

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 19, 2017

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Divine Service III LSB pages 184-202

L = Liturgist * = Stand C = Congregation

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***OPENING HYMN**

To Your Temple, Lord, I Come

LW 207

1. **To your temple, Lord, I come, For it is my worship home.
This earth has no better place, Here I see my Savior's face.**
2. **I through Him am reconciled, I through Him become Your child.
Abba, Father, give me grace In your courts your love to trace.**
3. **While your ministers proclaim Peace and pardon in your name,
Through their voice, by faith, may I Hear you speaking from the sky.**
4. **From your house when I return, May my heart within me burn,
And at evening let me say, "I have walked with God today."**

***INVOCATION AND GENERAL CONFESSION**

L: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **✠ Amen.**

L: Beloved in the Lord. Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

L: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C: **Who made heaven and earth.**

L: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C: **And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

L: O Almighty God, merciful Father,

C: **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings, and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

***THE ABSOLUTION**

C: **✠ Amen.**

***THE GLORIA PATRI** (Taken from LSB, page 186)

C: **✠ Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

***THE KYRIE**

C: **✠ Lord have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.**

***THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

L: The Lord be with you.

C: **✠ And with thy spirit.**

L: Let us pray.

C: **✠ Amen.**

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING for the third Sunday in Lent is from Exodus 17:1-7, page 59: (5:00, 8:00, 10:30)

¹All the congregation of the people of Israel moved on from the wilderness of Sin by stages, according to the commandment of the LORD, and camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ²Therefore the people quarreled with Moses and said, "Give us water to drink." And Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?" ³But the people thirsted there for water, and the people grumbled against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?" ⁴So Moses cried to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." ⁵And the LORD said to Moses, "Pass on before the people, taking with you some of the elders of Israel, and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. ⁶Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock at Horeb, and you shall strike the rock, and water shall come out of it, and the people will drink." And Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. ⁷And he called the name of the place Massah and Meribah, because of the quarreling of the people of Israel, and because they tested the LORD by saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: ♪ Thanks be to God.

10:30 Chancel Choir

Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah

THE EPISTLE is from Romans 5:1-8, page 942:

¹Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. ²Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. ³More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. ⁶For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— ⁸but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

***ALLELUIA AND VERSE**

C: ♪ Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

*THE HOLY GOSPEL - The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourth chapter, verses 5-26, pages 888-889:

C: ♪ Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

⁵So he came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the field that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. ⁶Jacob's well was there; so Jesus, wearied as he was from his journey, was sitting beside the well. It was about the sixth hour. ⁷A woman from Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." ⁸(For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) ⁹The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) ¹⁰Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." ¹¹The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water?" ¹²Are you greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock." ¹³Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, ¹⁴but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." ¹⁵The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water." ¹⁶Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." ¹⁷The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; ¹⁸for you have had five husbands, and the one you now have is not your husband. What you have said is true." ¹⁹The woman said to him, "Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet." ²⁰Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, but you say that in Jerusalem is the place where people ought to worship." ²¹Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. ²²You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. ²³But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. ²⁴God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." ²⁵The woman said to him,

"I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ). When he comes, he will tell us all things." ²⁶Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am he."

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **♪ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

***THE CREEDAL HYMN**

All Glory Be to God Alone

LSB 948

- 1. All glory be to God alone, Forevermore the highest one,
Who did our sinful race befriend And grace and peace to us extend.
Among us may His gracious will All hearts with deep thanksgiving fill.**
- 2. We praise You, God; Your name we bless And worship You in humbleness;
From day to day we glorify The everlasting God on high.
Of Your great glory do we sing, And to Your throne our thanks we bring.**
- 3. Lord God, our King on heaven's throne, Our Father, the Almighty One.
O Lord, the sole begotten One, Lord Jesus Christ, the Father's Son,
True God from all eternity, O Lamb of God, to You we flee.**

THE SERMON

"A Matchless Mercy"

(Romans 5:1 & Colossians 2:14)

THE OFFERING - During the offering all worshipers are asked to fill out the blue or ivory cards found in the pew rack. Please pass cards down to center aisle. They will be collected immediately after the offering.

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***THE OFFERTORY** LSB page 192

♪ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

***PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

***LORD'S PRAYER** (Found on the back cover of the hymnal)

***THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

L: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **♪ Amen.**

***THE AGNUS DEI** LSB page 198

♪ O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

We Sing the Praise of Him Who Died

LSB 429

- 1. We sing the praise of Him who died, Of Him who died upon the cross.
The sinner's hope let all deride; For this we count the world but loss.**
- 2. Inscribed upon the cross we see In shining letters, "God is love."
He bears our sins upon the tree; He brings us mercy from above.**
- 3. The cross! It takes our guilt away; It holds the fainting spirit up;
It cheers with hope the gloomy day And sweetens ev'ry bitter cup.**
- 4. It makes the coward spirit brave And nerves the feeble arm for fight;
It takes the terror from the grave And gilds the bed of death with light.**
- 5. The balm of life, the cure of woe, The measure and the pledge of love,
The sinner's refuge here below, The angels' theme in heav'n above.**

6. **To Christ, who won for sinners grace By bitter grief and anguish sore,
Be praise from all the ransomed race Forever and forevermore.**

OTHER DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

LSB 570, 611, 529

NUNC DIMITTIS - Song of Simeon Luke 2:29-32

LSB page 199

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

L: Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good.

