

8:30 Service, March 20, 2022 - Third Sunday in Lent

THE HOLY SPIRIT CALLS US TOGETHER AS THE PEOPLE OF GOD

Prelude *My Heart is Ever Yearning* by Johannes Brahms

Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

P: We worship in the name of the Father, and the Son +, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

P: If we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. Let us confess our sin to God who is faithful and just and who has promised to forgive our sin and give us new hearts.

P: Most merciful God,

C: have mercy on us. We confess that we fail to live for your Word. We turn away from you and towards the influencers of our world that would have us place our trust in them. We fall into temptation and seek to self-justify our thoughts and actions. We do not see clearly the need of our neighbors. When we seek need our actions or inactive often contribute to their pain rather than free them from suffering. We do not want to rely on you. In your compassion forgive our sin and uphold us by your Holy Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. By the authority of Christ, I declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the Father, + Son and Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

KYRIE

WL: In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy, Lord have mercy.

*WL: For the reign of God and for peace throughout the world,
for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.*

C: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

*WL: For your people here who have come to give you praise,
for the strength to live your word, let us pray to the Lord.*

C: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

WL: Help, save, and defend us, O God.

C: Amen.

Prayer of the Day

WL: Let us Pray,

C: Eternal God, your kingdom has broken into our troubled world through the life, death, and resurrection of your Son. Help us to hear your word and obey it, and bring your saving love to fruition in our lives, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN SCRIPTURE, PREACHING AND SONG

FIRST READING **Isaiah 55: 1-9**

SECOND READING **1 Corinthians 10: 1-13**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ***Return To God***

**Return to God with
all your heart, the Source
of grace and mercy;
Come seek the tender faithfulness of God.
(Repeat)**

GOSPEL **Luke 13: 1-9**

After the Reading: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY **Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer (ELW #618)**

1 **Guide me ever, great Redeemer,
pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak, but you are mighty;
hold me with your pow'ful hand.
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,
feed me now and evermore,
feed me now and evermore.**

2 **Open now the crystal fountain
where the healing waters flow;
let the fire and cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through.
Strong deliv'rer, strong deliv'rer,
shield me with your mighty arm,
shield me with your mighty arm.**

3 **When I tread the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside;**

death of death and hell's destruction,
land me safe on Canaan's side.
Songs and praises, songs and praises,
I will raise forevermore,
I will raise forevermore.

APOSTLE'S CREED

WL: Let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed:

C: 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 into hell.

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.

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

THE PRAYERS *WL: Lord in your mercy,*
C: Hear our prayer.

SHARING A SIGN OF CHRIST'S PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always!
C: And also with you!

GOD FEEDS US WITH THE PRESENCE OF JESUS CHRIST

OFFERING Ministry Team Update – Church In Society

OFFERATORY *Surely the Presence of the Lord is in This Place* by CLC Choir

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Merciful God,

C: as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, ho let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

SANCTUS

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION HYMNS

Lamb of God

Lamb of God,
you take away the sin
of the world:
have mercy on us,
mercy on us,
mercy on us.

Lamb of God,
you break the chains of hatred and fear:
have mercy on us,
mercy on us,
mercy on us.

Lamb of God,
you are the way of justice and peace:
have mercy on us,
mercy on us,
mercy on us.

Lamb of God,
you are the way of mercy and love:
have mercy on us,
mercy on us,
mercy on us.

Lamb of God,
you take away the sin
of the world:
grant us peace,
grant us peace,
grant us peace.

O Living Bread from Heaven (ELW #542)

1 O living Bread from heaven,
how well you feed your guest!
The gifts that you have given
have filled my heart with rest.
O wondrous food of blessing!
O cup that heals our woes!
My heart, this gift possessing,
in thankful song o'er flows.

2 My Savior, you have led me
within your holiest place,
and here yourself have fed me
with treasures of your grace;
for you have freely given
what earth could never buy,

the bread of life from heaven,
that now I shall not die.

3 You gave me all I wanted;
this food can death destroy.
And you have freely granted
the cup of endless joy.
My Lord, I do not merit
the favor you have shown;
and all my soul and spirit
bow down before your throne.

4 Oh, grant me then, well-strengthened
with heav'nly food, while here
my course on earth is lengthened,
to serve you, free from fear;
and bring me home to praise you
where none can peace destroy,
where I will ever raise you
glad songs in endless joy.

COMMUNION BLESSING

COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Let us pray.

C: O God, we thank you for gathering and feeding us as a mother hen embraces her young. Release us now to go on our way in these forty days, ready to see our work as prayer, ready to fast from complacency, and ready to share with those in need; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GOD BLESSES US AND SENDS US IN MISSION TO THE WORLD

BLESSING

P: The Lord Bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you God's peace. Amen.

CLOSING SONG

Jesus is a Rock in a Weary Land (ELW #333)

Refrain

Jesus is a rock in a weary land,
a weary land, a weary land;
my Jesus is a rock in a weary land,
a shelter in a time of storm.

1 No one can do like Jesus,
not a mumbling word he said;
he went walking down to Lazarus' grave,
and he raised him from the dead. *Refrain*

2 When Jesus was on earth,
the flesh was very weak;

he took a towel and girded himself
and he washed his disciples' feet. *Refrain*

3 Yonder comes my Savior,
him whom I love so well;
he has the palm of victory
and the keys of death and hell. *Refrain*

SENDING

P: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

C: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE *How Lovely Are Thy Dwellings* by Brahms (from the German Requiem)

Music by Nancy Betz

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