



**ST. PETER'S  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

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# Wednesday, February 18, 2026

\*In the way you are able, whether in body or in spirit, please rise.

## Welcome & Announcements

## Ringing of the Chimes

Prelude "Glory and Grace" Schram

\*Call to Worship Audrey Lehnert

One: We come to worship God as the Lenten season begins, aware of our frailty and our failings.

**All: We come seeking God's mercy, acknowledging our mortality.**

One: Having received the waters of baptism, we are marked now with ashes.

**All: The treasures of this earth do not last; our treasure is in heaven, our heart's true home.**

\*Hymn "Rock of Ages" Verses 1, 2, and 3 Page 384

\*Opening Prayer (In Unison)

**As we enter this holy season of Lent, O Lord, we prepare to walk the way of the cross with you. During our Lenten journey help us keep our eyes on our Lord Jesus, so that we may live faithfully, trusting only in Christ. Let our mission together as God's people be centered on you and your saving purpose for our world, so that we may journey with unity and clear purpose. Amen.**

Hymn "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus" Page 472

Prayer of Confession (In Unison)

**Mighty Lord, we confess that we are lost without you. Gather us, so that we may join our hearts and voices together in seeking your forgiveness and direction. So often we would go our own way, desiring only our personal success and public glory. Forgive us. So often we forget that without you we are but dust and ashes with no hope beyond this life. Forgive us. May our journey be one of faith in you and generous service to your world. Amen.**

Senior Choir "At the Table of the Lord" Martin

Scripture Reading Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21 Audrey Lehnert

Hymn "Softly and Tenderly" Verses 1 and 3 Page 348

Scripture Reading Psalm 51:1-17

Message Rev. Doug

## Pastoral Prayer

Pastoral Prayer and a Time of Silent Reflection

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Imposition of Ashes "Turn away from your sins and believe the good news."

Those wishing to receive ashes on their forehead or back of the hand are invited to come forward at this time.

## Worshiping God with our Offerings

Offertory "St. Crispin" Elvy

\*Doxology Page 34

\*Offertory Prayer (In Unison)

**Receive us, O Giving God, as your willing servants. Use the gifts of our talents, money, time and energy to bring restoration and reconciliation to this world. May this season of Lent be a time when we reassess all we have been given, and what we have to share. Amen**

## The Sacrament of Holy Communion

\*Closing Hymn "Spirit of the Living God" Page 492

\*Benediction

\*Postlude "Lament" Spiritual