



**Fourth Sunday in Lent  
March 19, 2023**

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## 849 Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

1 Praise the One who breaks the dark - ness With a lib - er -  
2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren With a strong, yet  
3 Let us praise the Word In - car - nate, Christ, who suf - fered

at - ing light; Praise the One who frees the pris - 'ners,  
gen - tle, word; Praise the One who drove out de - mons  
in our place. Je - sus died and rose vic - to - rious

Turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight. Praise the One who preached the  
With the pierc - ing, two - edged sword. Praise the One who brings cool  
That we may know God by grace. Let us sing for joy and

Gos - pel, Heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease, Calm - ing  
wa - ter To the des - ert's burn - ing sand; From this  
glad - ness, See - ing what our God has done; Let us

storms, and feed - ing thou - sands With the ver - y Bread of peace.  
Well comes liv - ing wa - ter, Quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.  
praise the true Re - deem - er, Praise the One who makes us one.

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## Confession and Absolution

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**
- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C **Amen.**

*Stand*

## Service of the Word

**Introit**

*Psalm 27:4–6; antiphon: Psalm 25:15*

My eyes are ever toward the LORD,

**for he will pluck my feet out of the net.**

One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after:

**that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in his temple.**

For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble;

**he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high upon a rock.**

And now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy;

**I will sing and make melody to the LORD.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son**

**and to the Holy Spirit;**

**as it was in the beginning,**

**is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

My eyes are ever toward the LORD,

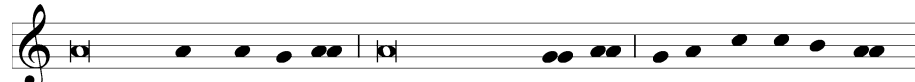
**for he will pluck my feet out of the net.**



**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



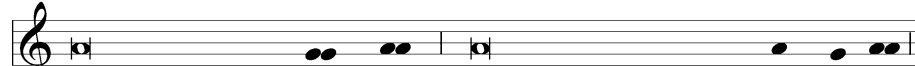
**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For the peace from a-bove and for our sal-va-tion let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



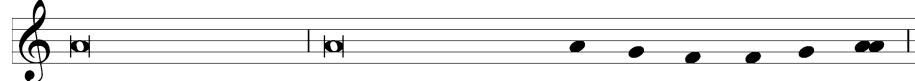
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the uni-ty of all let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



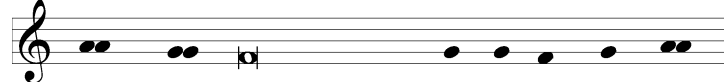
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise



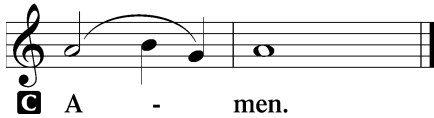
let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



### Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

### Old Testament Reading

*Isaiah 42:14–21*

<sup>14</sup>For a long time I have held my peace;  
I have kept still and restrained myself;  
now I will cry out like a woman in labor;  
I will gasp and pant.

<sup>15</sup>I will lay waste mountains and hills,  
and dry up all their vegetation;  
I will turn the rivers into islands,  
and dry up the pools.

<sup>16</sup>And I will lead the blind  
in a way that they do not know,  
in paths that they have not known  
I will guide them.

I will turn the darkness before them into light,  
the rough places into level ground.  
These are the things I do,  
and I do not forsake them.

<sup>17</sup>They are turned back and utterly put to shame,  
who trust in carved idols,  
who say to metal images,  
“You are our gods.”

<sup>18</sup>Hear, you deaf,  
and look, you blind, that you may see!

<sup>19</sup>Who is blind but my servant,  
or deaf as my messenger whom I send?  
Who is blind as my dedicated one,  
or blind as the servant of the LORD?

<sup>20</sup>He sees many things, but does not observe them;  
his ears are open, but he does not hear.

<sup>21</sup>The LORD was pleased, for his righteousness' sake,  
to magnify his law and make it glorious.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

### Vocal Choir "Wonderful, Merciful Savior"

*by Dawn Rodgers & Eric Wyse*

### Epistle

*Ephesians 5:8–14*

<sup>8</sup>For at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light <sup>9</sup>(for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), <sup>10</sup>and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. <sup>11</sup>Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. <sup>12</sup>For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret. <sup>13</sup>But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, <sup>14</sup>for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

“Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead,  
and Christ will shine on you.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

### Stand

### Alleluia and Verse (Lent)

*LSB 173*



**C** Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gra - cious and



mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in



stead-fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

## Holy Gospel

*John 9:1-41*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the ninth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>As [Jesus] passed by, he saw a man blind from birth. <sup>2</sup>And his disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” <sup>3</sup>Jesus answered, “It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, but that the works of God might be displayed in him. <sup>4</sup>We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work. <sup>5</sup>As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.” <sup>6</sup>Having said these things, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva. Then he anointed the man’s eyes with the mud <sup>7</sup>and said to him, “Go, wash in the pool of Siloam” (which means Sent). So he went and washed and came back seeing.

