

Holy Communion FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT SUNDAY, MARCH 6, 2022

PRELUDE Kyrie, Gott Vater in Ewigkeit (BWV 669) | J.S. Bach

GATHERING

Please turn and face the baptismal font at the rear of the nave. **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Cleanse me from sin, O Lord, wash me with hyssop branches; cleanse me from guilt, and I shall be clean as the new snow.

Have mercy on me, O my God, according to your great compassion.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Let us comfess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life.

Amen.

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Please turn and face the cross as the procession approaches the altar. **#238 GREAT LITANY**

APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

And also with you.

Welcome!

Please silence your cell phone in the nave.

LIVESTREAM BROADCAST

The 10:30 service is livestreamed on our website at www.luthermem. org and YouTube. Cameras are installed in the nave, and worshipers may occasionally be visible on this broadcast.

PARKING

Free parking is available Sundays in the Grainger Hall parking ramp, one block east of the church, off Brooks Street. For closer access, parking is reserved in the garage under the church off Conklin Place alley.

RESOURCES

T-coil audio is available in the nave. Ushers can provide hearing assistance and a wheelchair, if needed. Prayer shawls are available in the narthex.

CHILDCARE

Infants and children are welcome in worship. Changing tables are located in the restrooms. A staffed nursery is available Sundays 9:15–noon.

HOLY COMMUNION

All baptized Christians are encouraged to receive Holy Communion. Please ask a pastor for a gluten-free communion wafer, if needed.

RECYCLE

Please recycle your bulletin in the basket in the narthex after the early service, or in the blue recycle bin after the 10:30 service.

LEARN MORE

If you would like a pastor to call, or want to learn more:

- Please fill out a pew card and place in the offering plate
- Visit us online at www. luthermem.org or Facebook

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O Lord God, you led your people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide us now, so that, following your Son, we may walk faithfully through the wilderness of this world toward the life you give, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

WORD

Please sit.

FIRST READING Deuteronomy 26:1–11

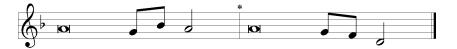
When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me." You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 91:1-2, 9-16

8:00 | *The cantor and congregation alternate in the singing of the psalm verses, beginning with the cantor.*

10:30 | *The choir sings the antiphon*, "God will give the angels charge over you, to guard you in all your ways," before and after the psalm. The choir and congregation alternate in the singing of the psalm verses, beginning with the choir.



You who dwell in the shelter of | the Most High,* who abide in the shadow of | the Almighty you will say to the Lord, "My refuge | and my stronghold,* my God in whom I | put my trust." Because you have made the | Lord your refuge,* and the Most High your | habitation, no evil | will befall you,* nor shall affliction come | near your dwelling. For God will give the angels charge | over you,* to guard you in | all your ways.

Upon their hands they will | bear you up,*

lest you strike your foot a- | gainst a stone.

You will tread upon the lion | cub and viper;*

you will trample down the lion | and the serpent.

I will deliver those who | cling to me;*

I will uphold them, because they | know my name.

They will call me, and I will | answer them;*

I will be with them in trouble; I will rescue and | honor them.

With long life will I | satisfy them,*

and show them | my salvation.

SECOND READING Romans 10:8b–13

"The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

I nanks be to God.

Please stand. GOSPEL ACCLAMATION 8:00 | Acclamation sung by all Glo - ry and praise to you, O Lord Je - sus Christ.

10:30 | Acclamation sung by all

Choir: One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God. *All repeat acclamation.*

GOSPEL Luke 4:1–13

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone."

Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him." Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone."

Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test." When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

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

Please sit. **SERMON**

Please stand.#624 HYMN OF THE DAY Jesus, Still Lead On

APOSTLES' CREED 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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

... Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.** *Please greet your neighbor:* **Peace be with you.**

MEAL

Please sit. **OFFERING**

10:30 | MUSIC AT THE OFFERING As Pants the Hart | Joel Martinson

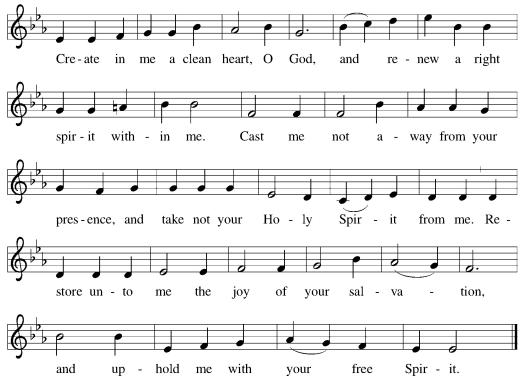
As pants the hart for cooling streams when heated in the chase, So longs my soul, O God, for you And your refreshing grace. For you, my God, the living God, My thirsty spirit pines; Oh, when shall I behold your face, O Majesty divine?

