

# Fourth Sunday of Lent Sunday, March 30, 2025



#### **ENTRANCE HYMN** | Come Thou Font of Every Blessing Lutheran Book of Worship, No. 499

to sing thy grace; 1 Come, thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Tune my heart Eb - en - e - zer, Hith - er thy help I'm come; by 2 Here I raise my grace how great a debt - or Dai - ly I'm con-strained to be; 3 Oh. to Streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, Call for songs of loud-est praise. ar - rive at home. And I hope, by thy good plea - sure, Safe - ly to Let that grace now like a fet - ter Bind my wan-d'ring heart to thee. While the hope of end-less glo - ry Fills my heart with joy and love, Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, Wan-d'ring from the fold of God; it; Prone to leave the God I love. Prone to wan-der, Lord, I feel thy good-ness prove. a - dore thee; May Teach me ev - er I still to his pre-cious blood. me from dan - ger, In - ter-posed He. to res - cue thy courts a - bove. it; Seal take and seal it for Here's my heart, oh,

### **OPENING ACCLAMATION**

The people stand, as able.

*Celebrant* Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

*People* His mercy endures for ever.

*Celebrant* "Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need."

## **CONFESSION OF SIN**

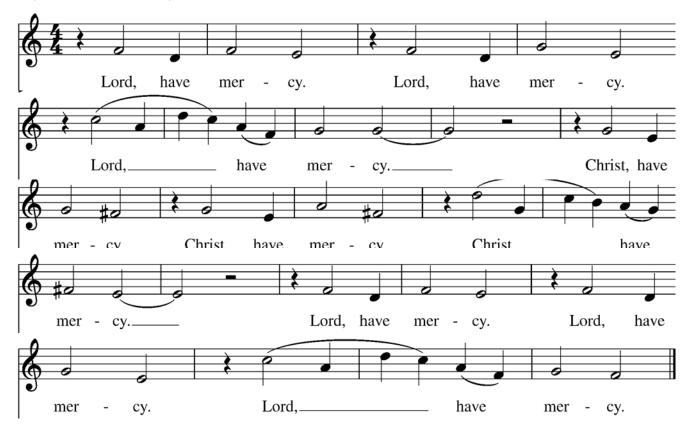
The Deacon or Celebrant says Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Most merciful God, we confess that 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 are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Wonder, Love, and Praise, No. 836

#### The Celebrant says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.* 



**KYRIE** | Lord, Have Mercy

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## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

CelebrantGod be with you.PeopleAnd also with you

*People* And also with you. *Celebrant* Let us pray. Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

## THE READING FROM THE HEBREW BIBLE | Joshua 5:9-12

<sup>9</sup> The LORD said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt." And so that place is called Gilgal to this day.

<sup>10</sup> While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal, they kept the Passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. <sup>11</sup> On the day after the Passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and roasted grain. <sup>12</sup> The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

Hear what the Spirit is Saying to the People. Thanks be to God.

## GRADUAL PSALM | Psalm 124

(A Song of Ascents) Remain seated. The Psalm is read responsively, by whole verse.

- <sup>1</sup> If it had not been the Lord who was on our side —let Israel now say—
- <sup>2</sup> if it had not been the Lord who was on our side, when our enemies attacked us,

<sup>3</sup> then they would have swallowed us up alive, when their anger was kindled against us;

- <sup>4</sup> then the flood would have swept us away; the torrent would have gone over us;
- <sup>5</sup> then over us would have gone the raging waters.
- <sup>6</sup> Blessed be the Lord, who has not given us as prey to their teeth.
- <sup>7</sup> We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the hunters; the snare is broken, and we have escaped.
- <sup>8</sup> Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

### GRADUAL PSALM | Psalm 125

(A Song of Ascents)

<sup>1</sup>Those who trust in the LORD are like Mount Zion, which cannot be moved but abides forever.

<sup>2</sup> As the mountains surround Jerusalem, so the LORD surrounds his people from this time on and forevermore.

<sup>3</sup> For the scepter of wickedness shall not rest on the land allotted to the righteous, so that the righteous might not stretch out their hands to do wrong.

