



2nd SUNDAY OF
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Rev. Catherine Schuyler, Pastor
David Majoros, D.M.A., Director of Music
Sharon Lensky, Liturgist

GATHERING

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy, Tourjee/Webb

GREETINGS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

People of God, the Lord has loved us,
God so loved the world that he sent us Jesus Christ.

People of God, the Lord has named us,
Named us as Beloved and Forgiven.

People of God, the Lord has called us,
Called us to be the light of the world and salt of the earth.

Let us worship the Lord of all!

***HYMN**

As the Deer

FWS #2025

***INVOCATION**

Wonderful and gracious Lord, you have loved us with an everlasting love. You have been faithful to your promises to our ancestors; you have been bountiful in your blessings to us. Challenge us to trust you with our lives today. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our brother, our Savior, our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

We come to you, Lord, ready to meet you. Open our ears again this morning that we may listen for your voice, hear your Word, and follow again in the way that you would lead us. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 12:1-4a

PSALTER

Psalms 121

UMH #844

ANTHEM

From an Upper Room, J. M. Martin

The Chancel Choir

***GOSPEL READING**

John 3:1-17

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God

CHILDREN'S SERMON

***HYMN OF PREPARATION** *Where He Leads Me, I Will Follow* UMH #338

SERMON *Follow, Trust, Love* Rev. Catherine Schuyler

CHORAL PRAYER RESPONSE *Amen, Ringwald* The Chancel Choir

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *UC OF Canada* UMH #883

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY HYMN *Steal Away to Jesus* UMH #704
Congregational Hymn with Choir

***DOXOLOGY** UMH #95

***PRAYER OF CONSECRATION**

Our gift, our hearts, our lives are yours, O God. Consecrate them and use them as instruments of your peace. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PASTORAL PRAYER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** Holy God, you call us to walk with you, to follow on the path where you lead us, listening for your voice and trusting your guidance. But there are other voices that call, Lord, and we confess that we have listened too often to the lies of convenience, convention, and peer pressure. We have gone astray from your way of truth and love. Forgive us, Lord. Call us again, and give us courage to listen and to follow. We pray in the name of our leader and our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

COMMUNION HYMN *Come Share the Lord* FWS #2269

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

COMMUNION RESPONSES

FWS #2257a-d

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

***HYMN** *To God Be the Glory* UMH #98

***BENEDICTION**

Our worship has ended; our service begins.

(*) Please stand as you are able.

WELCOME, VISITORS!

Thank you for joining us in worship this morning. There is a Visitor Center in the room to the right of the sanctuary with church information and a guest book if you'd like to share your name and address.

Please join us for Coffee Hour downstairs after worship.



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We'll share our prayer concerns aloud in worship. The ushers have microphones to bring to you to share. If you'd prefer, you may add a written prayer request to the offering plate.

SUPPORTING OUR NEIGHBORS IN NEED

The Long Island Coalition for the Homeless provides food and other household needs to anyone in need across Long Island. We support them with our donations. A basket is in the back of the sanctuary, or you can access their wish list on Amazon. They are especially in need of shelf-stable protein, e.g., peanut butter, canned tuna, canned beans, etc. [For your convenience, donations may be made directly through their

[Amazon Wishlist - https://www.amazon.com/registries/gl/quest-view/2CXXJFQN0RC4V?ref=cm_sw_r_apin_ggr-subnav-share_3APETJNEMQAF0ANM1&language=en-US],

or you are welcome to bring items to the church.] If you have any questions, please contact Mary Bing. Thank you for helping to share God's love through your generosity and compassion.

UPCOMING LITURGISTS:

March 2026

- 8th Danny Gastelua
- 15th Larry Bing
- 22nd Karen Gierie Newman
- 29th Betty Gastelua

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS:

March 2026

- 1st Vicki & Annemarie
- 8th Lois & Kimberly S
- 15th Kathy V & Amanda
- 22nd Rita & John
- 29th UWF

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- Trustees Meeting – Wednesday, March 4 at 7:00 p.m.
- Confirmation Class – Sunday, March 8 at 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. in the library.
- Finance Committee –Tuesday, March 10 at 7:30 p.m.
- Cooking Ministry – Wednesday, March 11 at 5:30 p.m.
- Church Council – Monday, March 23 at 7:00 p.m.

PRAYER GROUPS AND BIBLE STUDIES

- Wednesday Bible Study meets at 10:30 am via Zoom
- Friday Ladies' Small Group meets at 7:30 pm via Zoom
- Saturday Men's Bible Study meets at 8:00 am-9:00 am Via Zoom

CONCERNS & COMMITMENTS:

Whenever the gospel of Jesus Christ is proclaimed, the Spirit of God is at work. If you have been touched by God and desire to make a commitment to Christ and to His Church or you would like to have the pastor pray with/for you, please speak with her.

**Lent at
Farmingdale UMC**

Sunday, March 29 @ 9:30 am
Palm and Passion Sunday

Thursday, March 29 @ 7:00 pm
Maundy Thursday

Friday, April 3 @ 7:00 pm
Good Friday

Sunday, April 5
Easter Sunday
Sunrise Service @ 6:15 am
Easter Morning Worship 9:30 am

*Book Study
Lenten Sundays at noon*

*Mission Project
Soles for Souls
Collecting good used or like-new
shoes for others*

Service is In-Person or on Zoom

ZOOM:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/5166943424?pwd=TWtTVElWUHNXbjVNcnNMaG9wTVJrZz09>

Meeting ID: 5166943424 Password 11735

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