Fifth Sunday in Lent March 17, 2024

Prelude / Bell / Welcome

Song As We Gather at Your Table ELW 522

Confession and Forgiveness

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. C:Amen.

L: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen**.

L: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

L: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

L: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C: Amen.

Sharing the Peace

Prayer

Reading Jeremiah 31:31-34

Responsive Reading Psalm 51:1-12

L: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;

C: in your great compassion blot out my offenses.

L: Wash me through and through from my wickedness, and cleanse me from my sin.

C: For I know my offenses, and my sin is ever before me.

L: Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight,

C: so that you are justified when you speak and right in your judgment.

L: Indeed, I was born steeped in wickedness, a sinner from my mother's womb.

C: Indeed you delight in the truth deep within me, and would have me know wisdom deep within.

L: Remove my sin with hyssop, and I will be clean; wash me, and I shall be purer than snow.

C: Let me hear joy and gladness; that the body you have broken may rejoice.

L: Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my wickedness.

C: Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

L: Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

C: Restore to me the joy of your salvation and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.

Reading Hebrews 5:5-10
L: The Word of the Lord C: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil ELW 512

Gospel Reading John 12:20-33

C: Glory to you, O Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ

Message

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

Song My Faith Looks Up to Thee ELW 759

Prayers Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am ELW 814

(in between each prayer petition we sing)

Offering / Offertory Fragrant Offering

The Great Thanksgiving

L: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts. C: We lift them to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

L: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Song Taste And See ELW 493 (chorus only)

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer / Communion

Blessing / Benediction

Song Now The Green Blade Rises ELW 379

Dismissal / Bell / Postlude

You are a beloved child of God, deserving of love and respect and God is using you to care for the world.

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We Thank

Ushers; Tech Desk Organist/ Pianist: Paula Geier

Reader: Larry Powers Communion Servers

Nordland's Week

Today 9:30 / 10:30 Education w/ First Communion Class & Fellowship / Worship & Quilt Blessing

Wed. 6:15 pm Soup & Sandwich Supper, freewill donation for Scholarship Fund

7:00 pm Lent Service, Theme: Stories Around the Campfire

Sun. 9:30 / 10:30 Education w/ First Communion Class & Fellowship / Worship

11:30 am Brunch, Youth Fundraiser

Notices: March 17, 2024

April 24 is Palm Sunday; the youth invite you to a Brunch following worship at 11:30 am, freewill donation.

Reminder- the Nordland Grocery Cart will be in the entryway for any donations to The Link & Community Service Center. They need our help and appreciate all of your generous donations! Monetary gifts are also welcomed as they are able to purchase food in bigger quantities. Thanks for your generosity!

Sisters at Heart are purchasing flowers to decorate the church sanctuary for Easter Sunday. If you would like to make a donation to help with that expense please mark your donation or check to "Sisters at Heart", note "for Easter flowers", and leave in the offering plate by Sunday, March 24. Thank you!

Christmas wreaths and stands have been removed from gravesites. If you had an artificial wreath or a stand you can pick it up by the shed till March 30. – Cemetery Wardens

Notice: Nordland members who will be attending a school of higher education for the 2024-2025 school year are encouraged to apply for a scholarship. Application forms at the usher counter, contact the church office, or go to the Nordland website. Please return application to the office by April 15.

NLCW -- Mission Fest is Sat. April 27, help is still needed, sign up in the entryway.

- -- We are looking for someone to help with the Family of God for the month of April, contact Avie Hunt.
- -- 2024 Snyod Women's Convention is Sat. May 4, information and registration forms are on the west bulletin board, cost is \$40. Please leave registration form and check at the church office by April 21.

The Atwater Area Help for Seniors is having Steve Hislop, local musician and guitarist that plays country music & gospel will be at the Atwater Community Center on Tuesday, March 19, 2:00 pm, coffee afterwards.