

First Presbyterian Church

Wichita, Kansas

Second



SUNDAY

IN LENT

February 25, 2018
8:30 a. m. & 10:45 a.m.

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2nd Sunday in Lent

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Prelude

Variations on a Hymn for Lent

Dale Wood

**Processional

Bailey Bowles & Sierra Coldwater

Greetings

*Call to Worship

Leader: Is not this the fast I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice;

People: to share your bread with the hungry;

Leader: to bring the homeless poor into your house;

People: when you see the naked, to clothe them?

Leader: Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,

People: and your healing shall spring up quickly.

Leader: Let us worship God.

*Prayer of the Day

God of our forebears, as your chosen servant Abraham was given faith to obey your call and go out into the unknown, so may your church be granted such faith that we may follow you with courage for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

*Hymn

The God of Abraham Praise

No. 488

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained, and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

Silence

Choral Response

Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news! The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin, and alive to all that is good. I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. **Amen.**

*Song of Thanksgiving

Gloria Patri

No. 579

*The Peace

Leader: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

*****(The children may come forward during the greeting.)***

****Time with the Children**

First Reading

Genesis 17:1-22

Anthem

My Hiding Place

Tom Fettke

*O Lord, You are my hiding place for every storm of life;
And You surround me with songs that set me free.
You are my refuge – I will trust in You.*

*And I will dwell in the shelter of the most high, my Redeemer;
I will rest in the shadow of the wings of the Almighty.*

Second Reading

Romans 4:13-25

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“The Example of Abraham”
The Rev. Dr. Brent O. Johnston

*Ascription of Praise

Ephesians 3:20-21

Now to the One who by the power at work within us is able to do far more abundantly than all we can ask or imagine, to God be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer & the Lord’s Prayer

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Call to Stewardship
Offertory

Cross Cry

Gilbert Martin

Terry McManis, Baritone

I think I heard him say, when he was strugglin' up the hill,

"Take my mother home."

I think I heard him say, when they were rafflin' off his clothes,

"Take my mother home. Then I'll die easy, take my mother home."

I think I heard him say when they were liftin up the cross,

"Take my mother home."

I think I heard him cry, when they were nailin in the nails,

Take my mother home. I'll die this death on calvary,

Won't have to die no more."

*Doxology

No. 592

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn

Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

No. 423

*Charge and Benediction

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

*Choral Response

**Recessional

*Postlude

Postlude in C Major

J.S. Bach

*signifies congregation standing (for those able)

**denotes 10:45 a.m. service

Worship Leaders

Senior Pastor
Parish Associate
Director of Music
Organist

Brent O. Johnston
Judy Conners
Steve Bixler
Mark Sweeney