

First Sunday in Lent



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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.
- Please silence your cell phone.

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

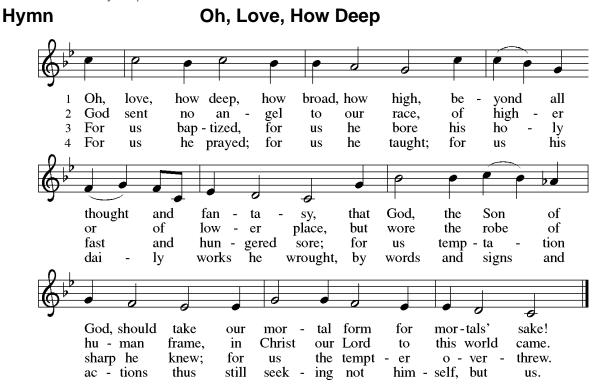
Please be respectful of people who use this time to prepare for worship.

Prelude

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me, arr. Mark Hayes

Welcome

Please stand in body or spirit



Text: Thomas á Kempis, 1380–1471; tr. Benjamin Webb, 1819–1885, alt. Music: DEO GRACIAS, English ballad, 15th cent.

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



Please be seated

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD

Reading Genesis 9:8-17 (The Message)

A reading from the book of Genesis

God spoke to Noah and his sons: "I'm setting up my covenant with you including your children who will come after you, along with everything alive around you—birds, farm animals, wild animals—that came out of the ship with you. I'm setting up my covenant with you that never again will everything living be destroyed by floodwaters; no, never again will a flood destroy the Earth."

God continued, "This is the sign of the covenant I am making between me and you and everything living around you and everyone living after you. I'm putting my rainbow in the clouds, a sign of the covenant between me and the Earth. From now on, when I form a cloud over the Earth and the rainbow appears in the cloud, I'll remember my covenant between me and you and everything living, that never again will floodwaters destroy all life. When the rainbow appears in the cloud, I'll see it and remember the eternal covenant between God and everything living, every last living creature on Earth."

And God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I've set up between me and everything living on the Earth."

May we open ourselves to what the Spirit is saying to the church. Amen.



Psalm 25:1-7



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To I you, O LORD, I lift I up my soul.

My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be | put to shame, nor let my enemies triumph | over me.

Let none who look to you be | put to shame; rather let those be put to shame | who are treacherous.

Show me your | ways, O LORD, and teach | me your paths.

Lead me in your I truth and teach me,

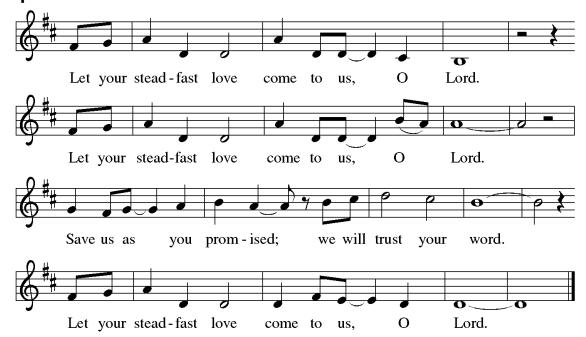
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all I the day long.

Remember, O LORD, your compas- | sion and love, for they are from | everlasting.

Remember not the sins of my youth and | my transgressions; remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your good- | ness, O LORD.



Gospel Acclamation



Gospel

Mark 1:9-15 (The Message)
Glory to you, O Lord.

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark

Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. The moment he came out of the water, he saw the sky split open and God's Spirit, looking like a dove, come down on him. Along with the Spirit, a voice: "You are my Son, chosen and marked by my love, pride of my life."

At once, this same Spirit pushed Jesus out into the wild. For forty wilderness days and nights he was tested by Satan. Wild animals were his companions, and angels took care of him.

After John was arrested, Jesus went to Galilee preaching the Message of God: "Time's up! God's kingdom is here. Change your life and believe the Message."

