



Luther Memorial Church

Holy Communion

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT
SUNDAY, MARCH 27, 2022

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

PRELUDE Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound | George Shearing

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 confess 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.

The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins.

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Please turn and face the cross as the procession approaches the altar.



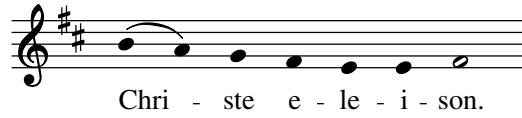
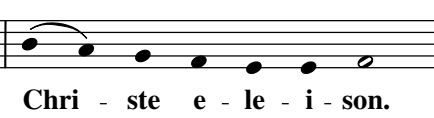
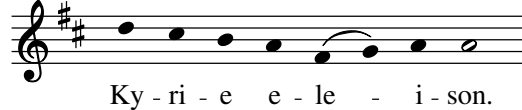
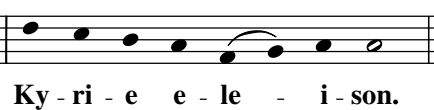
#338 PROCESSIONAL HYMN Beneath the Cross of Jesus

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.

KYRIE

<i>Cantor/Choir</i>	<i>Congregation</i>
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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

God of compassion, you welcome the wayward and raise the dead. Embrace us all within the baptism of your grace, and feed us at the table of your reconciling love, 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 *Joshua 5:9-12*

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.

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. On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. 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.

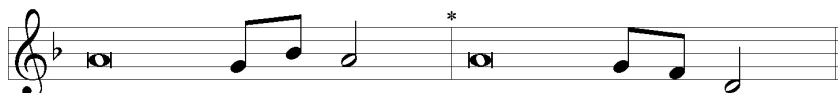
The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 32

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, “Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord” before and after the psalm. The choir and congregation alternate in the singing of the psalm verses, beginning with the choir.*



Happy are they whose transgressions | are forgiven,*
and whose sin is | put away!

**Happy are they to whom the Lord im- | putes no guilt,*
and in whose spirit there | is no guile!**

While I held my tongue, my bones with- | ered away,*
because of my groaning | all day long.

**For your hand was heavy upon me | day and night;*
my moisture was dried up as in the | heat of summer.**

Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not con- | ceal my guilt.*

I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord." Then you forgave me the guilt | of my sin.
**Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in | time of trouble;*
when the great waters overflow, they | shall not reach them.**

You are my hiding-place; you preserve | me from trouble;*
you surround me with shouts | of deliverance.

**"I will instruct you and teach you in the way that | you should go;*
I will guide you | with my eye.**

Do not be like horse or mule, which have no | understanding;*
who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will | not stay near you."

**Great are the tribulations | of the wicked;*
but mercy embraces those who trust | in the Lord.**

Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice | in the Lord;*
shout for joy, all who are | true of heart.

SECOND READING *2 Corinthians 5:16-21*

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 know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; 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. 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. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

8:00 | *Acclamation sung by all*



10:30 | *Acclamation sung by all*

Choir: I will arise and go to my father and say, I have sinned against heaven and before you.

All repeat acclamation.

GOSPEL *Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32*

Glory to you, O Lord.

Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, “This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.”

So he told them this parable: “There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.’ So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, “Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands.”’ 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. 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.’ 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. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!’ And they began to celebrate.

Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, ‘Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.’ Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. 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. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!’ Then the father said to him, ‘Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. 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.’”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit.

SERMON

Please stand.

