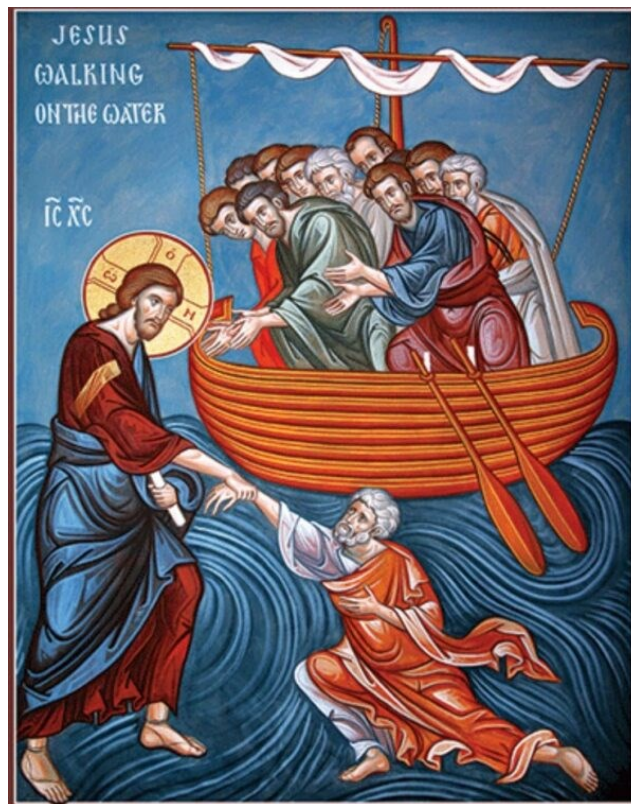




Shine God's Light

As disciples of Christ, we share and rejoice
in the warmth of God's love and light by
teaching the holy word,
serving Christ's community, and
growing together in faith.



February 25, 2024
Second Sunday in Lent

The Service for the Lord's Day
Second Sunday in Lent
Ordination and Installation of Elders and Deacons

February 25, 2024

9:30 am

Prelude

Andante Con Moto (Symphony No. 9)
Elegy

Franz Schubert
G. T. Thalben-Ball

Call to Worship

One: God welcomes the dreamers and the doubters,

All: the courageous and the fearful,

One: the hungry and the hopeful,

All: the impatient and the reserved.

One: God welcomes the young and the old,

All: the poets and the prophets,

One: the faithful and the tired,

All: the curious and the convicted.

One: Wherever you are on your journey, wherever your boat is at sea,

All: there is room for all to gather here.

One: This is God's house.

All: Let us worship the one whom even the seas obey.

*Hymn

In the Cross of Christ I Glory
(stanzas 1, 2 and 5)

No. 213

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Gracious God, There are days that threaten to swallow us, days when the storms of life feel too big. In those moments, we often cling to the sides of our ships in fear, spending more energy hiding from storms than looking for you. Forgive us for doubting ourselves. Forgive us for doubting you. Rescue us from the storms of today and from the fears that trap us. With hope in our hearts we pray, Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

*Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father and Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

*Passing the Peace

(Please check first with those you approach)

Welcome and Announcements

Anthem *Morning Has Broken* Arnold Sherman
Melody Chimes

Children's Message

*Children's offering will be collected as they come forward for the message.
After the message, children and youth may depart for Sunday School or return to their pew.*

Prayer for Illumination Kay Hoge

Old Testament Reading Psalm 22:23–31 (page 435)

Anthem *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* Gilbert M. Martin
(text can be found at hymn 223)

Gospel Reading Matthew 14:22–33 (page 796)

Sermon *Rescue Me from Danger* Rev. Amy Lincoln

Anthem *Come, Peace of God* Mark L. Williams

Come Peace of God and dwell again on earth. Come with the calm that hailed the Savior's birth. Come with the healing of your gentle touch. Come Peace of God that this world needs so much. Break every weapon forged in fires of hate, turn back the foes that would assail your gate: where fields of strife lie desolate and bare, take your sweet flowers of peace and plant them there. Bring selfish lives from shadow-lands of loss, into the radiance of the Savior's cross. Where in that gift so precious yet so lone, life finds its unity and love its throne. Come! Blessed peace as when in hush of eve, God's benediction falls on souls who grieve: as shines a star when weary day departs. Come! Peace of God and rule within our hearts. Come! Peace of God.

Ordination and Installation of Elders and Deacons

Presentation

Constitutional Questions to the Elders and Deacons

*Apostles' Creed (in unison)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Constitutional Questions to the Congregation

Ordination/Installation Prayer and Laying on of Hands

The Declaration and Charge of the Moderator

Offering

We invite you to consider giving out of gratitude to God after worship today either by placing your offering in the wooden box hanging on the wall at each exit, scanning the QR code in your pew and/or giving online through the church website at www.flemingtonpres.org, or mailing a check to the church office at 10 East Main Street, Flemington, NJ 08822. We give thanks for your generosity, allowing our mission and ministry together to continue.

Prayer of Dedication

*Doxology

No. 607

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow: praise Christ all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God whom we adore. Amen.**

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; 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, the Lord of Sea and Sky

No. 69

*Charge and Benediction

Response

Benediction

Eric T. Houghton

The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you, the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace. Amen.

Postlude

Forth in Your Name

Lani Smith

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