

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup>. February, 2024 11.00 am

The Second Sunday in Lent

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## Welcome & Intimations

Introit

Call to Worship

### Hymn 214 New every morning is the love

- 1 New every morning is the love  
our wakening and uprising prove;  
through sleep and darkness safely brought,  
restored to life and power and thought.
- 2 New mercies, each returning day,  
hover around us while we pray;  
new perils past, new sins forgiven,  
new thoughts of God, new hopes of heaven.
- 3 If on our daily course our mind  
be set to hallow all we find,  
new treasures still, of countless price,  
God will provide for sacrifice.
- 4 The trivial round, the common task,  
will furnish all we ought to ask,  
room to deny ourselves, a road  
to bring us daily nearer God.

- 5 Prepare us, Lord, in your dear love  
for perfect life with you above;  
and help us, this and every day,  
to live more nearly as we pray.

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Call to Prayer

Prayer of Approach and Confession

### Children's Address

### Hymn 174 God of great and God of small

- 1 God of great and God of small,  
God of one and God of all,  
God of weak and God of strong,  
God to whom all things belong,  
*alleluia, alleluia, praise be to your name.*
- 2 God of land and sky and sea,  
God of life and destiny,  
God of never-ending power,  
yet beside me every hour,
- 3 God of silence, God of sound,  
God by whom the lost are found,  
God of day and darkest night,  
God whose love turns wrong to right,
- 4 God of heaven and God of earth,  
God of death and God of birth,  
God of now and days before,  
God who reigns for evermore,

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**Genesis 17:1-7,15-16**

**Hymn 131 Salvation belongs to our God**

1 Salvation belongs to our God  
Who sits on the throne  
And unto the lamb

Praise and glory, wisdom and thanks  
Honour, and power, and strength  
*be to our God forever and ever*  
*Be to our God forever and ever*  
*Be to our God forever and ever*  
AMEN

2 And we the redeemed shall be strong  
In purpose and unity  
Declaring aloud  
praise and glory, wisdom and thanks  
Honour, and power, and strength!  
*be to our God forever and ever*  
*Be to our God forever and ever*  
*Be to our God forever and ever*  
AMEN

Adrian Howard and Pat Turner

**Romans 4:13-25**

**St. Mark 8:31-38**

**Anthem**

**Sermon**

The Offering (& Sung Doxology: Hymn 807)

Prayer of Intercession & The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father which art in heaven,  
Hallowed be thy Name.  
Thy Kingdom come.**

**Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread.**

**And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:  
For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for  
ever. Amen.**

**Hymn 233 Come, you thankful people, come,**

1 Come, you thankful people, come,  
raise the song of harvest-home:  
all is safely gathered in,  
ere the winter storms begin;  
God, our maker, will provide  
for our needs to be supplied:  
come to God's own temple, come,  
raise the song of harvest-home.

2 All this world is God's own field,  
bearing fruit his praise to yield;  
wheat and tares together sown,  
are to joy or sorrow grown;  
first the blade and then the ear,  
then the full corn shall appear:  
Lord of harvest, grant that we  
wholesome grain and pure may be.

3 For the Lord our God shall come,  
and shall take his harvest home;  
from his field shall in that day  
all offences purge away;  
give his angels charge at last  
in the fire the tares to cast,  
but the fruitful ears to store  
in his storehouse evermore.

4 Even so, Lord, quickly, come,  
bring your final harvest home;  
gather all your people in,  
free from sorrow, free from sin;  
there, for ever purified,  
in your presence to abide:  
come, with all your angels come,  
raise the glorious harvest-home!

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### Benediction

Choral Amen (3-fold)