

Third Sunday in Lent



Grape vines growing on a tree

March 20, 2022

Followers of Jesus, sharing God's love with all...
an adventure for life!

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

In Preparation for Worship

- Within the sanctuary please remember that some people use this time of silence to prepare for worship.
- Whenever the cross is carried in procession through the congregation, we turn to face the cross to signify our way of life as followers of Jesus.
- Large-print bulletins and copies of the worship order are available; ask an usher for assistance.
- Assistive hearing devices are available from the ushers.

Love Your Neighbor

- FOR THE FIRST TWO WEEKS AFTER THE END OF THE CITY'S MASK MANDATE, WE ARE STILL REQUIRING PEOPLE TO WEAR MASKS WHILE IN THE BUILDING SO EVERYONE CAN STILL FEEL SAFE.
- Those who wish may stand during the opening and closing hymns and the reading of the Gospel.
- During the passing of the peace, we suggest you place your palms together under your chin in the "namaste" posture as a way to share the peace in a distanced way.
- Individual communion elements are available to pick up inside the sanctuary door.
- If you wish to use one of the first-floor bathrooms, please follow instructions in the bathroom about disinfecting it after your use. Only one person at a time in the restrooms.
- Please silence your cell phone.

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

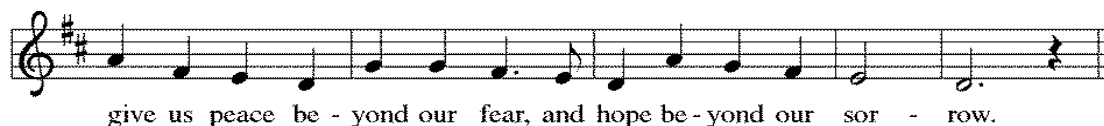
The Old Rugged Cross, arr. Benton Price

Welcome

Please stand in body or spirit

Hymn

Healer of Our Every Ill



- 1 You who know our fears and sad - ness, grace us with your
- 2 In the pain and joy be - hold - ing how your grace is
- 3 Give us strength to love each oth - er, ev - 'ry sis - ter,
- 4 You who know each thought and feel - ing, teach us all your



peace and glad - ness; Spir - it of all com - fort, fill our hearts.
still un - fold - ing, give us all your vi - sion, God of love.
ev - 'ry broth - er; Spir - it of all kind - ness, be our guide.
way of heal - ing; Spir - it of com - pas - sion, fill each heart.

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: HEALER OF OUR EVERY ILL, Marty Haugen

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Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the friendship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Kyrie


Refrain




Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.




Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-'ry day.




1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
2 That we may live out your im-passioned re-sponse to the
3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
4 For your Spir-it to guide; that you cen-ter our lives in the



u-ni-ty of all; for
hun-gry and the poor; that
friends and fam-i-ly; for
wa-ter and the word; that you



this ho-ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
we may live out truth and jus-tice and grace,
life and for love, for our work and our play,
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod-y and blood,



Refrain
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

Please be seated

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD

Reading **Isaiah 55:1-9** (Contemporary English Version, inclusivized)

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

[God calls out to the people,] If you are thirsty,
 come and drink water!

If you don't have any money,
 come, eat what you want!

Drink wine and milk
 without paying a cent.

Why waste your money
 on what really isn't food?

Why work hard for something
 that doesn't satisfy?

Listen carefully to me,
and you will enjoy
 the very best foods.

Pay close attention!
 Come to me and live.

I will promise you
the eternal love and loyalty
 that I promised David.

I made him the leader and ruler
of the nations;
 he was my witness to them.

You will call out to nations
 you have never known.

And they have never known you,
but they will come running
 because I am the Lord,
the holy God of Israel,
 and I have honored you.

Turn to God,
who can still be found!

 Call out to God, who is near.

Give up your crooked ways
 and your evil thoughts.

Return to the Lord our God.