#666 HYMN OF THE DAY What Wondrous Love Is This

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

MUSIC AT THE OFFERING

8:00 | O Mensch, bewein' dein' Sünde gross | Marcel Dupré

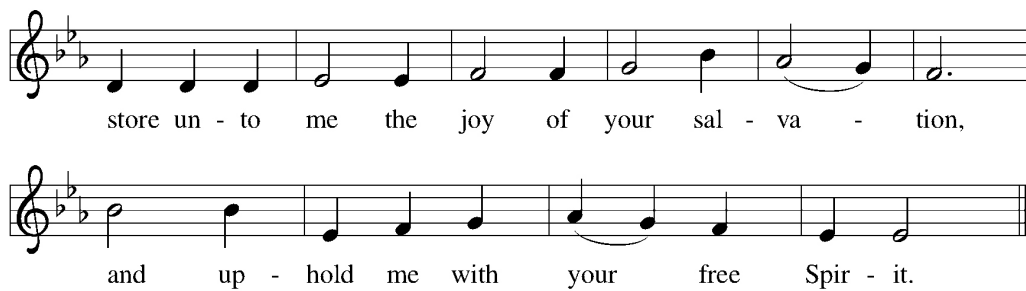
10:30 | Thou knowest, Lord, the Secrets of our Hearts | Henry Purcell

*Thou knowest, Lord, the secrets of our hearts;
 Shut not thy merciful ears unto our pray'rs;
 But spare us, Lord most holy, O God most mighty.
 O holy and most merciful Saviour,
 Thou most worthy Judge eternal,
 Suffer us not at our last hour,
 For any pains of death to fall away from Thee.*

Please stand.

OFFERTORY Create in Me a Clean Heart

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
 spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your
 pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -



store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,
and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

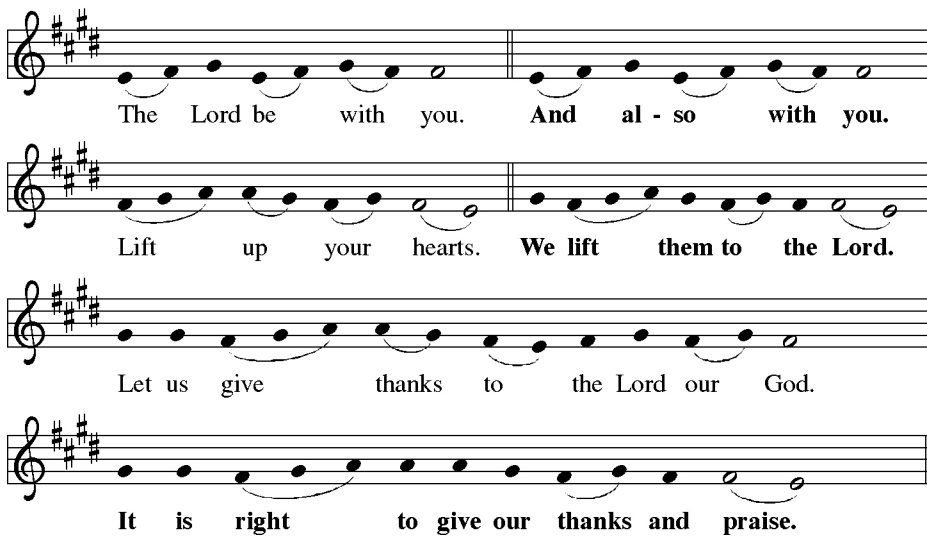
OFFERTORY PRAYER

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.

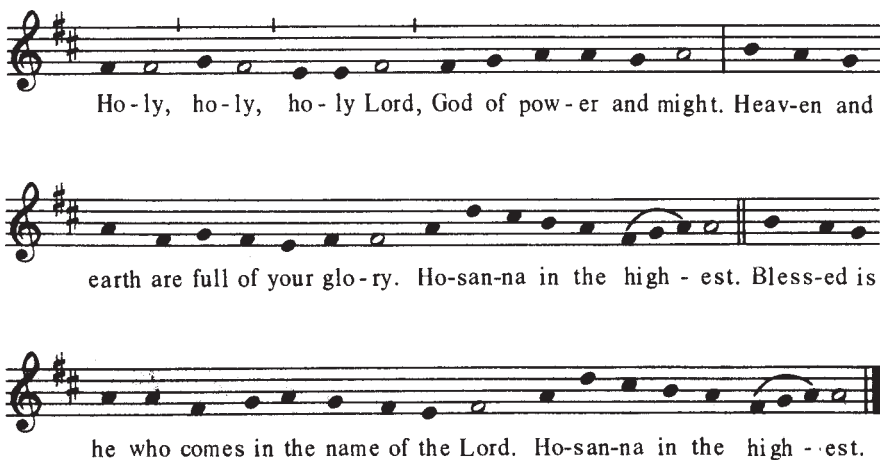
Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



