

**Fourth Sunday of Lent**  
**Submission and power**  
**March 15, 2026**

**Preaching**

Phil Yoder's sermon  
read by Jeff Gundy

**Worship Leader**

Kendra Nickel

**Pianist/Organist**

Anne Marie Spelman

**Gathering**

Music Calls Us                      *Here We Become Your Living Church*                      Nicolaus Dercius

Welcome, Announcements, Centering

Prelude                      *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence*                      Michael Larkin

Invocation

\*Opening Hymn                      *Blessed Assurance*                      VT 65

\*Responsive Reading

One: We gather for worship, seeking a kingdom that is not of this world.

**Many: "Your Kingdom come! Your will be done on earth!"**

One: We pray. Then we look around . . .Where is it? What is truth?

We gather for worship, asking questions and staying the course.

We pray again and again,

**Many: "Your kingdom come!"**

One: Looking and longing . . .Where is it? Where are you?

We gather for worship and find that God is here.

**Many: On earth as in heaven.**

One: God's kingdom now and not yet; here and in the world to come.

**All: Let us worship our God.**

**Telling God's Story**

Hymn                      *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence*                      VT 435  
   Children come forward on v. 4

Conversation with Children                      Carrie Mast

Hymn                      *My Song Is Love Unknown*                      VT 320

Confession Poem

One: Jesus, your kingdom doesn't work the way we expect.

**Many: Power, honor—everything is backward.**

One: Are you the king? What is the truth?

**Many: We feel for Pilate, wondering how a prisoner can be king.**

One: If you have power, why are you here instead of sitting on a throne in glory?

**Many: Why don't you call in your armies?**

**Silence the naysayers, free yourself, conquer the oppressors!**

One: And you say, "My kingdom is not of this world."

**Many: You say, "This is how I testify to the truth."**

**All: You say, "Listen to my voice."**

Chancel Choir                      *Lord, You Have Been Our Refuge*                      John L. Bell  
   LuAnn Stuckey, director; Judy Steiner, piano  
Congregation: sing with the choir on the refrain

Community Prayer                      Pastor Carrie Mast  
*The Lord's Prayer (Abana)*                      Handout in pew rack

Scripture                      John 18:28-40                      Jori Mast

Message                      *Who is My Authority?*

**Living God's Story**

\*Hymn of Response                      *You Are Salt for the Earth*                      VT 297

Offering  
    Invitation  
    Offertory                      *Prelude in E Minor*                      Frédéric Chopin  
    Prayer of Dedication

**Sending**

\*Hymn of Sending                      *Lord, I Am Fondly, Earnestly Longing*                      VT 555

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

*\*Please rise in body or in spirit*  
   - VT: *Voices Together (Purple Bound Book)*  
*Parents of young children: God put the wiggle in children, so no need to suppress those wiggles.*  
*Sitting closer to the front makes it easier for your little ones to engage.*  
*Also, children learn their behavior by mimicking you. Sing the hymns, pray, and voice the responses.*  
*Feel free to leave the sanctuary with your child, but you're welcome to come back.*  
*As Jesus said, "Let the children come to me."*