

Welcome

5th Sunday in Lent

April 3, 2022

10:30 a.m. Worship & Holy Communion

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KYRIE (Mark 10:47)



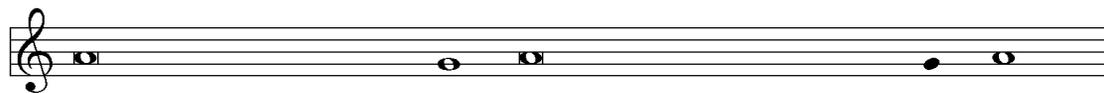
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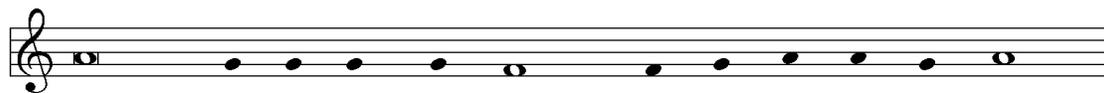
A For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



G Lord, have mer - cy.



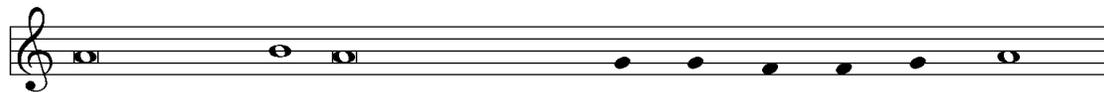
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



G Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **G** Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord. **G** A - men

HYMN OF PRAISE (Luke 2:14; John 1:29; Revelation 5:12-13; 19:5-9) is omitted during Lent.

SALUTATION (2 Timothy 4:22)

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. Almighty God, look favorably upon your family. Graciously rule our bodies lest we are enticed to love the world, and guard our spirits lest we fail to recognize your love. Grant this, we pray, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen**

Please be seated.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

We read scripture from the Old Testament, Apostolic Letters and the Gospels because faith comes from hearing. (Romans 10:17)

FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 43:16-21

¹⁶Thus says the Lord, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, ¹⁷who brings forth chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: ¹⁸“Remember not the former things, nor consider the things of old. ¹⁹Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. ²⁰The wild beasts will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches, for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, ²¹the people whom I formed for myself that they might declare my praise.”

Lay Reader Here ends the reading.

PSALM 126 *read responsively*

¹When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion,*
then were we like those who dream.

²**Then was our mouth filled with laughter,
and our tongue with shouts of joy.**

³Then they said among the nations,
“The Lord has done great things for them.”

⁴**The Lord has done great things for us,
and we are | glad indeed.**

⁵Restore our fortunes, O Lord,
like the watercourses of the Negev.

⁶**Those who sowed with tears*
will reap with songs of joy.**

⁷Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed,
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

SECOND LESSON: Philippians 3:8-14

⁸Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith — ¹⁰that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead. ¹²Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

Lay Reader Here ends the reading.

Please stand as you are able.

LENTEN RESPONSE (Joel 2:13)



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra-cious and mer-ci-ful,
slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 12th chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL: John 12:1-8

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. ²There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. ³Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. ⁴But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, ⁵“Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?” ⁶(He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) ⁷Jesus said, “Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. ⁸You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.
C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated. Join us every Sunday during Lent as Jesus has us find perspective in life.

Perspective #1 Probation (Wilderness, Fasting & Testing) Luke 4:1-13

Perspective #2 Persecution (Herod & Jerusalem Pursue the Prophet) Luke 13:31-35

Perspective #3 Penitence (The Pursuit of Repentance: Pilate, Pillars, & Figs) Luke 13:1-9

Perspective #4 Prodigious (Welcome & Dine with Sinners) Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

SERMON Perspective #5—Perfume Pastor Heidi Punt

Please stand as you are able.

HYMN Christ, the Life of All the Living LBW# 97

NICENE CREED (Romans 10:9-10)

C **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; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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

**Or, We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.*

THE PRAYERS (1 Timothy 2:1-4)

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

After each portion of the prayers:

P Lord, in your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**

The prayers conclude:

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen**

THE PEACE (John 20:19)

In an attempt to be vigilant and responsible, please use Hand Sanitizers provided at each entrance.