<sup>8</sup>The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar were saying, “Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?” <sup>9</sup>Some said, “It is he.” Others said, “No, but he is like him.” He kept saying, “I am the man.” <sup>10</sup>So they said to him, “Then how were your eyes opened?” <sup>11</sup>He answered, “The man called Jesus made mud and anointed my eyes and said to me, ‘Go to Siloam and wash.’ So I went and washed and received my sight.” <sup>12</sup>They said to him, “Where is he?” He said, “I do not know.”

<sup>13</sup>They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. <sup>14</sup>Now it was a Sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. <sup>15</sup>So the Pharisees again asked him how he had received his sight. And he said to them, “He put mud on my eyes, and I washed, and I see.” <sup>16</sup>Some of the Pharisees said, “This man is not from God, for he does not keep the Sabbath.” But others said, “How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?” And there was a division among them. <sup>17</sup>So they said again to the blind man, “What do you say about him, since he has opened your eyes?” He said, “He is a prophet.”

<sup>18</sup>The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight, until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight <sup>19</sup>and asked them, “Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?” <sup>20</sup>His parents answered, “We know that this is our son and that he was born blind. <sup>21</sup>But how he now sees we do not know, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself.” <sup>22</sup>(His parents said these things because they feared the Jews, for the Jews had already agreed that if anyone should confess Jesus to be Christ, he was to be put out of the synagogue.)

<sup>23</sup>Therefore his parents said, “He is of age; ask him.”

<sup>24</sup>So for the second time they called the man who had been blind and said to him, “Give glory to God. We know that this man is a sinner.” <sup>25</sup>He answered, “Whether he is a sinner I do not know. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see.” <sup>26</sup>They said to him, “What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?” <sup>27</sup>He answered them, “I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?” <sup>28</sup>And they reviled him, saying, “You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. <sup>29</sup>We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from.” <sup>30</sup>The man answered, “Why, this is an amazing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. <sup>31</sup>We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if anyone is a worshiper of God and does his will, God listens to him. <sup>32</sup>Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a man born blind. <sup>33</sup>If this man were not from God, he could do nothing.” <sup>34</sup>They answered him, “You were born in utter sin, and would you teach us?” And they cast him out.

<sup>35</sup>Jesus heard that they had cast him out, and having found him he said, “Do you believe in the Son of Man?” <sup>36</sup>He answered, “And who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?” <sup>37</sup>Jesus said to him, “You have seen him, and it is he who is speaking to you.” <sup>38</sup>He said, “Lord, I believe,” and he worshiped him. <sup>39</sup>Jesus said, “For judgment I came into this world, that those who do not see may see, and those who see may become blind.” <sup>40</sup>Some of the Pharisees near him heard these things, and said to him, “Are we also blind?” <sup>41</sup>Jesus said to them, “If you were blind, you would have no guilt; but now that you say, ‘We see,’ your guilt remains.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

### **Apostles' Creed**

C **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 Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.**



From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

420 Christ, the Life of All the Living

sts. 1-3, 7



1 Christ, the life of all the liv - ing, Christ, the death of  
2 Thou, ah! Thou, hast tak - en on Thee Bonds and stripes, a  
3 Thou hast borne the smit - ing on - ly That my wounds might  
7 Then, for all that wrought my par - don, For Thy sor - rows



death, our foe, Who, Thy - self for me once giv - ing  
cru - el rod; Pain and scorn were heaped up - on Thee,  
all be whole; Thou hast suf - fered, sad and lone - ly,  
deep and sore, For Thine an - guish in the Gar - den,



To the dark - est depths of woe: Through Thy suf - f'rings,  
O Thou sin - less Son of God! Thus didst Thou my  
Rest to give my wea - ry soul; Yea, the curse of  
I will thank Thee ev - er - more, Thank Thee for Thy



death, and mer - it I e - ter - nal life in - her - it.  
soul de - liv - er From the bonds of sin for - ev - er.  
God en - dur - ing, Bless - ing un - to me se - cur - ing.  
groan - ing, sigh - ing, For Thy bleed - ing and Thy dy - ing,



Thou-sand, thou - sand thanks shall be, Dear - est Je - sus, un - to Thee.  
Thou-sand, thou - sand thanks shall be, Dear - est Je - sus, un - to Thee.  
Thou-sand, thou - sand thanks shall be, Dear - est Je - sus, un - to Thee.  
For that last tri - um - phant cry, And shall praise Thee, Lord, on high.