#### <sup>4</sup>Do good, O LORD, to those who are good and to those who are upright in their hearts.

<sup>5</sup> But those who turn aside to their own crooked ways, the LORD will lead away with evildoers. Peace be upon Israel!

## THE EPISTLE | 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

<sup>16</sup> From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we no longer know him in that way. <sup>17</sup> So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; look, new things have come into being! <sup>18</sup> All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; <sup>19</sup> that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. <sup>20</sup> So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ: be reconciled to God. <sup>21</sup> For our sake God made the one who knew no sin to be sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the People.

## THE HOLY GOSPEL | Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

NRSVUE

All stand, as able.

CelebrantThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

15 Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. <sup>2</sup> And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

<sup>11</sup> Then Jesus said, "There was a man who had two sons. <sup>12</sup> The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the wealth that will belong to me.' So he divided his assets between them. <sup>13</sup> A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant region, and there he squandered his wealth in dissolute living. <sup>14</sup> When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that region, and he began to be in need. <sup>15</sup> So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that region, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. <sup>16</sup> He would gladly have filled his stomach with the pods that the pigs were eating, and no one gave him anything. <sup>17</sup> But when he came to his senses he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! 18 I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; <sup>19</sup> I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands." ' 20 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. <sup>21</sup> 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.' <sup>22</sup> 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. <sup>23</sup> And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate, <sup>24</sup> for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate. <sup>25</sup> "Now his elder son was in the field, and as he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. <sup>26</sup> He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. <sup>27</sup> He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf because he has got him back safe and sound.' <sup>28</sup> Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. <sup>29</sup> 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. <sup>30</sup> But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your assets with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' <sup>31</sup> Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. <sup>32</sup> 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.""

CelebrantThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

## EL SANTO EVANGELIO | Lucas 15:1-3, 11b-32

Permanezca de pie, en la medida de lo posible.

Santo Evangelio de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo según Lucas. ¡Gloria a ti, Cristo Señor!

**15** Todos los que cobraban impuestos para Roma y otra gente de mala fama se acercaban a Jesús, para oírlo. <sup>2</sup> Los fariseos y los maestros de la ley lo criticaban por esto, diciendo:

-Éste recibe a los pecadores y come con ellos.

<sup>3</sup>Entonces Jesús les dijo esta parábola:

<sup>11</sup> Jesús contó esto también: «Un hombre tenía dos hijos, <sup>12</sup> y el más joven le dijo a su padre: "Padre, dame la parte de la herencia que me toca." Entonces el padre repartió los bienes entre ellos. <sup>13</sup> Pocos días después el hijo menor vendió su parte de la propiedad, y con ese dinero se fue lejos, a otro país, donde todo lo derrochó llevando una vida desenfrenada. <sup>14</sup> Pero cuando ya se lo había gastado todo, hubo una gran escasez de comida en aquel país, y él comenzó a pasar hambre. <sup>15</sup> Fue a pedir trabajo a un hombre del lugar, que lo mandó a sus campos a cuidar cerdos. <sup>16</sup> Y tenía ganas de llenarse con las algarrobas que comían los cerdos, pero nadie se las daba. <sup>17</sup> Al fin se puso a pensar: "¡Cuántos trabajadores en la casa de mi padre tienen comida de sobra, mientras yo aquí me muero de hambre! <sup>18</sup> Regresaré a casa de mi padre, y le diré: Padre mío, he pecado contra Dios y contra ti; <sup>19</sup> ya no merezco llamarme tu hijo; trátame como a uno de tus trabajadores." <sup>20</sup> Así que se puso en camino y regresó a la casa de su padre.

»Cuando todavía estaba lejos, su padre lo vio y sintió compasión de él. Corrió a su encuentro, y lo recibió con abrazos y besos. <sup>21</sup> El hijo le dijo: "Padre mío, he pecado contra Dios y contra ti; ya no merezco llamarme tu hijo." <sup>22</sup> Pero el padre ordenó a sus criados: "Saquen pronto la mejor ropa y vístanlo; pónganle también un anillo en el dedo y sandalias en los pies. <sup>23</sup> Traigan el becerro más gordo y mátenlo. ¡Vamos a celebrar esto con un banquete! <sup>24</sup> Porque este hijo mío estaba muerto y ha vuelto a vivir; se había perdido y lo hemos encontrado." Comenzaron la fiesta.

