



NEWTOWN United Methodist Church

February 25, 2024 – Second Sunday in Lent

Worship is a time to move closer to God and receive spiritual energy for living courageously and serving others faithfully.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Choral Introit "Glory In The Cross" D. Schutte

*Call to Worship

Leader: I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

People: My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad.

Leader: O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together.

People: I sought the Lord, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears.

Leader: Look to him, and be radiant, so your[a] faces shall never be ashamed.

People: This poor soul cried and was heard by the Lord and was saved from every trouble.

Leader: The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him and delivers them.

People: O taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who take refuge in him.

*Hymn "El Shaddai" UMH #123

*Opening Prayer

El Shaddai, God Almighty, we come today to worship and praise You, to honor and glorify You. For You are our King, our Savior, our Lord. Open our hearts and minds to hear Your truth. Teach us what You need each of us to learn this day, and guide us into greater and greater knowledge of and trust in you. In Your holy name we pray. Amen

*Affirmation of Faith UMH #881

Old Testament Reading Ezekiel 37: 24-28 Pew Bible pg. 807

Choral Anthem "Must Jesus Bear The Cross" J. Martin

*Gospel Reading Mark 8:31-38 Pew Bible pg. 44

Message "Are You Ready?" Rev. Debbie Rakos

Closing Prayer

*The Lord's Prayer (*unison*)

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass 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.

*Hymn "I Am Thine, O Lord" UMC #419

Invitation to Generosity

Offertory

*Response Doxology, UMH #95

**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**

*Offertory Prayer

*Hymn "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus" TFWS #2129

*Dismissal and Blessing

*Postlude

*Please Stand as you are able

We welcome Pat Guth as our guest organist!

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