Text: Ernst Christoph Homburg, 1605-81; (sts. 1-2, 7): tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-78, alt.; (st. 3): tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, St. Louis

Tune: Das grosse Cantional, 1687, Darmstadt

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## Prayer of the Church

Following the prayers, the people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, “Peace be with you,” as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).

### Offertory

LSB 176



**C** What shall I ren - der to the Lord for all His ben - e-fits to



me? I will of-fer the sac-ri - fice of thanks - giv - ing and will



call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-



va-tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my



vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo - ple, in the



courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je-ru - sa - lem.

## Service of the Sacrament

### Preface

LSB 177



**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And al-so with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** We lift them to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

**Sanctus**

*LSB 178*

**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of

pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your

glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is He who comes in the name



## Lord's Prayer

**C** 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 trespasses  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
**For Thine is the kingdom  
and the power and the glory  
forever and ever. Amen.**

## Pax Domini

*LSB 180*

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**C** Amen.

## Agnus Dei

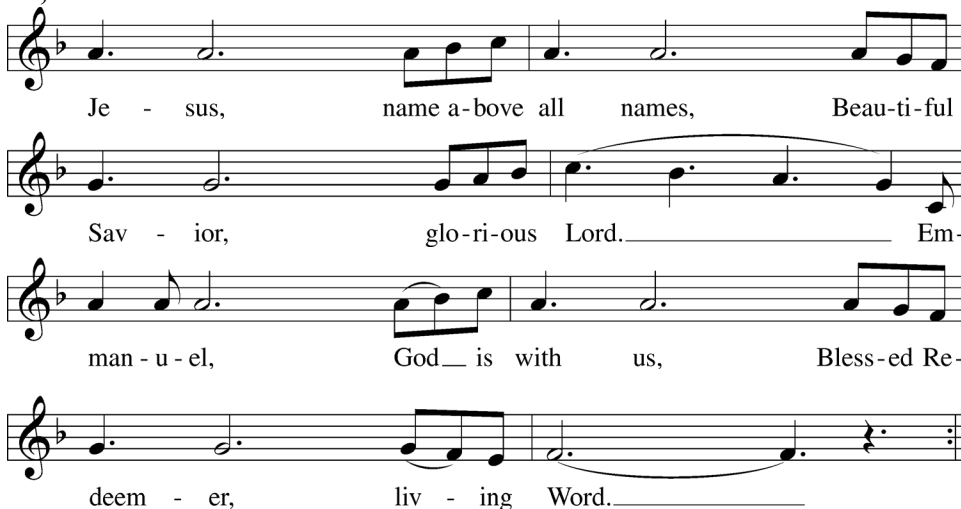
*LSB 180*

**C** Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world;  
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the  
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of  
God, You take a - way the sin of the world;  
grant us peace, grant us peace.