One trouble calls another on And gathers overhead, Falls splashing down, till round my soul A rising sea is spread.

Why restless, why case down, my soul? Hope still, and you shall sing The praise of him who is your God, Your health's eternal spring.

For now I trust in God for strength, I trust him to employ His love for me and change my sighs To thankful hymns of joy.



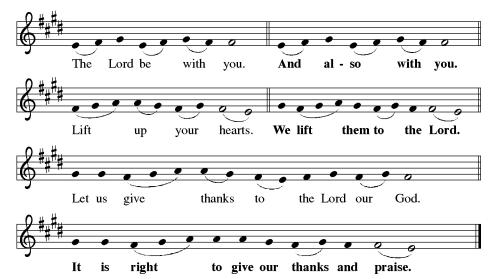


OFFERTORY PRAYER

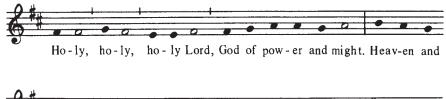
Let us pray.

God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING



HOLY, HOLY, HOLY





earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est. Bless-ed is



he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

You are indeed holy... until he comes.

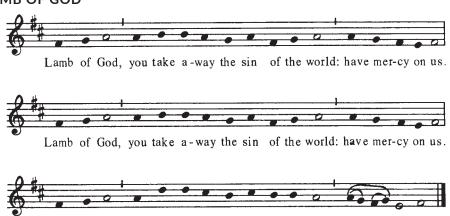


Remembering, therefore... now and forever.





Please sit. LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: grant ____ us peace.

THE COMMUNION

All baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Holy Communion. We receive the Body of Christ (bread*) in our open hands. Christ is fully present in both bread and cup; persons unable to drink wine are encouraged to abstain from the cup and receive Christ in the bread. The Blood of Christ (wine) may be received in any of three ways: by drinking from the first chalice, by dipping the bread (intinction) into the chalice, or by drinking from an individual glass poured from a second chalice. Persons unable to drink wine are encouraged to abstain from the cup and receive Christ in the bread. *Gluten-free bread is available on request.

#326 COMMUNION HYMN Bless Now, O God, the Journey

Please stand.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

Please turn and face the cross as the procession approaches the font.#319 RECESSIONAL HYMN O Lord, throughout These Forty Days

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE Toccata in d minor (BuxWV 155) | Dietrich Buxtehude

TODAY FROM THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

[Last Sunday] the church sang the last Alleluia and Lent began. From time immemorial the Alleluia has been omitted from the services of the Church during the season dedicated to the remembrance of the Passion of our Lord. The last Alleluia dies away in the chapel and cathedral, and while the echo still lingers among the rafters, the violet paraments of sorrow are placed upon the altar. It will be Easter morning before the Alleluia is heard again. There is wisdom in this. It is another and profound difference between the Church and the world. The world never willingly abandons joy. Worldly people hang on to happiness with all the gusto they have-until, inevitably, it is taken away from them. They want to forget that the line of life must sometimes go down into the darkness of sorrow. It is never easy, but it is a great deal better to go down willingly than to be driven down like a slave... To give up joy by the strength of Him who gave up heaven is a part of the way by which joy and heaven will return. Easter can come only to the heart that has known Lent.

O. P. Kretzmann (1901–1975)

SERVING TODAY

	8:00 am	10:30 am
PRESIDER	Pastor Brad Pohlman	Pastor Brad Pohlman
PREACHER	Pastor John Worzala Dumke	Pastor John Worzala Dumke
ORGANIST	Andrew Schaeffer	Andrew Schaeffer
ASSISTING MINISTER	Peggy Baldwin	Carl Anderson
COMMUNION ASSISTANTS	Barb Luedke	Lynn Washington, Jane Hall
LECTOR	Sandy Bertics	
CRUCIFER	Sandy Bertics	
SACRISTAN	Peggy Baldwin	Mary Powell
HEAD USHER	Sue Bangert	Robert & Marsha Steffen
VIDEO DIRECTOR		Lee Powell
SOUND OPERATOR		Alex Starr & Nicole Lane

Today's communion setting is from New Plainsong by David Hurd (born 1950), American composer, concert organist, choral director and educator.

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