

ORDER OF SERVICE

FEBRUARY 25TH, 2024

MUSICAL PRELUDE

BIBLE OPENING

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CELEBRATIONS & CONCERNS

GATHERING and PRAISE

(Please stand if able)*

INTROIT VU#108 vs 2

*“Throughout These Lenten Days and Nights”
(the verse will be played through first before we sing)*

The pilgrim Christ, the Lamb of God,
who found in weakness greater power,
embraces us, though lost and flawed,
and leads us to his Rising Hour

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

LIGHTING OF THE PEACE CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP *(responsive)*

Come away and be still.

We come to worship God.

Come find rest for your weariness.

We come to worship God.

Come with your joy and sorrow.

We come to worship God.

In this time, in this place, God waits for us!

Let us worship together!

OPENING PRAYER *(responsive)*

Holy One, who gives us everlasting love, be with us as we open our hearts and minds in worship. We give thanks for your son, Jesus, for he teaches us about the relationship of faith and life.

In this Season of Lent, we pray for your guidance on our own path of faith that we will have the wisdom to accept the miracles you have bestowed upon us.

Let our hearts be open to the great mysteries of the gospel. You have given us the greatest gift, your son.

We ask that we may feel your loving presence in this place as we sing your praises. Amen.

***HYMN VU #288**

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(unison)*

Loving God, we confess our faults to you.

We may sin in small and large ways.

We may be prideful and are not always obedient to your words. Forgive us for our wrongs.

Teach us to live our lives humbly for the sake of your son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

God so loved the world that God sent God’s only son to redeem us. Jesus so loved his God that he humbled himself to come to earth to save us. We are promised eternal life by God’s grace and love.

Thanks be to God!

HEARING GOD’S WORD

TIME FOR ALL AGES

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 17: 1-7, 15, 16

Mark 8: 31-38

RESPONSE: Thanks be to God

SERMON “Promises Made – Promises Kept ”

***HYMN VU #561** “Take Up Your Cross”

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

OFFERING INVITATION

We have a “Giving Station”
at each Entrance and one plate that will
remain at the back entrance throughout the service.

***Please Stand for the Offering Hymn while the
Offering is brought forward**

OFFERTORY REFRAIN VU#603

“In Loving Partnership” vs 1

In loving partnership we come,
seeking, O God, your will to do.
Our prayers and actions now receive,
we freely offer them to you.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION** (unison)
Teach us, God, to offer the very best of
who we are in the service of your will
through the mission of this church:
may we offer hope, joy, and reconciliation
in the world so much in need.
Receive what we give for the sake
of Jesus Christ. *Amen*

PASTORAL PRAYER

The Lord's Prayer..... Amen

***HYMN VU #337** "Blessed Assurance"

***COMMISSIONING/BENEDICTION**

*** SUNG BLESSING VU 117**

"Jesus Christ is Waiting" (vs 5)

Jesus Christ is calling, calling in the streets,

"Who will join my journey? I will guide their feet."

Listen, Lord Jesus, let my fears be few.

Walk one step before me; I will follow you.

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Please remain standing until the Bible is closed.

POSTLUDE

Reminder of our Lenten Coin Challenge

If you didn't receive a coin container last week,

they are still available at the back of the sanctuary.

PRAY TODAY, thanking God for the food you enjoy.

Pray for those who have no food this day.

Pastor Roxanne will not be in the office this coming week. If you need to speak with her during the week, please make contact [Cell 519-280-7744](tel:519-280-7744)

Pastor Roxanne will be away from March 1st through to March 19th on her last "Learning Circle" in Saskatoon.

Rev. Jill Rogers will be providing Pulpit Supply and Emergency Pastoral Care during this time.

Should you have an urgent need for Pastoral Care, please contact Barb Jackson at 519-331-9900

If you know of someone who is ill, in hospital or celebrating a special occasion, please let Dorothy Jackson know at 519-542-5021. Dorothy will send a greeting on behalf of our church family.

TODAY, we invite you to stay after our service to enjoy SESSION'S "Sandwiches, Squares & Fruit" Don't worry if you didn't bring anything, there will be lots to share.

REMINDER

Friday, March 1st, at 2:00 PM

at London Road West

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Our UCW will host the World Day of Prayer service and offer a time of refreshment and friendship following. The theme in 2024 is "Women Of Palestine" We hope you will join us.

London Road West United Church is a welcoming congregation celebrating God's presence through worship, music, spiritual enrichment and outreach."

"Be with us: Celebrate GOD"

**LONDON ROAD WEST
UNITED CHURCH**

February 25th , 2024

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

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**WELCOME TO OUR SERVICE
THIS MORNING**