## Distribution

## Distribution Hymn

### 970 Jesus, Name above All Names



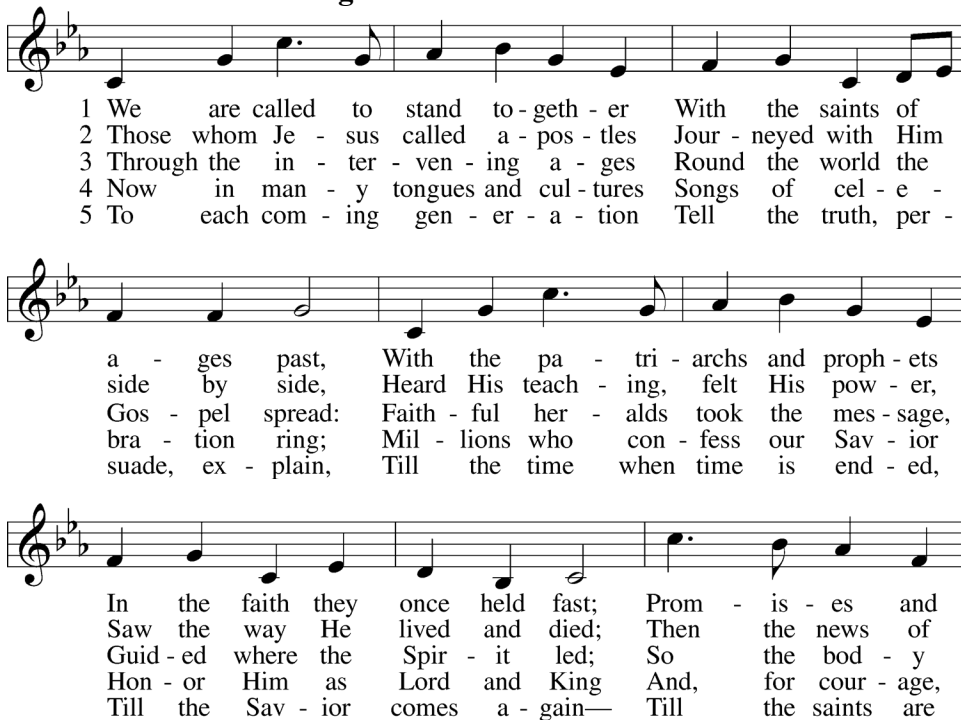
Je - sus, name a - bove all names, Beau - ti - ful  
Sav - ior, glo - ri - ous Lord. Em -  
man - u - el, God is with us, Bless - ed Re -  
deem - er, liv - ing Word.

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## Distribution Hymn

### 828 We Are Called to Stand Together



1 We are called to stand to - geth - er With the saints of  
2 Those whom Je - sus called a - pos - tles Jour - neyed with Him  
3 Through the in - ter - ven - ing a - ges Round the world the  
4 Now in man - y tongues and cul - tures Songs of cel - e -  
5 To each com - ing gen - er - a - tion Tell the truth, per -  
a - ges past, With the pa - tri - archs and proph - ets  
side by side, Heard His teach - ing, felt His pow - er,  
Gos - pel spread: Faith - ful her - alds took the mes - sage,  
bra - tion ring; Mil - lions who con - fess our Sav - ior  
suade, ex - plain, Till the time when time is end - ed,  
In the faith they once held fast; Prom - is - es and  
Saw the way He lived and died; Then the news of  
Guid - ed where the Spir - it led; So the bod - y  
Hon - or Him as Lord and King And, for cour - age,  
Till the Sav - ior comes a - gain— Till the saints are



hopes they trea - sured Now we find ful - filled at last!  
 res - ur - rec - tion They de - liv - ered far and wide.  
 grew in stat - ure, Serv - ing Christ, the liv - ing head.  
 grace and guid - ance Ev - 'ry day their prayers they bring.  
 all u - nit - ed Un - der Christ's e - ter - nal reign!

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## Nunc Dimittis

LSB 182



Lord, now You let Your ser - vant go in peace; Your word has been ful -



filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - vation which You have pre -



pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re -



veal You to the na - tions and the glo - ry of Your peo - ple Is - ra - el.



Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

## Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His

coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

## Benediction

LSB 183

P The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C **Amen.**

## 924 Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing



1 Lord, dis - miss us with Your bless - ing, Fill our hearts with  
2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion For Your Gos - pel's  
3 Sav - ior, when Your love shall call us From our strug - gling



joy and peace; Let us each, Your love pos - sess - ing,  
joy - ful sound. May the fruits of Your sal - va - tion  
pil - grim way, Let not fear of death ap - pall us,



Tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace. O re - fresh us;  
In our hearts and lives a - bound. Ev - er faith - ful,  
Glad Your sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er,



O re - fresh us, Trav - 'ling through this wil - der - ness.  
ev - er faith - ful To Your truth may we be found.  
may we ev - er Reign with You in end - less day.

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## Prayer of the Church—Responsive Form

### Fourth Sunday in Lent

19 March 2023

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Great Physician, enlighten our eyes by Your blessed Gospel, and hide us in Your shelter in the day of trouble. Provide a home in Your Church for those cast out by this world, and unite them with us in the pure confession of Your name. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord of hosts, Your Son abides among His saints in the temple of His Church. Shelter all those who seek refuge under the cover of His tent, and raise up pastors in every age to serve them in Your name. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Father, through Holy Baptism You have brought us into the light of Christ. Guide us always in Your ways and teach us to know Your will, that we would do what is good and right and true. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord God, those who wait for Your salvation have the promise that You will not forsake them. Lead those who wander in darkness through rough places, that they would find the way of righteousness and not be put to shame. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious Father, You have promised that what we suffer does not condemn us, but instead displays Your glory. Sustain the afflicted in body or soul, [*especially* \_\_\_\_\_,] that they would take heart, trust You for healing and find You even in the midst of their trials. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Lord, everyone who believes in Jesus as Lord will not be put to shame. Unite Your people in a right confession of Your Word, and free them from disagreement over Your truth. Bring us with penitent hearts to receive the great riches of Your Son's body and blood. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