<sup>25</sup> »Entre tanto, el hijo mayor estaba en el campo. Cuando regresó y llegó cerca de la casa, oyó la música y el baile. <sup>26</sup> Entonces llamó a uno de los criados y le preguntó qué pasaba. <sup>27</sup> El criado le dijo: "Es que su hermano ha vuelto; y su padre ha mandado matar el becerro más gordo, porque lo recobró sano y salvo." <sup>28</sup> Pero tanto se enojó el hermano mayor, que no quería entrar, así que su padre tuvo que salir a rogarle que lo hiciera. <sup>29</sup> Le dijo a su padre: "Tú sabes cuántos años te he servido, sin desobedecerte nunca, y jamás me has dado ni siquiera un cabrito para tener una comida con mis amigos. <sup>30</sup> En cambio, ahora llega este hijo tuyo, que ha malgastado tu dinero con prostitutas, y matas para él el becerro más gordo."

<sup>31</sup>»El padre le contestó: "Hijo mío, tú siempre estás conmigo, y todo lo que tengo es tuyo. <sup>32</sup> Pero había que celebrar esto con un banquete y alegrarnos, porque tu hermano, que estaba muerto, ha vuelto a vivir; se había perdido y lo hemos encontrado."»

El Evangelio del Señor. **Te alabamos, Cristo Señor.** 

#### THE NICENE CREED

All stand, as able.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father [and the Son], who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.



## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

#### Remain standing, as able.

*Deacon* In Christ our sins are forgiven; we are reconciled with one another and made a new creation. Let us offer our petitions to God in thanksgiving, responding, "Lord, have mercy."

Jesus, you have given us the gift of reconciliation; may we embrace those who have sinned against us, and may we receive the embrace of those who offer us forgiveness for the pain we have caused; for this we pray. Lord, have mercy.

Yahweh, you led your people through the waters of the Red Sea and into the desert of their awakening; lead us through this season of Lent, that we may be awakened to your presence within our life, and prepared for your victory over death; for this we pray. **Lord, have mercy.** 

Spirit of Truth, you reveal your likeness in the faces of the poor, the anxious, the forsaken, and those whom others judge unkindly; help us to touch and be touched by their grace; for this we pray. Lord, have mercy.

Father of all, welcome into the household of faith those who question their worthiness to follow you, and give them the courage and strength to join in the ministry of the prophets, apostles, and all the saints; for this we pray. **Lord, have mercy.** 

Prince of Peace, help the peoples of the nations of the world to respect all cultures, races, and traditions which comprise the human family, and give us mutual trust that will bring peace on earth; for this we pray. Lord, have mercy.

Holy Comforter, be present with those who are ill, embrace those who mourn, and open the gates of paradise to those who have fallen asleep in the faith of Christ; for this we pray. Lord, have mercy.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray this week for Province de L'Eglise Anglicane du Congo.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray this week for St. Clement of Rome, Seattle.

In gratitude for having been found when we were lost, and accepted when we went astray, let us continue our prayers.

The Celebrant may add a concluding Collect.

## THE PEACE

All stand, as able.

