

### Today's Ministers

Presider: Vicar Aaron  
Preaching: Vicar Aaron  
Assisting Minister: Mary Braudrick  
Crucifer: Cedar Hilger  
Acolyte: Zander Radke  
Reader: Steve VanAtter  
Children's Message: Vicar Aaron  
Music: Bryce Leifeste  
Audio/Streaming: Bryce Quarve  
& Elizabeth Schnabel

Greeters: Karen Bair & Penelope Smith  
Ushers: Radke Family  
Altar Guild: Cathy Winwood  
Counters: Andrew Hanson & Lloyd Kellar  
Fellowship: Jacksons  
Bread: Unleavened Bread  
Wine: Julie Haugen  
Eternal Candle: Julie Haugen  
Flowers: Greens

### Next Week's Ministers – March 08

Presider: Vicar Aaron  
Preaching: Vicar Aaron  
Assisting Minister: Steve VanAtter  
Crucifer: Abigail Radke  
Acolyte: Aggie Klahn  
Reader: Abigail Radke  
Children's Message: Larry Mills  
Music: Bryce Leifeste  
Audio/Streaming: Bryce Quarve  
& David Sheriff

Greeters: Ardelle O'Bryan & Julie Haugen  
Ushers: Penelope Smith & Elizabeth Schnabel  
Altar Guild: Beth Rasgorshek  
Counters: Tami Robinson & Phil Cronk  
Fellowship: Jacksons  
Bread: Unleavened Bread  
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Second Sunday in Lent  
Year A, Setting 4  
March 01, 2026

# WE GATHER TOGETHER

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

## Guide to the Bulletin

**C: Congregation** P: Presider A: Assisting Minister R: Reader

### GATHERING HYMN

What Wondrous Love Is This

ELW #666

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

O God, our leader and guide, in the waters of baptism you bring us to new birth to live as your children. Strengthen our faith in your promises, that by your Spirit we may lift up your life to all the world through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

*You may be seated.*

## WORD

### FIRST READING: Genesis 12:1-4a

*God's call of Abram and Sarai has a clear purpose—that through them all the families of the earth would gain a blessing. As they set out on their journey, they are accompanied by promises of land, nation, and a great reputation.*

<sup>1</sup> The Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. <sup>2</sup> I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. <sup>3</sup> I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

<sup>4a</sup> So Abram went, as the Lord had told him, and Lot went with him.

R: The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## IN OUR PRAYERS

**For healing:** Colton (Fran & Elwood's grandson – brain tumor)  
Monica Perez (friend of Edith Hannett – in need of a kidney)  
Alex Witherspoon (healing from traumatic brain injury – Amanda Hanson)  
Cody (Youth with heart condition – Emily Bentley)  
Addie (Teenage Crohn's disease – Cathy Winwood)  
Michelle Dombeck (health concerns – Linda Dombeck)  
Shawn Houston (upcoming surgery – Linda Dombeck)  
Heidi Baldwin (health issues – Carr family)  
Snowflake (family cat) (kidney problems – Radke family)

**For Andrew & Grandpa Norm** (from Elizabeth Schnabel)  
**For Allissa Smiley** (mourning loss of husband Joe – Mary Helen)  
**For Mitchell family** (mourning loss father Malcom – Mary Helen)  
**For Daughter in Iowa** (searching for Nurse Practitioner job – Mary B)  
**For Sarah Klahn-Baudrick** (new job)

### People in the Armed Services:

Brett Collins (grandson of Helen Collins – Marines)  
John C. Collins II (grandson of Helen Collins – Navy SEAL)  
Bill MacDonald (Navy)  
Amanda Love (Cathy Winwood's Niece – Army)

*Prayer concerns will be removed after two months on the list unless you let the office know otherwise.*

## CALENDAR

### THIS WEEK

Today	9:00 am 10:00 am 11:15 am 1:00 pm	Sunday School Worship Fellowship (Fellowship Hall) Spanish Pentecostal Service
Tuesday	12:00 pm 2 – 4 pm	Al-Anon (Sunday School room) Study Group (Koinonia Room)
Wednesday	6:15 pm 7:00 pm	Soup Supper Lenten evening service
Thursday	6:30 pm	Al-Anon (Fellowship Hall)
Friday	7:00 pm	Spanish Pentecostal Service

### NEXT WEEK

March 08	9:00 am 10:00 am 11:15 am 1:00 pm	Sunday School Worship Fellowship (Fellowship Hall) Spanish Pentecostal Service Daylight Saving Time begins
Monday	6:30 pm	Mutal Ministry meeting
Tuesday	12:00 pm 2 – 4 pm	Al-Anon (Sunday School room) Study Group (Koinonia Room)
Wednesday	6:15 pm 7:00 pm	Soup Supper Lenten evening service
Thursday	2:00 pm 6:30 pm	Gospel & Growth meeting Al-Anon (Fellowship Hall)
Friday	7:00 pm	Spanish Pentecostal Service

### PSALM: Psalm 121

R: <sup>1</sup> I lift up my eyes to the hills; from where is my help to come?

