## Reflections

Greeting

Prelude

Call to Worship • adapted from Galatians 6:14

Hymn of Adoration • Lift High the Cross

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### Invocation

Confession of Faith • The Heidelberg Catechism Q&A #60

Choral Confession of Sin • Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon • Ephesians 2:8-9

Ascription of Praise • King of Kings, I Ask Thee Deign

**Prayer of Intercession** 

Offering

With grateful hearts for God's extravagant mercy and blessing, we joyfully present our offerings to the Lord for the ministry of our church and community.

You may give your offering by using the "give" button online at <u>www.cpcstl.org</u>. Those worshiping in person may give their gift in the offering box provided by our ushers after the service.

<u>Children's Worship</u>

Parents, please bring participating children age 4-1st grade downstairs to the Heartland Room during the following hymn.

**Hymn of Preparation** • *Jesus Sinners Doth Receive* 

#### Scripture Reading • Matthew 9:35-38

# Sermon • The Heart Of God Matthew 9:35-38 1. God's Method (9:35) 2. God's Heart (9:36) 3. God's Answer A. Go (9:37) B. Pray (9:38)

February 27, 2022

## Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Communion Hymn • Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross

**Benediction** 

**Threefold Amen** 

The Peace of Christ

Postlude

Guest Preacher

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Musicians – Jonathan McGuire, Organ & Piano

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