

A Reconciling in Christ congregation, celebrating the diversity of God's children and fostering understanding and healing in community

Fourth Sunday in Lent



March 27, 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

- Masks are required coming into the building and in the Narthex. Folks wishing to continue wearing
 masks for worship are encouraged to sit in the pews on the north side of the Sanctuary; those who wish
 to remove their masks may sit on the south side of the Sanctuary.
- 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 insider the Sanctuary door or folks can now choose to receive communion at the front of the church from masked servers distributing individual cups for the wine/grape juice.
- 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

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go, arr. Lloyd Larson

O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee; I give thee back the life I owe, That in thine ocean depths its flow May richer, fuller be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to thee; I trace the rainbow through the rain, And feel the promise is not vain, That morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from thee; I lay in dust life's glory dead, And from the ground there blossoms red Life that shall endless be.

Welcome



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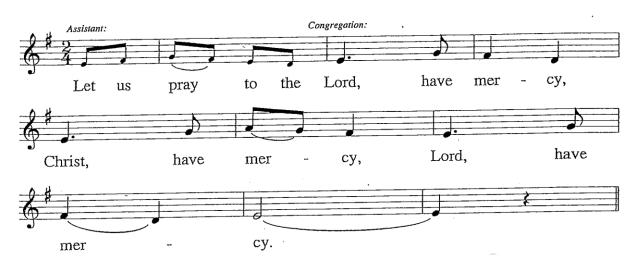
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Greeting

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

In peace, in peace,



- For the Reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all ... (Refrain)
- For your people here, who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your Word ... (Refrain)



Please be seated

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD

Reading2 Corinthians 5:16-21(The Message, inclusivized)A reading from the second letter to the church at Corinth

"We don't evaluate people by what they have or how they look. We looked at the Messiah that way once and got it all wrong, as you know. We certainly don't look at him that way anymore. Now we look inside, and what we see is that anyone united with the Messiah gets a fresh start, is created new. The old life is gone; a new life emerges! Look at it! All this comes from the God who settled the relationship between us and God, and then called us to settle our relationships with each other. God put the world square with Godself through the Messiah, giving the world a fresh start by offering forgiveness of sins. God has given us the task of telling everyone what God is doing. We're Christ's representatives. God uses us to persuade people to drop their differences and enter into God's work of making things right between them. We're speaking for Christ himself now: Become friends with God; God's already a friend with you. How? you ask. In Christ. God put the wrong on him who never did anything wrong, so we could be put right with God."

Word of God, Word of Life

Thanks be to God.



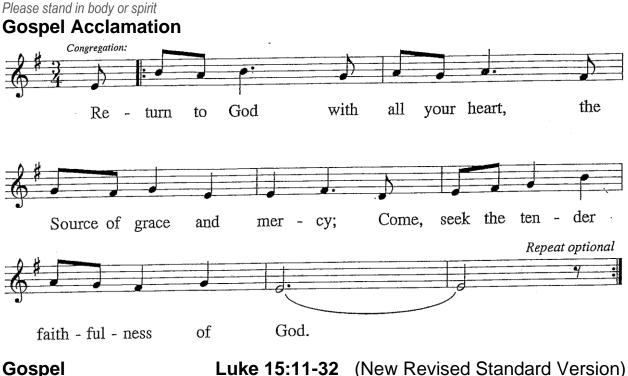


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- Happy are they whose transgressions [|] are forgiven, and whose sin is [|] put away!
- Happy are they to whom the LORD im- | putes no guilt, and in whose spirit there | is no guile!
- While I held my tongue, my bones with-¹ ered away, because of my groaning ¹ all day long.
- For your hand was heavy upon me | day and night; my moisture was dried up as in the | heat of summer.
- Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not con- I ceal my guilt.
 - I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." Then you forgave me the guilt [|] of my sin.
- Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in [|] time of trouble;
 - when the great waters overflow, they | shall not reach them.
- You are my hiding-place; you preserve [|] me from trouble; you surround me with shouts [|] of deliverance.
- "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that | you should go; I will guide you | with my eye.
- Do not be like horse or mule, which have no ¹ understanding; who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will ¹ not stay near you."
- Great are the tribulations | of the wicked;

but mercy embraces those who trust | in the LORD.

Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice [|] in the LORD; shout for joy, all who are [|] true of heart.



The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said,

There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, "father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me." So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, "How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands." So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son." But the father said to his slaves, "Quickly, bring out a robe - the best one - and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!" And they began to celebrate.

Now his elder son was in the field, and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, "your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound." Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, "Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!" Then the father said to him, "Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found."

The Gospel of the Lord Please be seated

Praise to you, O Christ.

Message

Musical Reflection Sing Out to God

Richard E. Voorhaar Senior Choir

LOST

Sing out to God, all people, Freed by our God, all people Sing praise to God, all people, Let our song ring in all the land, let our song ring in all the land.

Our mouths are filled with laughter, Our tongues with joy, and laughter. Restore us, Lord, with laughter, Let our song ring in all the land, let our song ring in all the land. Let us go forth with gladness, And as we sow, sow gladness. O Lord, restore our gladness, Let our song ring in all the land, let our song ring in all the land.

Let us go out, rejoicing, Send up his shout, rejoicing, Join in the harvest, rejoicing, Let our song ring in all the land, let our song ring in all the land.

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....

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

Bebe McCoy, Robin Stokes, Bonnie Hegreness, 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 brotherin-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. Sam Hudson, nephew of Laura and Terry Warren being deployed to Poland, Kathy Denhard.

The people of Advent Lutheran Church, Columbus; Redeemer community member Linda Williams

Children's Time

Sharing the peace

The peace of Christ be with you always. Show gestures of peace.

And also with you.