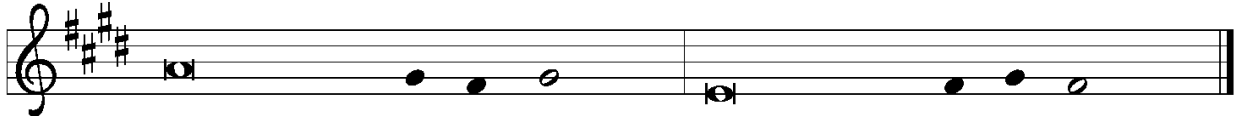
God will be merciful
 and forgive your sins.

The Lord says:
“My thoughts and my ways
are not like yours.
Just as the heavens
are higher than the earth,
my thoughts and my ways
are higher than yours.”

Word of God, Word of Life

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 63:1-8



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O God, you are my God; eager- | ly I seek you;
my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary
land where there | is no water.

**Therefore I have gazed upon you in your | holy place,
that I might behold your power | and your glory.**

For your steadfast love is better than | life itself;
my lips shall | give you praise.

**So will I bless you as long | as I live
and lift up my hands | in your name.**

My spirit is content, as with the rich- | est of foods,
and my mouth praises you with | joyful lips,

**when I remember you up- | on my bed,
and meditate on you in | the night watches.**

For you have | been my helper,
and under the shadow of your wings I | will rejoice.

**My whole being | clings to you;
your right hand | holds me fast.**

Please stand in body or spirit

Gospel Acclamation



Let your stead-fast love come to us, O Lord.



Let your stead-fast love come to us, O Lord.



Save us as you prom-ised; we will trust your word.



Let your stead-fast love come to us, O Lord.

Gospel

Luke 13:1-9 (The Inclusive New Testament)

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke

Glory to you, O Lord.

There were people present who told Jesus about some Galileans whose blood [the Roman Governor] Pilate had mixed with their own sacrifices. Jesus replied, “Do you think these Galileans were the greatest sinners in Galilee just because they suffered this? Not at all! I tell you, you’ll all come to the same end unless you change your ways. Or take those eighteen who were killed by a falling tower in Siloam. Do you think they were more guilty than anyone else who has lived in Jerusalem? Certainly not! I tell you, you’ll all come to the same end unless you change your ways.”

Jesus told this parable: “There was a fig tree growing in a vineyard. The owner came out looking for fruit on it, but didn’t find any. The owner said to the vine dresser, ‘Look here! For three years now I’ve come out in search of fruit on this fig tree and have found none. Cut it down. Why should it clutter up the ground?’

“In reply, the vine dresser said, ‘Please leave it one more year while I hoe around it and fertilize it. If it bears fruit next year, fine; if not, then let it be cut down.’”

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

Commissioning the Leaders of our Ministry with BREAD (Building Responsibility, Equality, and Dignity)

Team Members: Sue Watson, Kathleen Zwanziger, Dave Shull, Michele Disbro, Emily Ott, Kristi Hildebrand

Network Members: Nancy Magargal, Sheryl Owens, Dave Lippert, Julianne Johnson, Maureen Callahan, Diane Brobeck, Bennett Whitaker, Nathan Ott, Margery lehle, Carol Heacock, Tiffany Hedges, Angela Rose, Michelle Clemence

Musical Reflection

Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

John Greenleaf Whittier, Gilbert M. Martin
Senior Choir

Dear Lord and Father of mankind, forgive our fev'rish ways!
Reclothe us in our rightful mind, in purer lives thy service find,
in deeper rev'rence praise, in deeper rev'rence praise.

In simple trust like theirs who heard, beside the Syrian sea,
the gracious calling of the Lord, let us, like them, without a word,
rise up and follow thee, rise up and follow thee.

Oh, Sabbath rest by Galilee! Oh, calm of hills above,
where Jesus knelt to share with thee, the silence of eternity
interpreted by love!

Breathe through the heats of our desire thy coolness and thy balm;
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire; speak through the earthquake, wind,
and fire,

O still, small voice of calm, O still small voice of calm!

