

Sion Lutheran Church

Lancaster, Minnesota
February 25th, 2018
Second Sunday of Lent

Welcome to our Worship service this morning, we are glad you are here! Today as we turn to the cross we confess our sins before God and one another. At the cross we receive life and our callings to pick up our crosses and follow Christ.

Gathering: Welcome, Announcements & Prayer Requests

Confession & Absolution: *please stand* page 94
Gracious God, have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

Gathering Song: I Want Jesus to Walk With Me page 325

Setting 10 The Greeting & Kyrie page 203

Prayer of the Day: "O God, by the passion of your Son, you took the cross of death and gave us life. Grant us courage to take on our own crosses and follow you for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

God's Word: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16 Psalm: 22:23-31 Romans 4:13-25
The Word of the Lord..... Thanks be to God.

Children's Sermon

The Gospel Acclamation: *please stand* We are turning, Lord to hear you page 205

The Gospel: Mark 8:31-38..... Glory to you, O Lord.
The Gospel of the Lord... Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Hymn of Day: I Love to Tell the Story page 661

Offering and our response to God's gifts Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence and take not thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.

The Offertory Prayer (please stand): Merciful Father, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us- ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer

Sending:

Benediction

Pastor: "Go in Peace to Serve the Lord!"

Congregation: "Thanks Be To God."

Sending Hymn: Who Am I LCD

The Season of *Lent* is a Blessing!

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