**C: <sup>2</sup> My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth.**

R: <sup>3</sup> The Lord will not let your foot be moved nor will the one who watches over you fall asleep.

**C: <sup>4</sup> Behold, the keeper of Israel will neither slumber nor sleep;**

**All: I lift up my eyes to the hills; my help comes from the Lord.**

R: <sup>5</sup> the Lord watches over you; the Lord is your shade at your right hand;

**C: <sup>6</sup> the sun will not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.**

R: <sup>7</sup> The Lord will preserve you from all evil and will keep your life.

**C: <sup>8</sup> The Lord will watch over your going out and your coming in, from this time forth forevermore.**

**All: I lift up my eyes to the hills; my help comes from the Lord.**

### SECOND READING: Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

*In the person and example of Abraham we discover that a right relationship with God does not involve earning a reward from God but entails trusting God's promises. Abraham is the forebear and model for both Jews and Gentiles, because we too trust that ours is a God who gives life to the dead.*

<sup>1</sup> What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? <sup>2</sup> For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. <sup>3</sup> For what does the scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness." <sup>4</sup> Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. <sup>5</sup> But to one who does not work but trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

<sup>13</sup> For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. <sup>14</sup> For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. <sup>15</sup> For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law, neither is there transgression.

<sup>16</sup> For this reason the promise depends on faith, in order that it may rest on grace, so that it may be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (who is the father of all of us,

<sup>17</sup> as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”), in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

R: The word of the Lord.  
C: **Thanks be to God.**

**Please rise as you are able.**

P: The Holy Gospel according to John, the 3<sup>rd</sup> chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Gospel: John 3:1-17**

*A curious Pharisee visits Jesus by night to learn from the teacher his friends reject. Jesus speaks to him about life in the Spirit and the kingdom of God.*

<sup>1</sup> Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. <sup>2</sup> He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with that person.” <sup>3</sup> Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” <sup>4</sup> Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” <sup>5</sup> Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. <sup>6</sup> What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup> Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ <sup>8</sup> The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” <sup>9</sup> Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” <sup>10</sup> Jesus answered him, “Are you the teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?”

<sup>11</sup> “Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen, yet you do not receive our testimony. <sup>12</sup> If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? <sup>13</sup> No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. <sup>14</sup> And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup> that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

<sup>16</sup> “For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

<sup>17</sup> “Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

R: The Gospel of the Lord.  
C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

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**HYMN OF THE DAY**

**Lift High the Cross**

**ELW #660**

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

A: Reconciled by God’s mercy and sustained by God’s presence, let us pray for the world and its needs.

A: Hear us, O God.

C: **Your mercy is great.**

A: Receive our prayers, O God, through Jesus Christ, our strength and salvation.

C: **Amen.**

**OFFERING SONG**

**Just a Closer Walk with Thee**

**ELW #697**

**Please rise as you are able.**

**COMMUNION HYMN (2)**

**Be Thou My Vision**

**ELW #793**

**SENDING HYMN**

**Blessed Assurance**

**ELW #638**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MARCH NOISY OFFERING** – on the 29<sup>th</sup> is for S.H.E. (Style Her Empowered). They provide school uniforms that “grow” with the student. See poster in Narthex for more information.

**2C KITCHEN MEALS** – Thanks to everyone who helped cook, make desserts, package and serve for the Thrivent/Church in Community meal for 2C Kitchen Collective. Check out pictures on our Facebook page!

**SOUPER BOWL** – Souper Bowl of Caring raised \$141.24 and brought in 27 cans of soup! Thank you so much to all!

**UPCOMING LENT SUPPERS** – Lent is here and with it we will be doing soup suppers again this year on Wednesdays. Please bring soup and/or bread. Soup is served at 6:15 pm, and the evening service will follow at 7 pm. 03/04, 03/11, 03/18 and 03/25. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. Thank you!

**LENTEN FOOD JOURNEY** – Be on the watch in the Narthex for the Lenten Food Journey. This is a 40-day journey/opportunity to provide various food and non-food items to a family in need in our community. Pick a date(s)/item(s)—and of the 40 options—shop for it and then return it to the boxes in the Narthex by Easter. Sponsored by Church in Community.

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