Amen.

Apostles' Creed

Let us confess our faith in the Triune God as expressed in these historic words:

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Community Prayers

Let us pray....

Amen.

Included in our daily prayers are those with special needs or concerns:

Bebe McCoy, Robin Stokes, Bonnie Hegreiness, Heidi Carman, Cora Marquez, Mary Kennedy, Diane Louangrath, Kevin Bailey's sister Kleta Childs, Kathie and Nancy Ehrich, Stan Heacock, Jeremy Davis, Bebe McCoy's brother-in-law Walt and sister Jan, Brittany Parsons, Shirley and Jack Miller, Jon Denniss, Mary Bowling's sister Val, Grace and Ken Jones, John Kennedy's niece Michele Wolfe, Kris Kauffman, Kathie Ehrich's sister Betty Weaver, Chad Eberle's mother, Greg Williams, Alyssha Jordan-Bird and Nate Bird, Don Luck, Eileen Day, John Caron, Cathy Oldham and family

The people of Zion Lutheran Church, West Jefferson; Redeemer community member Jil Williams

Children's Time

Sharing the peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Show gestures of peace.

WE SHARE HOLY COMMUNION

Jesus invited all who were hungry for food, healing, justice, and joy to share this communion meal.

Since this is his meal, and he is present to us in it, all are welcome.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

Lift up your hearts.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

And also with you.

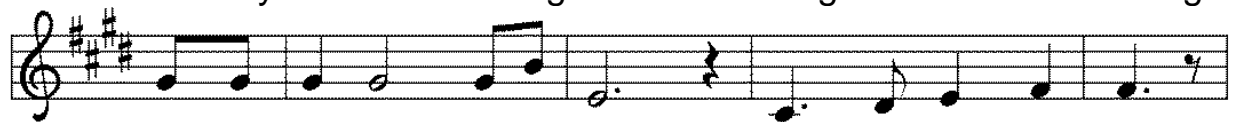
We lift them to the Lord.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We are right to praise you, faithful God! You answer sin with grace; you guide our wayward steps toward home. You are mending for the broken, safety for the poor, belonging for the outcast, strength for the weak, and pardon for the sinner.

You reveal your kindness in every sorrow, your mercy even in death. All your creatures see your works; they sing your steadfast love.

We too declare your wonder and grace as with angels and saints we sing:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho-



san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -



est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-



san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Now, O God, we remember Jesus. He fasted and prayed; he was tempted and tried. He relied on you for everything. He was obedient to you and scorned by the powers of this world. He confounded the haughty and gave hope to the humble. He was betrayed and deserted. He died between thieves and was buried in a borrowed grave. You gave him new life. He lives even now, our healer and friend. He loved us well, loved us to the end, and loves us still.

Even on the night of betrayal, he ate supper with his friends. He took bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to them saying, "Take this and eat. This is my body given for you. Do this to remember me."

After supper, he took the cup and gave it to them, saying, "This is the new covenant sealed in my blood. It is shed for you and all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this to remember me."

Holy Spirit, come! Make all things new. Bless this bread which you have given and human hands have made. Let it become for us the bread of life. Bless also this cup, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. Let it become for us the cup of salvation.

We pray in the name of Jesus, who taught us to say:

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

Bless us also who eat and drink, that in this sharing we may know the living Christ who is with us now. Nourish us with your Spirit so that by these gifts we will be bold followers of Jesus' way and life.

Sharing the Meal

The gifts of God, for the people of God. Jesus welcomed all to this meal. So do we.


The body of Christ, given for you. (*We eat the bread together.*)

The blood of Christ, shed for you. (*We drink the cup together.*)


Hymn

I Received the Living God

Refrain



I re - ceived the liv - ing God, and my heart is full of joy.