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

Spoken Reflection

THE GRACE OF REMEMBERING ... AND BEING REMEMBERED

Musical Reflection Glory to God

arr. Joel Raney Senior Choir

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, Amen.

World without end, without end, amen. (3 times) As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, amen.

To God be the glory, our trust is in you, Creator, Sustainer, ever faithful and true, Our Sovereign Redeemer, our covenant, Lord, Both now and forever, your name be adored. (repeat first stanza)

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....

After each petition: "Your mercy is great, O God." Receive our prayer.

Amen.

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

Bebe McCoy, Robin Stokes, Bonnie Hegreness, Heidi Carman, Mary Kennedy, Kevin Bailey's sister Kleta Childs, Jeremy Davis, Bebe McCoy's brother-in-law Walt and her sister Jan, Brittany Parsons, Mary Bowling's sister Val, John Kennedy's niece Michele Wolfe, Maddie Sutphin, Skye Andree, Carolyn Moehring, Kris Kauffman, Emily Ott's aunt Kathy Richter, Ruth Murray's daughter Ellen Rose, John Kennedy's sister and brother-in-law, Becky & Vic Wolfe, Kathie Ehrich and the Ehrich family, Elaine Warren, Terry and Laura Warren's son-in-law Dan Patterson For the people of Fellowship Lutheran Church in Columbus For Redeemer community members Krista Skipper and Daniel and Ty Pawlowski

Time with the Young People

Sharing the peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Members are encouraged to move around the sanctuary to greet each with a hearty handshake or a hug.

For those who have special concerns or who do not wish close contact, please offer a sign of blessing to let others know you are more comfortable greeting them from a distance. We will continue to take a moment to greet those who are worshiping via livestream before greeting those in the sanctuary.



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.

In body or spirit, please stand



^{*} May be sung in canon.

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Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.
Lift up your hearts.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

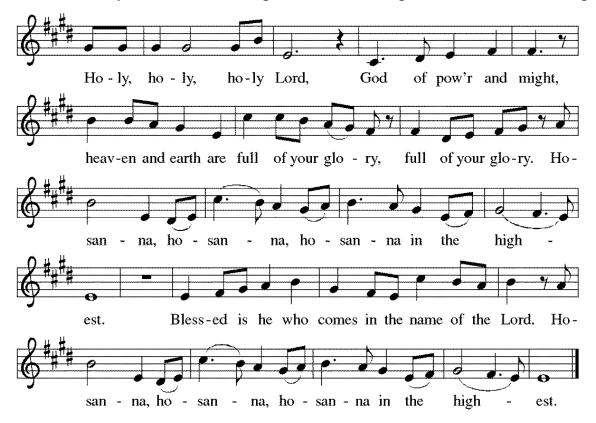
And also with you. We lift them to the Lord.

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

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.