## SERVING IN WORSHIP

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|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Pastor:               | Rev. Joe Baumgarten     |
| Lector:               | Tammy Smith             |
| Organist:             | Linda Gurney            |
| Recorder:             | Lynne Coates            |
| Vocal Choir Director: | Paula Walker            |
| Altar Guild:          | Tammy Smith             |
| Communion Assistant:  | Bert Wheeler            |
| Ushers:               | Roy Genthner, Tim Hovet |
| Coffee:               | Delores Feddersen       |

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## REMEMBER IN PRAYER.....



- + Corenne Jackson, Lloyd Davis, Linda Cheney, Lee Bess, Terry Richmond, Donna Geisler, John Stoecker, Truman Baird, Luda Wiesert, Alma Silberstein, Barbara Best
  - + Homebound members: Jerry Fibelstad, Kay Johnson, Inge Smith
  - + For all who have been dealing with the Covid virus and other viruses this winter.
  - + For our nation and all of God's world dealing with health issues, unrest and violence, weather-related damage, hunger and drought in many countries.
  - + For the people of Ukraine and Russia.
  - + For the people in Turkey and Syria suffering from the earthquake and for the agencies and volunteers there to assist the victims with shelter, food and health care, with clean-up of the destruction, and with the continued search for victims.
  - + The blessing of the UO Student Food Pantry housed here at Grace.
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**An Easter Lily or Plant** – If you would like to provide an Easter lily or a plant for Easter, please bring to the church on Good Friday or Saturday. If you have questions please see Donna Geisler.

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:** The Newsletter **deadline** for submitting articles for the **April 2023** newsletter is **Monday, March 20<sup>th</sup>**. Please submit your articles to the office.

**Out of the office** – I will be out of the office from March 17<sup>th</sup> to March 28<sup>th</sup>. But you can still get your newsletter articles in on the 20<sup>th</sup> so they will be waiting for me when I get back!!  
Peggy

## What's Happening at Grace Next Week (Mar 19 – Mar 26)

|                    |         |   |
|--------------------|---------|---|
| Sunday (Mar 19)    | 9:00am  | Adult Bible Study/5 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> Gr Sunday School |
|                    | 10:00am | Worship Service   |
|                    | 11:15am | Coffee  |
|                    | 6:30pm  | <i>(Eugene Recorder Orchestra)</i>                                  |
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| Monday (Mar 20)    |         | <b>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE FOR APRIL</b>                                |
|                    | 7:00pm  | <i>(Eugene Concert Choir)</i>                                       |
| Tuesday (Mar 21)   | 6:00pm  | Church Council Meeting  |
| Wednesday (Mar 22) | 10:00am | Women's Bible Study   |
|                    | 4:00pm  | U of O Food Pantry  |
|                    | 6:10pm  | Bell Choir  |
|                    | 7:00pm  | Lent Worship Service  |
|                    | 7:45pm  | Vocal Choir   |
| Thursday (Mar 23)  | 10:00am | Men's Bible Study   |
|                    | 4:00pm  | U of O Food Pantry  |
|                    | 6:30pm  | <i>(Eugene Tuba Ensemble)</i>                                       |
| Friday (Mar 24)    | 10:00am | U of O Pantry Clean-up  |
|                    | 6:00pm  | <i>(Zumba Class)</i>  |
| Saturday (Mar 25)  | 10:00am | <i>(E.A.R.S.)</i>   |
| Sunday (Mar 26)    | 9:00am  | Adult Bible Study/5 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> Gr Sunday School |
|                    | 10:00am | Worship Service   |
|                    | 11:15am | Coffee  |
|                    | 6:30pm  | <i>(Eugene Recorder Orchestra)</i>                                  |

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## **LENT**

### **Lent and Easter 2023**

Lent Worship Services will be on Wednesday evenings  
March 22, March 29

Wednesday Services will be at the following times:

12 Noon – at Hope Lutheran in Springfield

7:00pm – at Grace Lutheran in Eugene

April 2 – Palm Sunday

April 6 – Maundy Thursday

April 7 – Good Friday

April 9 – Easter Sunday

**Ceremonial Part of the Seder** will be held at Hope Lutheran Church on **Wednesday, March 29<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm**. If you plan to attend please call Sherry Smith at 480-720-1295 so she knows how many to set up for that day.

