRIE ELEISON

Richard Felciano
(b. 1937)

Cantor or Choir *All*

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Cantor or Choir *All*

Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Cantor or Choir *All*

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

PROMISE OF THE GOSPEL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Prepare our hearts, O God, to accept your word. Silence in us any voice but your own; that hearing, we may also obey your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Genesis 17:1-7; 15-16 (p. 13)

CHURCH SCHOOL ANTHEM

Spiritual, arr. Hal Hopson
(b. 1933)

PSALTER

Psalm 22:23, 25-30

PLAINSONG

Choir: Antiphon



Congregation: Antiphon

Praise the Lord, you that fear him
stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel;
all you of Jacob's line, give glory,
for he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;
neither does he hide his face from them;
but when they cry to him he hears them.

Congregation: Antiphon

The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek the Lord shall praise him:
"May your heart live for ever!"
All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord,
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.

Congregation: Antiphon

For kingship belongs to the Lord;
he rules over the nations.
To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship;
all who go down to the dust fall before him.

Congregation: Antiphon

My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him;
they shall be known as the Lord's for ever.
They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn
the saving deed that he has done.

Congregation: Antiphon

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Mark 8:31-38 (p. 44)

Jesus walked this lonesome valley,
He had to walk it by himself;
Oh, nobody else could walk it for him,
He had to walk it by himself.
We must walk this lonesome valley,
We have to walk it by ourselves;
Oh, nobody else can walk it for us,
We have to walk it by ourselves.

Jesus bore the cross of sorrow,
He had to bear it by himself;
Oh, nobody else could bear it for him,
He had to bear it by himself.
We must take our cross and follow;
Yes, we must follow by ourselves;
Oh, nobody else can follow for us,
We have to follow by ourselves.

*After the anthem, children through fifth grade
may process to the Strouse Building to meet for the Gathering.*

SERMON

The Promises God Kept in Jesus Christ:
The Promise of Election

Ms. Jarvis

*"I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you, throughout their
generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you."
Genesis 17:7*

***HYMN 393**

Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said

BOURBON

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Like as the hart desireth the waterbrooks,
so longeth my soul after thee, O God.
My soul is athirst for God,
yea, even for the living God.
When shall I come to appear before the presence of God?
My tears have been my meat day and night,
while they daily say unto me,
“Where is now thy God?”

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Invitation

Peace

Minister: The peace of Christ be with you all.
People: And also with you.

Words of Institution

The Great Thanksgiving

Minister: The Lord be with you.
People: And with your spirit.
Minister: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them up unto the Lord.
Minister: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
People: It is meet and right so to do.

Prayers concluding with 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

Herbert Howells
(1892-1983)

Sanctus:

Richard Proulx
(1937-2010)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Distribution

Anthem at Distribution

Edward Elgar
(1857-1934)

O salutaris hostia
quae caeli pandis ostium,
bella premunt hostilia:
da robur, fer auxilium

Uni trinoque Domino
sit sempiterna gloria,
qui vitam sine termino
nobis donet in patria

O saving victim
who opens the gate of heaven,
hostile wars press on us:
give strength, bring aid.

To the Lord, three in one,
be everlasting glory,
for life without end
he gives us in his kingdom.

Prayer

***HYMN**

O Jesus, I Have Promised

ERHALT UNS, HERR

Your offerings to the Germantown Avenue Crisis Ministry Food Cupboard will be received during the singing of this hymn.

1. O Je - sus, I have prom - ised To serve Thee to the end;
 2. O let me feel Thee near me! The world is ev - er near;
 3. O let me hear Thee speak - ing In ac - cents clear and still,
 4. O Je - sus, Thou hast prom - ised To all who fol - low Thee

Be Thou for - ev - er near me, My Mas - ter and my friend;
 I see the sights that daz - zle, The tempt - ing sounds I hear;
 A - bove the storms of pas - sion, The mur - murs of self - will;
 That where Thou art in glo - ry There shall Thy ser - vant be;

I shall not fear the bat - tle If Thou art by my side,
 My foes are ev - er near me, A - round me and with - in;
 O speak to re - as - sure me, To has - ten or con - trol;
 And, Je - sus, I have prom - ised To serve Thee to the end;

Nor wan - der from the path - way If Thou wilt be my guide.
 But, Je - sus, draw Thou near - er And shield my soul from sin.
 O speak, and make me lis - ten, Thou guard - ian of my soul.
 O give me grace to fol - low, My Mas - ter and my friend.

Text: John Ernest Bode, 1866

Music: *Munich, Neuvermehrtes Meiningsches Gesangbuch*, 1693, adapt. Felix Mendelssohn, 1847

***BENEDICTION**

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Fugue

Johann Pachelbel
(1653-1706)

*Congregation standing

***Seating interval

LEADING WORSHIP: Cynthia A. Jarvis, Minister; Brian Russo, Director of Youth and Senior Adults; Austin Crenshaw Shelley, Associate Minister for Christian Education; Daniel Spratlan, Director of Music; Ken Lovett, Organist/Associate Director of Music; and Gallery Choir.

GREETERS: Elders: Mark F. Bernstein and Jill A. Bown; Deacons: Jennifer Miller and Michael Miller.

USHERS: William Chambers, Team #1 Leader; Richard Brown; Carolyn Manwaring; Barbara Sheble; Harry Spaeth; Suzan Willcox; and Youth Ushers: Colin Asper and Danny Asper.

FLOWER GUILD: Susan White and Suzan Willcox.

THE CHANCEL FLOWER this morning is given in celebration of the birth of Emmett Rhys Pennington (12/29/2014) son of Lindsey and Brad Pennington; and Liam Michael Sebright (1/26/2015) son of Kirsten and Michael Sebright.

HOSPITALITY HOST: Church Life Committee.

TUESDAY COUNTERS: Sylvia Studenmund and Peter Torello.

COMMUNION SERVERS: B. Graeme Frazier, Anna McClafferty, and Laurie Menyo.

*Flowers in the chancel are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
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by their family.*

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