

Pastor: R. Garret Szantner ♦ **Director of Church Music:** Jean La Crosse
Office Manager: Janith W. Mason

Lent Small Groups - *there is still room!* You are invited to join a Lent small group focused on Brian McLaren's Devotional, [We Make The Road By Walking](#). Two groups are forming: Sunday mornings at 11am and Monday mornings at 10am. Please email pastorgarret@lynnwoodreformed.org if you are interested

Where is my...? Please check the Lost & Found and the exchange shelves in the coatroom for any items you have forgotten. There are many items and dishes left behind from church events.

Guilderland Food Pantry needs for Easter: scalloped potatoes (box), Jiffy muffin mix (box), Gravy (cans), canned Fruit (any).

Save the date! Saturday, April 22 – the return of the Lynnwood Talent Show! Sign up in the narthex.

We're Hiring: We are currently looking for a new Office Manager and a Director of Faith Formation. For more information please see our webpage at: www.lynnwoodreformed.org/werehiring

Wrapped in Love - During Lent the Prayer Shawl Ministry would like to honor all those who have contributed shawls to bless others. Some of these shawls will be displayed in the pews during worship services. Please touch them and say a prayer for the person who will receive them. If you are going through a challenging time or know someone who is, please take a shawl of your choice with the prayer and card accompanying it after the service.

Later Today	Coffee Fellowship Street Soldiers meal prep 11:30 Suburban Sounds 4:00
Tue 28	Prayer Shawl - noon to 3 <Girl Scouts 5048> 6:00
Wed 1	Stretching with Friends 5:45 Worship team 6:00 Choir 7:30
Thu 2	In His Presence 9:30 Band 6:30
Fri 3	<Pine Bush Players> 4:00
Sat 4	<Maria's Prayer>10:00
Sun 5	Communion Street Soldiers meal prep 11:30 Suburban Sounds 4:00 Youth Fellowship 5:30

LYNNWOOD REFORMED CHURCH

FEBRUARY 26, 2023
FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



The Denial of Peter, Anton Robert Leinweber (1845-1921)

MATTHEW 26:31–35

“PETER: FRIEND, FAITHFUL, & FICKLE”

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GATHERED BY GOD

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Welcome

Prelude

*Call to Worship Walt Cogswell

God's grace is beyond our capacity
and so we come to give thanks for forgiveness we can never earn.

God's grace demands our response
and so we come to learn the ways of faithful living.

God's grace is meant to be shared
and so we come to encounter love and be equipped for loving.

*Song of Gathering "Come As You Are"

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession

God of all ages past and hope for years to come,
Forgive us for what we do and what we fail to do.
And by your Holy Spirit, continue to work in our lives
that we might receive full life in Christ, now and forevermore. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

*Song of Praise "Open the Eyes of My Heart"

A Prayer with the Children, Dismissal to Explorations

RECEIVING GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings Matthew 26:31-35 Amanda Wilber

Sermon "Peter: Friend, Faithful, & Fickle" R. Garret Szantner

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*Song of Response "Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me"

Ministry Updates

Offering

Prayer of Dedication Amanda Wilber

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer Neil Satterly

GOING OUT WITH GOD'S BLESSING

*Song of Sending "Christ Our Hope In Life or Death"

*Benediction

Postlude

**indicates standing for those able. Bold type indicates congregational response*

At Lynnwood Reformed Church, we affirm the great diversity of God's creation in our communities. This diversity includes persons from various economic, ethnic, and cultural backgrounds, gender expressions and sexual identities, and gifted with a variety of abilities. We also believe that God's unconditional love, as demonstrated through Jesus Christ, is intended for all. As such, all people are welcome to participate fully in the life of the church.