

Second Sunday in Lent
March 5, 2023
Order of Service: LSB Divine Service One

AS WE GATHER

Many of our hymns begin with a simple declaration, such as “A mighty fortress is our God” (LSB 656/657) or “Your kingdom, O God, is my glorious treasure” (LSB 654). A few include an exclamation and so have an exclamation point or two in them, including “Rise! To arms! With prayer employ you” (LSB 668) and “Jesus loves me!” (LSB 588). Even fewer actually ask a question. Among these are “What child is this?” (LSB 370) and “Who are you who walk in sorrow?” (LSB 476). Finding answers to questions is a great way of making discoveries. The refrain to the African hymn “When I Behold Jesus Christ” (LSB 542) asks plainly, “What kind of love is this?” as the hymnwriter reflects on the sacrificial love of Jesus. We may ask ourselves the same question as we reflect on all our Lord has done for us.

Opening Hymn - #571 “God Loved the World So That He Gave”
(Stand for last verse)

+PREPARATION+

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION – Page 151

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Psalm 121 (responsively)

Kyrie – Page 152

Salutation and Collect of the Day

The Old Testament Reading – Genesis 12:1-9

Epistle Reading – Romans 4:1-8. 13-17

Verse for Lent – “Return to the Lord” Page 157

Holy Gospel – John 3:1-17

Hymn of the Day – #542 “When I Behold Jesus Christ”

(The Sunday School Children are dismissed)

Sermon: “the Journey of Faith”

Text: The Old Testament Reading

Nicene Creed

Prayer of the Church

Offering (The offerings previously collected are brought forward)

Offertory - Page 159 “What Shall I Render to the Lord”

+SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT+

Preface - Page 160

Sanctus - Page 161

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord’s Prayer – Page 162

The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini – “The Peace of the Lord”

Agnus Dei – “Lamb of God”

Distribution

Hymns during Distribution – 624, 435

Post-Communion Canticle – “Nunc Dimittis” Page 165

Post-Communion Collect – Page 166

Benediction

Closing Hymn – # LSB #721 “Lead Me, Guide Me”



So Abram went, as the LORD had told him, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother's son, and all their possessions that they had gathered, and the people that they had acquired in Haran, and they set out to go to the land of Canaan. When they came to the land of Canaan, Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. Then the LORD appeared to Abram and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built there an altar to the LORD, who had appeared to him.
Genesis 12:4-7