

ORDER OF WORSHIP
FEBRUARY 25, 2018—LENT WEEK TWO

WE APPROACH GOD...

(Sing together) We have come into His house and gathered in His name to worship Him. (2X)

We have come into His house and gathered in His name to worship Christ the Lord. Worship Him, Christ the Lord.

Entry of the Bible
Call to Worship

***HYMN #173 “AND CAN IT BE THAT I SHOULD GAIN”**

Welcome & Announcements

***HYMN #268 (SING!) “HERE I AM, LORD”**

Opening Prayer

Lord’s Prayer

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

Anthem: “My Hope is Built on Nothing Less”

TO LISTEN TO AND REFLECT ON HIS WORD...

Responsive Reading: Living Faith 1.1—1.6
Scripture Readings: Romans 4: 13 –25 (p. 798/1271)
Mark 8: 31 –38 (p. 714/1138)

Scripture Response: Lord, Thy word abideth
And our footsteps guideth
Who its truth believeth.
Light and joy receiveth. Amen



***HYMN #458 “BE THOU MY VISION”**

Preaching of the Word: **“FIGHTING TO LOSE!”**

***ALL WHO ARE ABLE, PLEASE STAND**

RESPOND IN FAITH AND SERVICE.

*Offering: Doxology & Prayer of Dedication
Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Mission Moments: “Presbyterian Sharing”

***HYMN** (See insert) **“GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS”**

*Benediction and Threefold Amen



If you are joining us in worship for the first time or returning to visit family and friends, we warmly welcome you as our guest. It is our goal and prayer that you would be blessed and encouraged to start a new week renewed in spirit. Thank you for joining us in worship this morning.

There is holy anticipation as we gather to celebrate the love of God through our worship. Let us prepare our hearts prayerfully this morning as we eagerly seek for the ministry of the Spirit of God to be a blessing in our worship.

This morning your greeter is **Margaret Robinson**, the Announcements will be reviewed by **Doreen Hayward**, and the Scripture lessons will be read by **Bob Burns**.

Following worship, everyone is invited to stay for coffee, tea and fellowship. Today’s Host is **Jan Korvemaker**.

Minister..... **Rev. John Paeng**
Clerk of Session..... **Mrs. Margaret Clow**
Organist..... **Mrs. Edith Tutiah**
Choir Director..... **Mrs. Helen Hill-Tout**
Chairman - Board of Managers **Mr. Rae Bailey**
Church Secretary **Mrs. Charlene King**

Lent is a time for evangelism and for true conversion – a time for growing through repentance, fellowship, prayer, fasting, and concentration upon our baptismal covenant. We are to be signs of God's kingdom in this world. The themes of repentance and preparation for sharing in the death and resurrection of Christ are basic to those preparing for baptism and confirmation and to the whole body of Christians who will renew their baptismal faith during the Easter Season. Lent is thus not giving up something but rather taking upon ourselves the intention and the receptivity to God's grace so that we may worthily participate in the mystery of God-with-us. (The New Handbook of the Christian Year by Hickman, Saliers, Stookey & White)

PRAYER LIST

Hazel Smith: Hazel is in Nanaimo Hospital.

PASTORAL CARE If you are ill, bereaved, or troubled in any way and require care, please contact your minister, your elder or the church office at 248-2348. **With your permission** we can include your name on the Prayer List in the bulletin.

OFFERING BOX: The box is at the back of the sanctuary for you to leave your offering; either before the service starts or as you leave.

ANNUAL MEETING: Two weeks from today, Sunday, March 11th, the Annual Meeting of the congregation will be held. The meeting will begin at approximately 12:30pm. Please plan to attend this important meeting.

INCOME TAX RECEIPTS: The 2017 Income Tax Receipts are ready for pickup in the Message Centre.

Church Library is open Tuesday to Friday 9 -12, as well as on Sunday mornings. New books have arrived, come and have a look.

LENTEN MEDITATION: "Reading, Writing, Praying the Scriptures"
Come and join us on Tuesdays at 10 am.

GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS

- 1 "Great is Thy faithfulness," O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not,
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

Chorus

"Great is Thy faithfulness!" "Great is Thy faithfulness!"
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided—
"Great is Thy faithfulness," Lord, unto me!

- 2 Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above,
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.
- 3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!