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**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent**

## Welcome

### Announcements

*Please take a quiet moment to prepare your heart for worship.*

Prelude      *“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”*      Whitworth

### **Prayer of Preparation** (for your personal use, during Prelude)

*O Jesus, our great high priest, be present with us as you were present with your disciples, and make yourself known to us in the breaking of bread. Amen.*

## GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

### \*Call to Worship

L: I will lift up my eyes to the hills.

**P: From where does my help come?**

L: My help comes from the Lord,

**P: who made heaven and earth.**

L: The Lord will keep us from all evil,

**P: He will keep our lives.**

L: The Lord will keep our going out and coming in,

**P: from this time forth and forevermore.**

### \*Hymn

*“To God be the Glory”*

PH #485

### Call to Confession

#### Prayer of Confession

**Our Father in heaven, we confess to You that we have sinned in our thoughts, our words, and our deeds; by the evil we have done and by the good that we have left undone. We are sorry for our sins and ask that You may forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness, through Jesus Christ Your Beloved Son, our Lord and Savior. Amen.**

Time of silence for personal reflection.

## Assurance of Pardon

### The Peace

L: Peace be with you.

P: And also with you.

\*Gloria Patri      *“Glory Be to the Father”*

PH #579

Chancel Choir      *“God is My Strong Salvation”*

## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Time with Young Disciples

Martin Nagel

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 12:1-4

New Testament Reading

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

Sermon

*“The Belief that Matters Most”*

Martin Nagel

[Scripture Reading John 3:1-17]

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

### \*Affirmation of Faith

**I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

\*Hymn

*“What Wondrous Love is This”*

PH #85

## Prayers of the People

As prayers are offered:

L: God of Mercy,

P: hear our prayer.

## The Lord's Prayer

## Celebration of the Lord's Supper

(Insert)

## The Great Thanksgiving

Sharing the Bread and Cup *(wine is in the outer circle of the trays)*

## Offering

Offertory

*"Ave Verum"*

Mozart/Smith

\*Doxology

PH #591

## BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

\*Hymn

*"Be Thou My Vision"*

PH #339

\*Charge and Blessing

Postlude

*"Psalm XX"*

Marcello/Guilmant

*Please be seated for the Postlude.*

WORSHIP LEADER:

Martin Nagel

ORGANIST:

Emma Lou Denton

PIANIST:

Julia Territo

GREETER/USHER:

Dave Long

LITURGIST:

Jane Stephenson

COMMUNION STEWARD: Barbara Sampson

*\*Please stand, if able*

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