CelebrantThe peace of Christ be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND THANKSGIVINGS

### **BIRTHDAY PRAYER**

Watch over your *child/children*, O God, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their heart may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## ANNIVERSARY PRAYER

O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may continue to so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may continue to be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

## THE INVITATION

This is the table, not of the church but of Jesus Christ. It is made ready for those who love Jesus and who want to love him more. Come, you who have much faith and you who have little; you who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time or ever before. Come, you who have tried to follow and you who have failed. Come, not because the Church invites you; it is Christ, and he invites you to meet him here. (From the Iona Community, adapted)

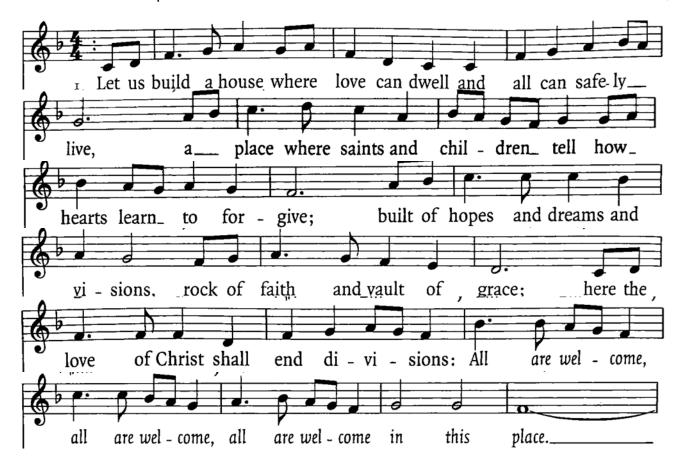
All are invited and encouraged to come forward to receive communion or a blessing. To receive the bread, extend your hands and a piece of bread will be placed in your palm. (Gluten-free bread is available. Just say, "gluten-free".) To receive the wine, help the chalice bearer guide the chalice to your lips and sip. To maintain health and safety, we ask that bread not be dipped into the chalice. To receive a blessing, please cross your arms across your chest, and the priest will bless you.

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM** | Come Now, 'Neath Jesus' Cross

Arr. A. Moller-Holst



OFFERTORY HYMN | All Are Welcome



- Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and true, where all God's children dare to seek to dream God's reign anew. Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's grace; here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:
- Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine and wheat:
  a banquet hall on holy ground, where peace and justice meet.
  Here the love God, through Jesus, is revealed in time and space, as we share in Christ the feast that frees us:
- 4. Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone to heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they've known. Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God's face; let us bring an end to fear and danger:
- 5. Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word.
  Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The People remain standing.CelebrantGod be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.PeopleWe lift them to the Lord.CelebrantLet us give thanks to the Lord our God.PeopleIt is right to give our thanks and praise.CelebrantIt is right, and a good and joyful thing, alward and provide theaven and earth. The state of the state of the state of the state of the state.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



#### **SANCTUS**



#### The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious God: in your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Creator of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:



We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.



### THE LORD'S PRAYER

*The Celebrant continues* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

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

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.

### EL PADRE NUESTRO

#### El Celebrante continúa

Y ahora, como nuestro Salvador Cristo nos ha enseñado, nos atrevemos a decir:

Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo, santificado sea tu Nombre. venga tu reino, hágase tu voluntad, en la tierra como en el cielo.
Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.
Perdona nuestras ofensas, como también nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden.
No nos dejes caer en tentación y líbranos del mal.
Porque tuyo es el reino, tuyo es el poder, y tuya es la gloria, ahora y por siempre. Amén.

#### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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### **INVITATION**

*The Celebrant says* The Gifts of God for the People of God. Holy Food for Holy People.