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- 1 Je - sus said: I am the bread, knead - ed long to give you life;
- 2 Je - sus said: I am the way, and my Fa - ther longs for you;
- 3 Je - sus said: I am the truth; come and fol - low close to me.
- 4 Je - sus said: I am the life, far from whom no thing can grow,



Refrain

you who will par - take of me need not ev - er fear to die.
so I come to bring you home to be one with us a - new.
You will know me in your heart, and my word shall make you free.
but re - ceive this liv - ing bread, and my Spir - it you shall know.

Text: Anonymous
Music: LIVING GOD, Anonymous

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Thank you, merciful God, for gladness in this bread and cup, for love that cannot die, for peace the world cannot give, for joy in the company of friends, for the splendors of creation, and for the mission of justice you have made our own. Give us the gifts of this holy communion — oneness of heart, love for neighbors, honesty about the harm we have caused and the harm done to us, the will to serve you every day, and life that never ends. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

WE ARE SENT

Please stand in body or spirit

Hymn

Abundant Life

Verse 1 Choir; Verses 2-3 Congregation



1. We can - not own the sun - lit sky, The
2. When bod - ies shiv - er in the night And,
3. God calls hu - man - i - ty to join As



moon, the wild - flow rs grow - ing, For we are
wea - ry, wait for morn - ing, When chil - dren
part - ners in cre - at - ing A fu - ture



part of all that is With - in life s
have no bread but tears, And war - horns
free from want and fear, Life s good - ness



riv - er flow - ing. With o - pen
sound their warn - ing, God calls hu -
cel - e - brat - ing. That new world



hands re - ceive and share The gifts of God s cre -
man - i - ty to wake, To join in com - mon
beck-ons from a - far, In - vites our shared en -



a - tion, That all may have a - bun - dant
la - bor, That all may have a - bun - dant
deav - or, That all may have a - bun - dant



life In ev - ry earth - ly na - tion.
life In one - ness with their neigh - bor.
life And peace en - dure for - ev - er.

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Blessing

Amen.

Announcements

Postlude

***In the Cross of Christ I Glory*, arr. John Carter**

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Adult Education

11:15 am – 12:15 pm

The Seven Deadly Sins

In-Person and Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86225287104?pwd=RjcxboVIYmVXUEs0S2JZVko1eVZTU09>

Meeting ID: 862 2528 7104- **Passcode:** 965357

Phone only: 312 626 6799

Dr. Brad Binau, a Redeemer member, is Professor of Pastoral Theology at Trinity Lutheran Seminary at Capital University.

He is currently teaching a course at Trinity on the Seven Deadly Sins.



Book of Ruth

Led by Adam Howard, our Learning-in-Context student from Trinity Seminary.

We meet **in-person and on Zoom**, and always welcome new voices!

Tuesdays – 1:00 pm

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86358699434?pwd=cTlaaUM5MwVl6U29mNGtsQXhuTnllUT09>

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Journaling Workshop

7:00 pm

March 22

In-Person - Narthex



Midweek Lenten Evening Prayer

Wednesdays March 9-April 6

7:00 pm

In-Person and Livestream

Sign up on the hallway bulletin board if you would like to share a reflection.

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Presiding Minister	David Shull, Pastor
Assisting Minister	Michelle Clemence
Reader	Adam Howard
Cantor	Mary Benis
Crucifer	Skye Andree
ASL Interpreter	Emily Ott
Organist & Senior Choir Director	Kathy Rapp
Pianist & Chimes Choir Director	Karen Kent
Usher	Neil Hoddinott
Verger	Wendy Stoica
Producers	Tom Mimplitch, Helen Brunston

Noisy Offering will go to ReconcilingWorks.

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER MARCH 20 - 27

Today	8:45 am	Chime Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 am	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion
	11:15 am	IN-PERSON and ZOOM Adult Education
	11:15 am	Senior Choir Rehearsal
Tuesday	1:00 pm	IN-PERSON and ZOOM Bible Study
	5:00 pm	Executive Team
	7:00 pm	Journaling Workshop
Wednesday	7:00 pm	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Lenten Evening Prayer
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