**Pastor's Joe's YouTube channel**

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBMEPT5EQm7NAs50Wx4Tznw>

**OFFICE HOURS** – **Tuesday-Friday from 9:00am to 2:00pm**. You can email me or phone and leave a message when I am not here. Peggy

Members, in case you missed it, we now have an additional church phone number that is used for emergency messages out to you, and we are also using it to give you the Sunday message that pastor is recording each week. **The Number is: (541) 223-9939**

It is our desire that everyone would call the number: (541) 223-9939 if you are calling for the very first time listen to the prompts and then just press "1" when prompted so that your phone number that you are calling from will be added to the emergency calling list. Any questions just call Randy von Ronne at 541-343-0327.

**Do you need help with something?** Call Janet Borchard (541-579-1467) or Elaine Barbisan (541-343-0452) and we will work to find a church member to help you.

**Weekday Bible study opportunities**

Women's Bible study on Zoom meets on Wednesday mornings at 10 am. Our study of the Gospel of John continues with Pastor Joe. If you would like to be added to the email list to receive the Zoom link each week, contact Barb Ronne at [jm@glchurch.org](mailto:jm@glchurch.org). Meeting (even remotely) provides a wonderful way for us to bond with each other, share our burdens and joys, and study God's Word in-depth. Consider joining this study group!

A men's Zoom Bible study continues on Thursday mornings at 10 am. They are currently studying Ephesians. Contact Randy Ronne at [rwr@glchurch.org](mailto:rwr@glchurch.org) to be added to the email list to receive the Zoom link each week.



**Grace Church Donation Page** from Vanco Services

<https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z6T7/home>

Make Online Credit Card Donation to Grace Church  
anytime using web link above or QR Code

**PORTALS OF PRAYER** is a quarterly booklet that contains daily devotions and prayers. The **new January-March booklet** is available on the table in the narthex. Take one home for your daily devotions.

**My Devotions” for children** is available on the table in the narthex. The **March-May** issue is out there now. Consider picking one up for your children or grandchildren to enjoy and grow in their relationship with Jesus.

**Coffee Sign-up Sheet**.... There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex if you would like to sign up for a coffee hour after worship on Sundays.

**Flower Chart...** There is a **new 2023 Flower Chart on the wall by the mailboxes**. If you would like to donate flowers for the altar on Sunday mornings, please sign up on the chart and a reminder will be sent to you.

**College students and young adults:** Let's hang out and get to know one another! Our group will meet **the first Sunday of every month at 5:00pm in Room 5** to share a meal and chat. Any college students and young adults visiting at Grace are welcome to join us anytime! If you're interested in joining, text Kimmy at (951) 805-9868.



**The U of O Student Food Pantry is open here at Grace.** They are here for the students on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons from 4:00-6:00pm. This is great that we can supply the space that is very much needed by the students. Let's keep the Food Pantry and the volunteers in our prayers!

What an opportunity for students (and the pantry staff) to be shown the love of Jesus in our place! Any college students visiting us at Grace, who have a need to supplement your food at home, are encouraged to stop by the food pantry during operating hours to check it out. You will need to show your student ID.

Recycle Bin



**Save your (redeemable 10¢) soda and water cans and plastic containers.** Please do **NOT** put other plastics or cans in the boxes. Two boxes are in the narthex. All donations will be given to Dove Medical. This is an ongoing project. Thank you.

**Grace is hosting a drop-in Zumba class!** Friday evenings 6-7pm. Cost is \$5 per class and friends are welcome. For more information call Cyndi Baumgarten 907-687-6767.

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First Day of Spring is  
Monday – March 20<sup>th</sup>!  
Enjoy!!!

### The Lutheran Hour Broadcast

Sunday Mornings – 8:00am ---- on KKNX – 840 AM

Sunday - 7:00 a.m. on KPIJ 88.5 FM, Junction City

*Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler delivers the messages.*

**March 26 – “Is God Missing in Action?”** – Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. John Nunes.

*(John 11)*

*The Lutheran Hour can also be heard on the internet or downloaded onto an MP3 player at [www.lutheranhour.org](http://www.lutheranhour.org). If you would like to listen to The Lutheran Hour message and need assistance with the above options, please call Barb Ronne at 541-343-0327.*



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