Amen.

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.

On the last Sunday of the month, we're using a version of the Lord's Prayer that comes from the prayer book of the Anglican Church of New Zealand. We do so as a way to keep broadening our sense of who God is and giving fresh meanings to this familiar and beloved prayer. The Worship Team invites you to pray these new words with an open spirit. Listen for ways the Spirit speaks to you through it. Please share your experiences of praying this prayer with the Worship Team or Pastor Dave.

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.

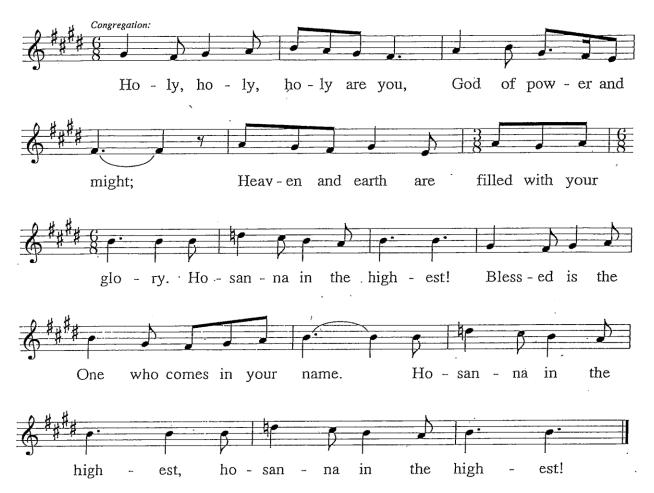
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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:





- 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

(North Side of Sanctuary)	(South Side of Sanctuary)
Our Father in heaven,	Eternal Spirit,
	Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,
	Source of all that is and that shall be,
	Father and Mother of us all,
	Loving God in whom is heaven:
Hallowed be your name.	The hallowing of your name echo through
	the universe!
Your Kingdom come,	The way of your justice be followed by the
	peoples of the world!
Your will be done, on	Your heavenly will be done by all created
earth as in heaven.	beings!
	Your commonwealth of peace and
	freedom sustain our hope and
	Come on earth.
Give us today our daily bread.	With the bread we need for today, feed us.
Forgive us our sins as	In the hurts we inflict, forgive us, as we
we forgive those who sin against us.	forgive those who hurt us.
Save us from the time of	In times of temptation and test,
trial and deliver us	strengthen us.
from evil.	From trials too great to endure, spare us.
	From the grip of all that is evil, free us.
For the kingdom, the	For you reign in the glory of the power
power and the glory are yours,	that is love,
nov	v and for ever. 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.
- You may come forward to receive the elements, or remain seated and use the pre-filled communion cups available at the door.

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.





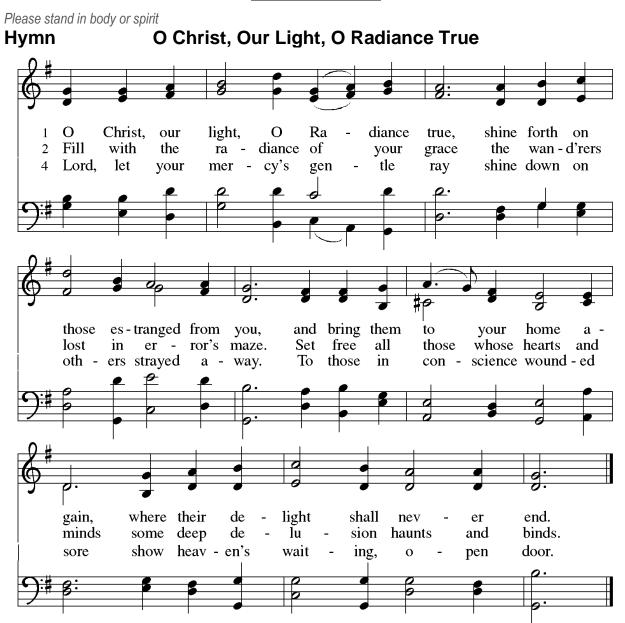
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Prayer of Thanksgiving

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.



WE ARE SENT



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Announcements

Postlude

The Church's One Foundation, arr. Mark Hayes

Amen.

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Adult Education 11:15 am – 12:15 pm *The Seven Deadly Sins* In-Person and Zoom

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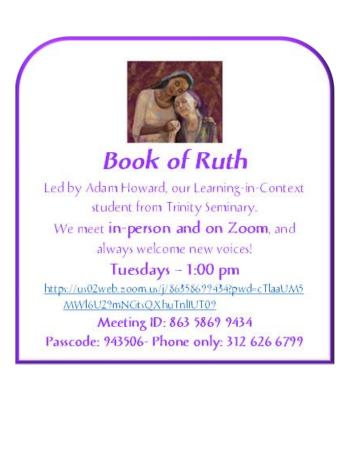
Dr. Brad Binau, a Redeemer member, is Professor of Pastoral Theology at Trinity Lutheran Seminary at Capital University. He is currently teaching a course at Trinity on the Seven Deadly Sins.



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 Preacher Assisting Minister Reader Cantor ASL Interpreter Organist & Senior Choir Director Pianist & Chimes Choir Director Usher Verger Producers Scot

David Shull, Pastor Adam Howard Julianne Johnson Julianne Johnson Connie Criswell Bryan Neal Kathy Rapp Karen Kent Helen Brunston Michelle Clemence Scott Steiner, Michele Disbro

Noisy Offering will go to ReconcilingWorks.

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER MARCH 27 – APRIL 3

Today	8:45 am 10:00 am	Chime Choir Rehearsal 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
	7:00 pm	Congregation Council
Wednesday	7:00 pm	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM
		Lenten Evening Prayer
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