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

Please be seated.

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS (Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19)

The Offering is received as the Lord's Table is prepared. All loose offering will go towards the Social Ministry Fund. During the month of April, the Benevolence Teaching Moment is on the NALC Disaster Response Fund. Please prayerfully consider giving to the Benevolence Fund.

ANTHEM

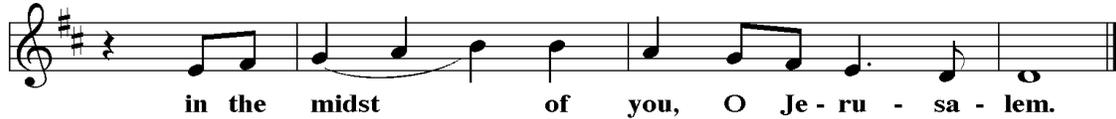
Chancel Choir

We Had a Share (Sleeth)

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LENTEN OFFERTORY





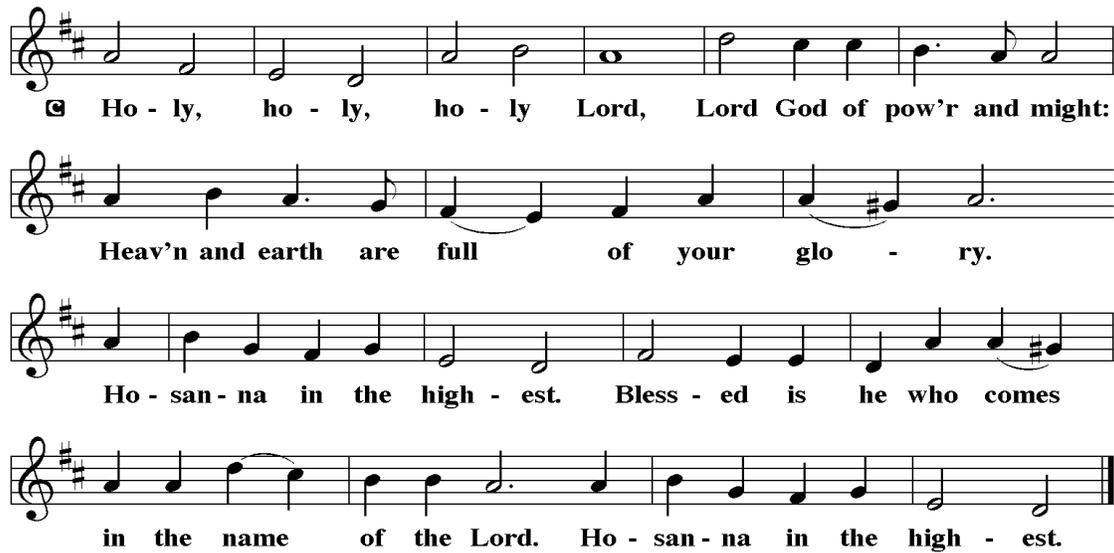
OFFERTORY PRAYER

P Let us pray. Merciful Father,
C **we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us--our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

GREAT THANKSGIVING (2 Timothy 4:22)

P The Lord be with you.
C **And also with you.**
P Lift up your hearts.
C **We lift them to the Lord.**
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**
P It is indeed right and salutary . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS (Isaiah 6:3 and Matthew 21:9)



WORDS OF INSTITUTION (Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26)

P In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Matthew 6:9-13)

C **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, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen**

Please be seated.

COMMUNION (Mark 14:23)

As the minister gives the bread and wine, and says these words to each communicant:

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

The communicant may say: Amen

At Union Lutheran Church the Sacrament of Holy Communion is celebrated each Sunday. All baptized Christians who believe in the real presence of Christ in the Lord's Supper are invited to commune. All who do not commune are invited to come forward to receive a blessing. Please follow the directions of the Ushers. For those who prefer individually sealed units please indicate. Gluten wafers and grape juice are also available upon request.