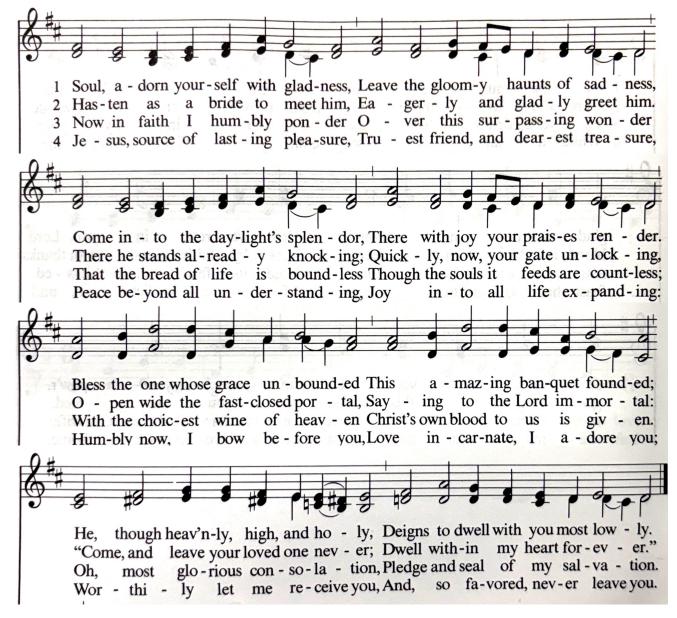
#### **FRACTION ANTHEM**

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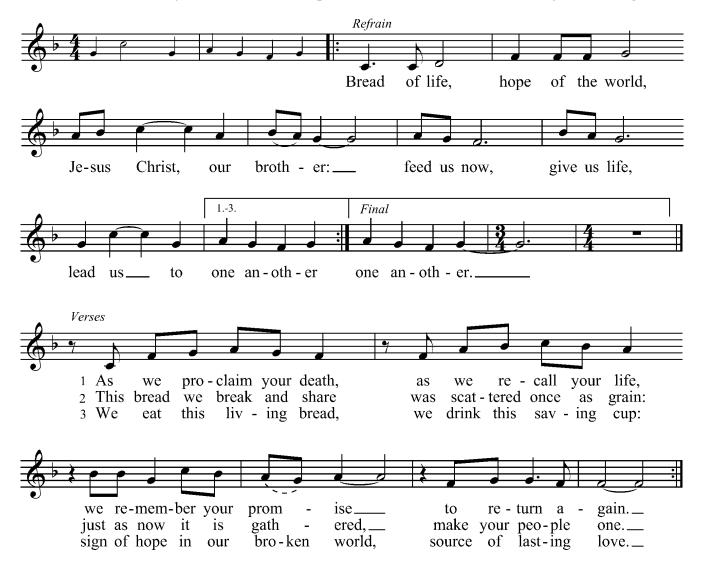
**COMMUNION HYMN** | Come Let Us Eat



#### COMMUNION HYMN | Soul, Adorn Yourself With Gladness Lutheran Book of Worship, No. 224







#### **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

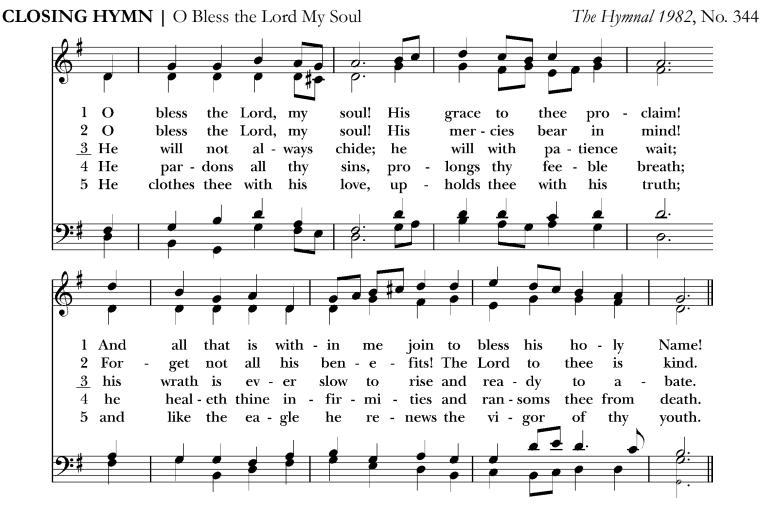
After Communion, the Presider says Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of Christ, and heirs of your eternal kingdom.

And now, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

#### BLESSING

The Priest blesses the people, who respond saying



6 Then bless his holy Name, whose grace hath made thee whole, whose loving-kindness crowns thy days: O bless the Lord, my soul!