C: **For His mercy endureth forever.**

L: Let us pray.

C: **Amen.**

L: The Lord be with you.

C: **And with Thy Spirit.**

L: Bless we the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

*THE BENEDICTION

C: **Amen. Amen. Amen.**

*THE CLOSING HYMN

Oh Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee

TLH 309

- O Jesus, blessed Lord, to Thee My heartfelt thanks forever be,
Who hast so lovingly bestowed On me Thy body and Thy blood.**
- Break forth, my soul, for joy and say: What wealth is come to me this day!
My Savior dwells within my heart: How blest am I! How good Thou art!**

*SILENT PRAYER/POSTLUDE + + + + +

SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY:

Preacher: Pastor Dennis A. Kastens

Liturgist: 5:00, 8:00 & 10:30 - Pastor Jon C. Furgeson; 9:20 - Sem. Edwards

Organist: 5:00 & 9:20: Burnell Hackman; 8:00 & 10:30: Kendra Ruesler

Choir Dir.: Burnell Hackman, DMM

KFUO 850 AM Broadcaster/Engineer: Wayne Schuessler/Jeanette Mattingly

NEWS AND NOTES:

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CHRIST'S TRUE BODY AND BLOOD, given and shed in His passion for the forgiveness of sins, are really present in, with, and under the bread and the wine in the Sacrament of the Altar and are given to and received by those who commune. Confirmed church members who are of one faith with us are invited to the Lord's table. Please register by marking the attendance card in the pew rack.

TODAY'S EDUCATION HOUR: 9:15 - 10:15 a.m.

Adult Bible Class (Lower Commons): Augsburg Confession

Bible Study for 18 - 25 Year Olds (Former Sanctuary Overflow Room):

Discussions led by group members with mentors present.

Women's Bible Class (Office Conf. Rm.): led by Janice McCreary

Youth Bible Class: led by Christina Stackle, DCE

8th Grade: Rick Goodman & Mike Renner

7th Grade: Greg Wirtel & Louise Oster

PLEASE SILENCE ALL CELL PHONES.

HEARING ASSIST TRANSMITTERS are available from the ushers. Ear pieces are available although we suggest you bring your own.

FOOD & DRINK consumption should be kept inside the Gym.

ALTAR FLOWERS are in celebration of Bob & Sharon Hammon's 52nd Wedding Anniversary from their children and grandchildren. **LIVE BROADCAST** over KFUE radio (850 AM dial) of Peace's 8 a.m. service today is sponsored by Dennis and Jan Gerfen in loving memory of William Nottelmann and Henry Gerfen.

LENTEN SELF-DENIAL FOLDERS available in the office. The offering is for Seminary students in financial need. Please turn in the folders on Easter Sunday.

MARCH 31 IS THE LAST CHANCE to designate Thrivent Choice Dollars for 2016. Please consider directing your dollars to Peace. Nate Schmoll, Thrivent Rep, will help you direct your Choice Dollars. Call 330-8037.

YOUTH NEWS: Sr. Youth Summer Event: We are going to Lumberton, North Carolina during June 18-25 to help with hurricane relief. Cost is \$100 to attend. Please fill out an application by March 26 to attend. **Easter Egg Hunt:** We need youth to help hide eggs and play games next Sat., March 25, from 8:30-11:30 a.m. Please sign up to help.

EASTER EGG HUNT Sat., March 25, beginning at 10:00 a.m. with doors open and registration starting 9:30 a.m. for children from birth through 3rd grade. All events are indoors. Bring your own basket!

FEED MY PEOPLE Retirement Banquet for Carol/John DeGuire, Sun., March 26, 4p.m., at Royale Orleans. Call 631-4900 for tickets by tomorrow, March 20.

LWML SPRING RALLY will be April 1 at Gethsemane Lutheran Church, Lemay Ferry Road. Refreshments will begin at 8:45a.m. and the meeting at 9:30a.m. See the bulletin board for more information. Hope many of you can join us.

PERRYVILLE RELIEF contributions totaled \$3,592.05 accompanied by a generous outlay of grocery staples. Thanks to all!

PIANIST TIMOTHY JANSEN will present a recital at Peace on Sunday, March 26, at 3:00 p.m. As a Concert pianist, Mr. Jansen has recently performed at the Sheldon Concert Hall, The St. Louis Central Library, The Ethical Society of St. Louis, The Chapel, Christ Church Cathedral and The Tavern of Fine Arts.

2017 CONFIRMATION BANNERS appear on the sanctuary wall.

CONFIRMANDS: Jacob Paul **Baese**, Kreighton Frances Weiss **Bluette**, Lydia Ruth **Dowell**, Garren Michael **Engle**, Sofia Isabella **Gamayo**, Josiah Robert **Gathman**, Jacob Alan **Hackett**, Jordan Elizabeth **Hinton**, Alex David **Hopfer**, Brianna Nichole **Klann**, Paul Daniel **Maschhoff**, William Tyler **Mayo**, Scott William **McRoy**, Morgan Marie **Mieger**, Jeffrey Deane **O'Guinn**, Brenna Riane **Rogers**, Sarah Elizabeth **Seim**, Selena Marie **Seim**, Nicholas Robert **Sights**, Nicholas John **Werner**, Paige Madison **Werner**, Dakoda Renee **White**, Christina Rose **Yopez**.