

*Sunday 28<sup>th</sup>. February, 2021 11a.m.*  
*The Second Sunday in Lent*  
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Scripture Sentence

Welcome & Intimations

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

**Merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you  
with our whole heart and mind and strength.  
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.  
In your mercy, forgive what we have been,  
help us amend what we are,  
and direct what we shall be,  
that we may delight in your will  
and walk in your ways  
to the glory of your holy name. AMEN.**

Scripture: St. Mark 8:31-38

**Hymn 97 O God, you search me and you know me.  
(Psalm 139)**

- 1 O God, you search me and you know me.  
All my thoughts lie open to your gaze.  
When I walk or lie down you are before me :  
ever the maker and keeper of my days.
- 2 You know my resting and my rising.  
You discern my purpose from afar,  
and with love everlasting you besiege me :  
in every moment of life or death, you are.
- 3 Before a word is on my tongue, Lord,  
you have known its meaning through and through.  
You are with me beyond my understanding :  
God of my present, my past and future, too.
- 4 Although your Spirit is upon me,  
still I search for shelter from your light.  
There is nowhere on earth I can escape you :  
even the darkness is radiant in your sight.
- 5 For you created me and shaped me,  
gave me life within my mother's womb.  
For the wonder of who I am, I praise you :  
safe in your hands, all creation is made new.

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Sermon

Musical Interlude

## Prayer of Intercession and 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 685 For everyone born, a place at the table,**

- 1 For everyone born, a place at the table,  
for everyone born, clean water and bread,  
a shelter, a space, a safe place for growing,  
for everyone born, a star overhead.

*And God will delight  
when we are creators of justice and joy,  
yes, God will delight  
when we are creators of justice,  
justice and joy!*

- 2 For woman and man, a place at the table,  
revising the roles, deciding the share,  
with wisdom and grace, dividing the power,  
for woman and man, a system that's fair.

*Chorus*

- 3 For young and for old, a place at the table,  
a voice to be heard, a part in the song,  
the hands of a child in hands kind and wrinkled,  
for young and for old, the right to belong.

*Chorus*

- 4 For just and unjust a place at the table,  
abuser, abused, with need to forgive,  
in anger, in hurt, a mind-set of mercy,  
for just and unjust, a new way to live.

*Chorus*

- 5 For everyone born, a place at the table,  
to live without fear, and simply to be,  
to work, to speak out, to witness and worship,  
for everyone born, the right to be free.

*Chorus*

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## **Benediction**

**Choral Amen (3-fold.)**