

**Sunday Worship**  
**March 5, 2023**  
***Second Sunday in Lent***

**God Gathers the Church**

**GATHERING MUSIC and WORDS OF WELCOME**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

You are called to an eternal inheritance.

It is waiting for you to claim it today.

**We are people of a new covenant in Christ.**

**By the life and death of Jesus, we are redeemed.**

Through the resurrection, we are raised to new life.

Rescued from dead works, we serve the living God.

**How precious is God's steadfast love!**

**We take refuge in the shadow of God's wings.**

Come to feast on the abundance of God's house.

Gather to drink from the river of God's delights.

**In God, we find the fountain of life.**

**In the light of God's love, we see light.**

**\*OPENING HYMN: #277 "My Savior's Love"**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**CALL TO CONFESSION AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**We call on your name, O God, out of our desperate need for healing and forgiveness.**

**We have broken covenant, forgotten who we are, and lived by our own conceits.**

**We act as if we have no need of you when things go well. When suffering and loss**

**come to us, we complain. Forgive us, God, for wanting the whole world to revolve around us. Restore us to full membership and responsibility in your family, we pray.**

**Amen.**

**GUIDE FOR GRATEFUL LIVING**

**John 13:34**

**Hear the teaching of Christ:**

**"A new commandment I give to you,**

**that you love one another just as I have loved you."**

**\*GLORIA PATRI**

## God's Word Is Proclaimed

### **\*PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

**SCRIPTURE READING** John 19:26-27 (*New Testament*, pg. 114)

*This is the Word of the Lord, Thanks be to God.*

**\*HYMN OF PREPARATION: #257 "What Wondrous Love Is This"**

**SERMON:** "Woman Behold Your Son, Son Behold Your Mother"

**Rev. Kendra VanHouten**

## The Church Responds to God

### **THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

THE MEANING OF THE SACRAMENT

THE CONSECRATION AND SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER OF BLESSING

### **THE SHARING OF THE GIFTS OF THE PEOPLE WITH OUR OFFERINGS**

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND CONCERN AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (debts/debtors) \***

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on 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, forever. Amen.**

**\*SENDING HYMN: #273 "Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love"**

### **BENEDICTION**

### **POSTLUDE**

*\*Today's liturgy and prayer is from Led By Love and Fresh Winds of the Spirit, both by Lavon Bayler, and The Worship Sourcebook.*