#### DISMISSAL

The Deacon dismisses the people, who respond saying

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE | Herr Jesu Christ, dich zu uns wend

G.P. Telemann (1681-1767)





**OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR** • Michelle Hanely-Brown • Scott Schultz • Chace Kenneth • Shirley Towner, Mother of Melissa Minjares, Grandmother of Max Minjares • Beth Rockwell • Christie Guydish • The Family of Lois Williams • The Blundell Family, Jim Catherine, Nattie & Drew • Lou • Joe • Selena •

**WE PRAY FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS SERVING IN THE ARMED SERVICES** • Quinn Herner and the Wyoming 2-300<sup>th</sup> deployed Army Guard • Ruby Edwards • Christopher Hagen • Brett Johnson • Jon Kidder • Simon Kidder • Jessie Leonard • Lissy Slezak • Richie Raini

**LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT** • St. John | San Juan honors and acknowledges the indigenous peoples who have stewarded this land since time immemorial and who still inhabit the area today, the Steh-Chass Band of the Squaxin Island Tribe.

WORSHIP LEADERS • The Rev. Dr. Janet Waggoner Presider • The Rev. Jaime Case Associate Priest • The Rev. Terri Lolcama (10:30) Deacon • Laird Will (8:00) Nicki Weekes (10:30) Eucharistic Ministers • Kathryn Ness (8:00) Sam Magill, Andrew Bird (10:30) Lectors • Tim Tayne Audio/Visual Tech • Kathryn Ness, Elizabeth Phillips, Nicki Weekes Altar Guild • Fawn Hacker, Janet Cherry Ushers

The Rev. Dr. Janet Waggoner, Rector The Rev. Jaime Case, Associate Priest The Rev. Gen Grewell, Deacon The Rev. Terri Lolcama, Deacon Steve O'Connor, Director of Music Anna Okrasinski-Maddox, Parish Administrator Jonathen Brown, Sexton

## WORSHIP TODAY

• GODLY PLAY, our Christian formation program for children, begins during the procession. All children are invited to follow the small cross to the GODLY PLAY atrium (streamlined version for our pilgrimage) to encounter today's Bible story and then engage in that story (or other Bible stories) through art, play, etc. The GODLY PLAY atrium is down the long hall at the left end of the Lutheran entry hall, past the sanctuary and the restrooms. GODLY PLAY participants rejoin the worship service during the Peace and announcements so that we can all take Communion together.

 $\cdot$  Regular tithes and offerings are collected in the brown wooden offering baskets. The woven baskets collect funds dedicated for outreach.

 $\cdot$  Special blessings for birthdays, anniversaries and other important occasions in your life and in the life of your family are observed with prayers after the peace. And blessings are always FREE! At St. John | San Juan, it has long been customary to give a thanksgiving offering for personal celebrations, and you are welcome to observe this custom if you wish. All offerings go to support the ministries we do together here at St. John | San Juan.

• For parents who would like to take a break from parenting during the 10:30 a.m. worship service, we have certified nursery workers who tend babies and young children. They're in the nursery down the long hall at the left end Lutheran entry hall, past the sanctuary and the restrooms. The nursery is the room with the half door on the right.

## ADULT FORUM TODAY

Today, as we turn the corner into the home stretch of our Lenten pilgrimage, we begin the process of reflecting on how pilgrimage changes us. Our guest presenter for our adult forum is Kindra Galán, Operations Manager at Cielo. Kindra will offer information about the work of Cielo and share stories of the migrant and immigrant individuals and families they serve. Please join us in Room 160 at Good Shepherd for this important conversation.

## CHAT DEDICATED TO INGRID LLANOS

The pastoral care team will host CHAT on today, in honor of Ingrid Llanos. Ingrid passed away March 2nd following a series of strokes. Her devoted husband (55 years!) and caretaker Zenon will join us. An intrepid prayer shawl warrior, Ingrid had a ministry of praying while knitting the shawls, having the shawls blessed by clergy, and distributing prayer shawls literally all over the world. Through the pandemic Ingrid kept us supplied with prayer shawls. She continued knitting after her first and second strokes. We have a bin of new prayer shawls from Ingrid, which will be blessed at CHAT. Many of our members have prayer shawls knit by Ingrid; please wear your prayer shawls in tribute to her.

