



### February 18, 2024 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

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## Welcome!

Services at 8:00 & 9:30 am • See gilbertumc.org for streaming information \*please stand as you are able

Pre-service Music "There's Something About That Name His Name is Wonderful | Jesus, Name Above All Names"

**Ringing of the Bell** 

Welcome and Greeting

Bringing in the Light of Christ

Prelude

"Near to the Heart of God"

#### \*Call to Worship

Liturgist

- Leader: Lenten travelers, when you feel the security of God's love, affirmation of God's call, and covered in God's grace.
- People: God comes near.
- Leader: When you feel deserted and alone, starving and parched for a caring hand or an encouraging word, troubled and uncertain as the ground under you shifts like sand.
- People: God comes near.
- Leader: When you feel emboldened to act, inspired to speak, energized to live as bearers of the good news that the Kingdom of God is here.
- People: God comes near.
- Leader: In all seasons of our lives, God comes near to us and does not forsake us.
- All: We gather to come near to God whose ever-present love remains near no matter where our journey takes us. Amen.

**\*Opening Hymn** *"Come Thou Almighty King"* vs. 1,2,3,4 **#61** 

*Opening Prayer	Liturgist	
Source of hope, bring us into the presence of hope. Inspire us with the	he strength	
of faith. Shower us with the waters of mercy and grace, that our hope may be		
renewed as we learn to trust your promise and love. Amen.		

Anthem	"Amazing Grace"	Choir		
Sacrament of Baptism (9:30)	) Elyonah Amali Mwelwa			
"Child of Blessing, Child of Promise" vs. 1				
Scripture Reading	1 Peter 3:18-22   Mark 1:9-15			

Scripture Reading Message

Pastoral Prayer / The Lord's Prayer

### **Song of Response**

	(8:00)	"Spirit Song"	VS 1,2	#347
	(9:30)	"Great Is Thy Faith	fulness"	Praise Band
<b>Time of Offerin</b>	g			
	(8:00)	"O Love That Wilt Not	Let Me Go"	Marilyn
	(9:30)	"Firm Foundation"		Praise Band
*Doxology	"Praise God, J	from whom all Blessing	s Flow"	#95

#### \*Offering Prayer

Liturgist

Holy God, thank you for entrusting us with this good earth. Thank you for sharing your gifts with us. Help us live up to your trust, even as we learn to place our trust in you. Bless the gifts that we share, that they may honor the generosity you have shown us. In trust and gratitude, we pray. Amen.

*Closing Music	(8:00)	"Take Time to Be Holy"	Vs 1,2,3,4 <b>#395</b>
	(9:30)	"Holy Water"	Praise Band
*Blessing Postlude	"Take the Name of Jesus With You"		Marilyn

## Thank you for joining our services today!

If you have any questions or comments please contact us at connection@gilbertumc.org

**CLERGY:** Pastor Rick Casebolt and Pastor Adriana Hernandez MUSIC DIRECTOR: Randy Van Der Pol ORGANIST: Marilyn Harter TODAY'S LITURGISTS: SHARON KOTSONAS & EVELYN PLUMMER

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> > SUNDAYS IIAM ROOM 136 Facilitated by Pastor Adriana 2/18, 2/25, 3/3, 3/10, 3/17 & 3/24





# Monday Feb 19

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In observance of Presidents Day



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