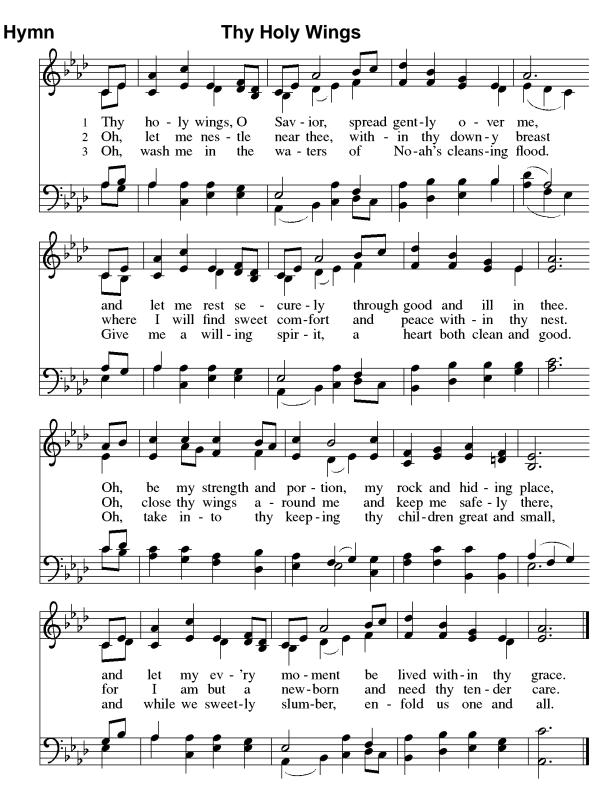
Please be seated

You may come forward to receive the elements, remain seated and use the pre-filled communion cups available at the door, or let an usher know you'd like to be served in your seat. Wine is in the outer rings of the tray, grape-apple juice in the inner ring. Gluten-free wafers are available on request, ask Pastor.



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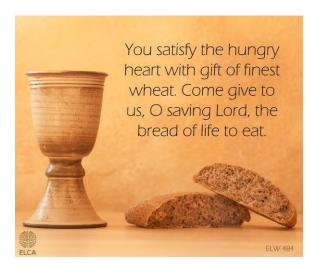
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Prayer of Thanksgiving

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. In Jesus' name we pray.

Amen.



WE ARE SENT

Please stand in body or spirit



Text: William Williams, 1717–1791; tr. William Williams and Peter Williams, 1722–1796, alt. Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873–1932

Blessing Amen.

Announcements

Postlude

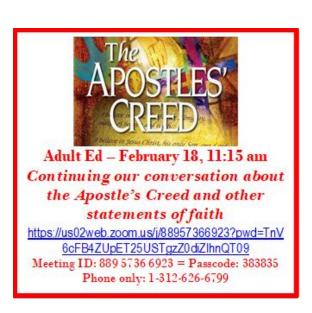
God of Grace, arr. Paul Manz

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Dave Shull will be away February 23-24 for his brother-in-law's wedding. Emergency pastoral care coverage will be provided by the Rev. Julianne Smeck (734) 972-6126.





Adult Ed - February 25, 11:15 am Emily Kent

Sharing Death Doula information

"I have completed my Death Doula training and am eager to share what I've learned. I'm on a mission to increase conversation and decrease anxiety about the dying process."

In-Person and Zoom:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88957366923?pwd=TnV6cFB4ZUp ET25USTgzZ0diZlhnQT09

Meeting ID: 889 5736 6923 = Passcode: 383835 Phone only: 1-312-626-6799



Bible Study The Epistle of James Tuesdays + 1:00 pm

In-Person and Zoom:

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Lenten Soup and Conversation Wednesdays Noon — 1:00 February 21 — March 21 Northex



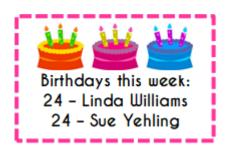
OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Presiding Minister David Shull, Pastor **Assisting Minister** Jon Disbro Cantor Jennifer Young **ASL Interpreter Bryan Neal Organist & Senior Choir Director** Kathy Rapp **Pianist & Chimes Choir Director** Karen Kent **Usher** Kathleen Zwanziger Michelle Clemence / Wendy Stoica Verger **Communion Prep** Katie & Ruby Jacobs, Karen Rider Toshi Phillips, Sue Yehling **Producers Hospitality** Judith and Ashley Bird

Noisy Offering will go to Star House center for youth.

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER FEBURARY 18 - 25

Today	8:45 am 10:00 am	Senior Choir Rehearsal IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion
	11:15 am	In-Person and Zoom Adult Education
Tuesday	1:00 pm	In-Person and Zoom Bible Study
Wednesday	Noon 6:00 pm 7:00 pm	Lenten Soup and Conversation Zoom BREAD Network In-Person and Livestream Lenten Evening Prayer
Saturday	10:00 am	Chime Choir Rehearsal
Next Sunday	8:45 am 10:00 am 11:15 am	Senior Choir Rehearsal IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion IN-PERSON and ZOOM Adult Education



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