## HELP WANTED: GODLY PLAY

Godly Play is a hit with our children and their families. Caitlin Bird and Ross Hussman have been leading this ministry since the Fall. *Without some additional teachers, Godly Play cannot continue. Please consider that God might be calling YOU to the role of storyteller or doorkeeper. Local training provided. For more information and training, please contact Caitlin Bird at caitlin@stjohnsoly.org* 

## MONDAY MORNING COFFEE HOUR WITH LCGS

**(Ongoing) 10:00-11:00** St. John | San Juan members are invited to partake in coffee, donuts, and conversation in Crary Hall at Good Shepherd. Alison Robbins coordinates these lively conversations & fellowship; please contact her with questions: <u>alandreec@comcast.net</u>

## WEDNESDAY LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS AND EVENING WORSHIP WITH LCGS Wednesdays in Lent – March 12, March 19, March 26, April 2, and April 9

Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd – 1601 North Street SE

5:15 pm Soup Supper — A simple meal of soup and bread in Crary Hall. Free and open to all.

**6:15 pm Lenten Evening Prayer** — The evening prayer liturgy is *Bless This Night*, created by the Holden Village community in 2023. Each service will also include a time of prayer around the cross, in the style of Holden Village.

## **CENTERING PRAYER BOOK GROUP**

The centering prayer book group meets the first Thursday of each month from 10am-12n in the guild room. On Thursday April 3rd, we will be discussing chapter 9 "Ahimsa" and chapter 10 "Concentric Circles" from Karen Armstrong's book Sacred Nature: Restoring Our Ancient Bond with the Natural World. Join us!

## LAST CALL: FIRST COMMUNION / COMMUNION RENEWAL

On Sunday, April 6 at the 10:30 am service, we will celebrate First Communion with one of our youngest members. For anyone of any age who is not taking communion but would like to begin or resume participation in this sacrament, Rev. Janet is offering individualized pastoral conversation and/or instruction. Please contact Rev. Janet at janet@stjohnsoly.org for more information and/or for an appointment.

## DEATH CARE OPTIONS

Holy Wisdom Inclusive Catholic Community is hosting two seminars on Death Care options by Funeral Director Chris Ronk. Ronk's presentation on both dates will be similar, but the seminar is being offered twice so that folks have time to consider the information Ronk is presenting and to ask questions. The seminar is being offered **today**, from 2:00-3:30pm and Sunday, April 27th - 2:00-3:30pm. To register, please contact Chris at <u>chris@funerals.coop</u>

# HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Mark your calendars now for our Holy Week Services! (And don't forget to donate for Easter flowers). **PALM SUNDAY** – April 13 – 8:00 am / 10:30 am in English // 6:00 pm in Spanish – all services at St. John | San Juan

**WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK** – April 16 – 7:00 am – Chapel at St. John | San Juan and on Zoom

**MAUNDY THURSDAY** – April 17 – 7:00 pm – Sanctuary at St. John | San Juan – This joint service with Good Shepherd is fully bi-lingual and includes footwashing, Holy Communion, and the stripping of the altar. The service ends in silence. At 6:30 pm (prior to the service), a time of fellowship with coffee, fruit and cookies is offered in the Parish Hall.

**NIGHT WATCH** – April 17-18 – 8:00 pm – 8:00 am – Zoom of Chapel at St. John | San Juan – All are welcome to keep watch with Jesus in the Garden, as he anticipated his death on the Cross. The Zoom link will be posted next week in the Messenger and bulletin.

**GOOD FRIDAY** – April 18 – 7:00 pm – Sanctuary at Good Shepherd Lutheran (1601 North Street SE) – This joint service with Good Shepherd focuses on the seven last words of Jesus. The service ends in silence. At 6:30 pm (prior to the service), a time of fellowship with coffee, fruit and cookies is offered in Crary Hall.

**EASTER VIGIL** – Saturday, April 19 – 7:00 pm – Sanctuary at St. John | San Juan – This service features the beautiful liturgy that sings the light of Christ back from the grave, tells the story of salvation history, and celebrates Christ's victory over death. In word, music and communion, we come together as Christ's own, beloved and renewed.

(Holy Week services continued on next page.)