AGNUS DEI (John 1:29)



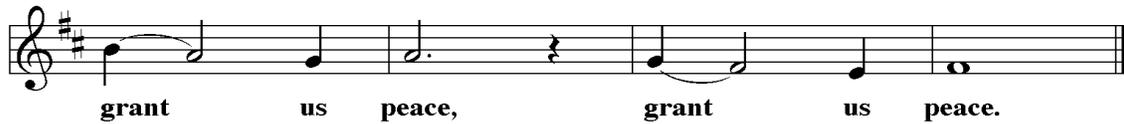
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



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COMMUNION HYMN When I Survey the Wondrous Cross LBW# 482

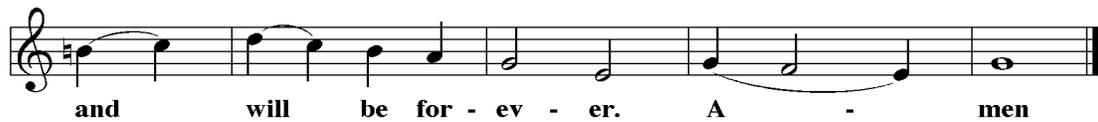
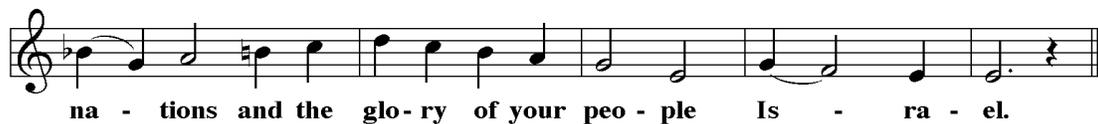
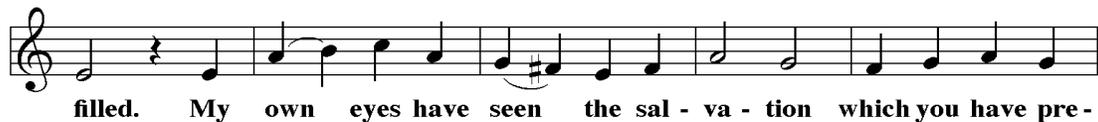
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After all have returned to their places, the minister may say these or similar words.

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen

POST COMMUNION LENTEN CANTICLE (Luke 2:29-32)



PRAYER

The following or a similar post-communion prayer is said.

P Let us pray. Almighty God, you gave your Son both as a sacrifice for sin and a model of the godly life. Enable us to receive him always with thanksgiving, and to conform our lives to his; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen**

BENEDICTION (Numbers 6:22-27)

The minister blesses the congregation, using this or another appropriate blessing.

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C **Amen**

CLOSING HYMN Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed LBW# 98

THE SENDING (Matthew 28:19)

The minister may dismiss the congregation.

P You have been nurtured in Word and Sacrament now go therefore and make disciples of all nations

C **Baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son and of the Holy Spirit.**

P Union Lutheran Church you are sent!

C **Amen, amen, amen**

POSTLUDE Ah, Holy Jesus Ferguson

Next Week's Readings (April 10, Palm Sunday):
Deuteronomy 32:36-39; Philippians 2:5-11; Luke 19:28-44

THOSE SERVING IN APRIL

Acolytes: Abbey and Morgan Deaton, Micah and Samuel Nguyen

Altar Guild: Jennifer and Scott Curlee, and Cathy Painter

Communion Assistants: Jennifer and Scott Curlee, and Cathy Painter

Lay Readers: Jennifer and Scott Curlee, and Cathy Painter

Ushers: Phil and Linda Cauble, Mike and Brenda Cauble, and Frank and Dawn Merrell

Offering Counters: Jennifer Curlee, Doris Shepherd, and Wayne Vellines



“A SIMPLE EXPLANATION OF THE CHURCH SERVICE”

Welcome to church! As you participate in the church service, we will be providing you with weekly nuggets to help you understand more of what is happening, why it is happening, and some of the special language used in church.

NUGGET #24: AGNUS DEI (...Latin for :”Lamb of God”)

Standing in the presence of Christ, we sing to Him in the great Communion hymn the **Agnus Dei**. Like John the Baptist, we acknowledge Jesus as the **Lamb of God**.

“Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!” John 1:29

(“A Simple Explanation of the Church Service”, page 24, Concordia Publishing House, 2018)

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OUR VISION: *One Relationship at a Time*

OUR ACTION: *Building Relationships — with God & our Neighbor*

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