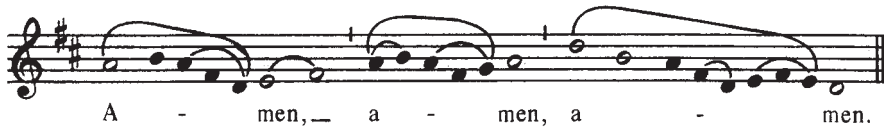
Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow - er and might. Heav-en and
earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est. Bless-ed is
he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

You are indeed holy... until he comes.



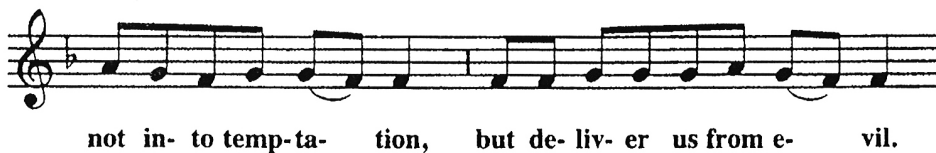
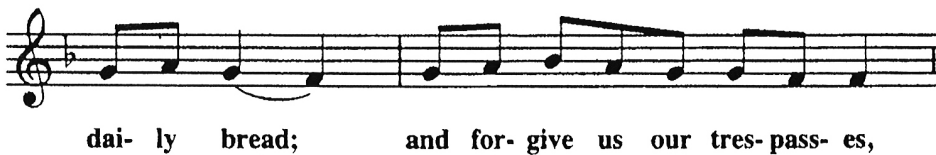
Remembering, therefore... now and forever.



LORD'S PRAYER

8:00 | *Spoken by all*

10:30 | *Sung by all*





For thine is the king-dom, and the pow- er, and the



glo- ry, for- ev- er and ev- er. A- men.

Please sit.

LAMB OF GOD



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.



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.*

COMMUNION HYMNS

#779 Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

#608 Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling

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.

#675 RECESSIONAL HYMN O Christ, Our Light, O Radiance True

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Praeludium in e minor | Nicolaus Bruhns

TODAY FROM THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

I, therefore, cease not to ask of our true Lord and Master that He will deign so to teach me, either by the utterances of His Scriptures, or by discussion with fellow believers, or by the inward and more sweet teaching of His own inspiration, that in those things which I am to put forward or assert I may ever hold fast to the truth; and I ask that from this very Truth, Himself, I may be taught many things and more which I do not know, for from Him I have received the little that I do know. I beseech Him that He will go before me and follow me with His mercy; and that those things which I ought to know to my soul's health He will teach me; that what I know of truth He will guard me therein; that in those things in which I am humanly mistaken He will correct me; and that from what is false and harmful He will deliver me; and that He will make to go forth from my mouth those things which are the most pleasing in the sight of Truth Himself, through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

*Fulgentius of Ruspe
(468-533)*

SERVING TODAY

	8:00 am	10:30 am
PRESIDER	Pastor John Worzala Dumke	Pastor John Worzala Dumke
PREACHER	Pastor Brad Pohlman	Pastor Brad Pohlman
ORGANIST	Andrew Schaeffer	Andrew Schaeffer
ASSISTING MINISTER	Margaret Miner	Dave Zentner
COMMUNION ASSISTANTS	Lori Scarlett	Kris Gruber-Twardy, Janelle Allen, Karole Leadholm
LECTOR	Barb Luedke	
CRUCIFER	Cameron Scarlett	Paul Brammeier
SACRISTAN	Angela Vitcenda	Karen Harris
HEAD USHER	Connie & Randy Burmeister	Eric Oelkers
VIDEO DIRECTOR		Lee Powell
SOUND OPERATOR		David Heins

Altar flowers are given by the Ryther family in honor of Lucy Ryther's 90th birthday.

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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