## HOLY WEEK SERVICES, Cont.

### EASTER SUNDAY – April 20

8:00 am – Eucharist with Music and Renewal of Baptismal Vows – followed by celebratory coffee hour 10:30 am – Eucharist with Music, Baptism, and Renewal of Baptismal Vows – followed by potluck Easter feast and Easter egg hunt

6:00 pm – La Misa con Musica y Renovación de Votos Bautismales – seguido de la fiesta de Pascua (Eucharist with music and renewal of baptismal vows – followed by an Easter feast)

### EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS

The St. John | San Juan Altar Guild decorates the Sanctuary during Christmas and Easter services with beautiful flowers. The Altar Guild's yearly budget depends on Christmas Poinsettias and Easter flowers donations.

You can contribute money for Easter flowers and help fund the Altar Guild, by giving a donation in memory of loved ones or in thanksgiving for a blessing in your life.

Donation envelopes will be available at each Sunday service through Palm Sunday. Put your donation (cash or check) in the envelope and put it in the offertory plate or mail to the church office.

\*Your name and your thanksgiving or memory of loved ones will be in the Easter bulletins. Please make sure your name (the giver) is on the envelope. The processing of money can separate the envelopes from checks, so all information needed should be on the envelope or form.\*

WRITING A CHECK:

Make check out to St. John | San Juan Episcopal Church Put **Easter Flowers** on Memo line.

## MAILING ENVELOPES TO CHURCH:

St. John | San Juan Episcopal Church PO Box 977 Olympia, WA 98507

## EASTER DONATIONS CAN ALSO BE MADE ONLINE!

You will be able to add your thanksgivings and memory of loved ones when you donate online. Please scan the QR code or click on the Easter Flowers button on the home page of our website, stjohnsoly.org.



Deadline to return envelopes or for online donations: Sunday, April 13th

# LENTEN PILGRIMAGE SCHEDULE

#### LENTEN SWAP SUNDAYS

Each congregation will worship at their usual Sunday worship time, in the other church's sanctuary.

March 9, 16, 23, 30

April 6

### JOINT WORSHIP (ALL ARE WELCOME!) Both congregations together, either at SJSJ or LCGS.

Sunday, March 2 at 10:30 am: Transfiguration Sunday at St. John | San Juan

Thursday, April 17 at 7:00 pm: Maundy Thursday at St. John | San Juan

Friday, April 18 at 7:00 pm: Good Friday at Good Shepherd

Sunday, April 27 at 10:00 am: Second Sunday of Easter at Good Shepherd

#### **Office Hours**

Tuesday through Friday 10:00am to 2:00pm 360-352-8527

#### Sunday – March 30

9:30 am Forum 6:00 pm Spanish Service Monday – March 31 6:00 pm Capital City AA (Parish Hall) <u>Tuesday – April 1</u> 1:00 pm Executive Committee of the Vestry (Online) 6:00 pm Nar-Anon Meeting (Guild Room) 6:30 pm Brotherhood of St. Andrew (Library) Wednesday – April 2 7:00 am Eucharistic Service Join Zoom Meeting https://zoom.us/j/96777259503 Meeting ID: 967 7725 9503 4:00 pm Guided Conversations 6:00 pm Buddhist Meditation Group (Library) 6:30 Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary) <u>Thurs. – April 3</u> 10:00 am Centering Prayer Book Study (Guild Room) 12:00 pm Centering Prayer (Guild Room) 6:00 pm Capital City AA (Parish Hall) 6:00 pm Al-Anon (Guild Room) Friday – April 4 6:00 pm AA 12 Step Study Group (Guild Room) Saturday – April 5

9:00 am Saturday Men's Group (Chapel)

Please note that voice mail messages left on the church office telephone after 2:00 pm will not be picked up until the following day at 10:00 am. Messages left on Friday after 2:00 pm will not be picked up until 10:00 am on Tuesday.

For pastoral emergencies, please contact the Rev. Janet by text or phone at 360-358-2041 or the Rev. Jaime Case by text or phone at 360-606-4285.

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