



NEWTOWN United Methodist Church

March 1, 2026 – Second Sunday in Lent

Prelude

Choral Introit “Come, O Long- Expected Jesus” arr. D. Lasky

Welcome and Announcements

*Gathering Hymn “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” UMH #139
(Verses 1, 2, & 5)

*Call to Worship

Leader: In the wilderness, God taught the people what truly sustains life.

People: We come hungry for more than bread alone.

Leader: In prayer, in generosity, in quiet surrender, God reshapes the heart.

People: We come to be formed, not to perform.

Leader: Where our treasure is, there our heart will be also.

**People: We come to set our hearts on the One who gives us life.
Amen.**

*Opening Hymn “Spirit of the Living God” UMH #393
(Sing twice)

*Opening Prayer

Gracious and Faithful God, You led Your people through the wilderness to teach them what truly sustains life. As we gather in this season of Lent, search our hearts and reshape our desires. Where we have treasured what cannot last, turn us again toward what is eternal. Form us in the hidden places through prayer, generosity, and quiet trust. Train our hearts to love what You love, until our lives reflect your grace in the world. In Jesus’ name, Amen.

*Affirmation of Faith UMH #881

Old Testament Reading Deuteronomy 8:2-6 Pew Bible pg.165

Choral Anthem “Out of the Depths I Cry to Thee” arr. K. Lee Scott

Gospel Reading Matthew 6:1–21 Pew Bible pg. 5

Sermon Series **The Inner Work of the Cross** Pastor R. Brailsford
“Where Your Treasure Is”

Pastoral Prayer

*Hymn “I Surrender All” UMH #354
(Verses 1, 2 & 3)

Invitation to Generosity

Offertory Instrumental

*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

Invitation to Communion (Gluten Free available), UMH Pg.13

Passing of the Peace

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.

*Closing Hymn

"My Hope Is Built"

UMH #368
(Verses 1, 2, & 4)

*Dismissal and Blessing

Postlude

*Please Stand if able



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