

MEAL

OFFERTORY

“Thou Knowest the Secrets of Our Hearts,” by Henry Purcell

*OFFERING SONG

“Create in Me a Clean Heart”

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*OFFERING PRAYER

Gracious Provider,
you set your immense treasures among us,
opening your heart to the world.
As we prepare to feast on your bountiful love,
deepen our commitment to sharing those
treasures with others,
through our Savior, Jesus Christ.
Amen.

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also 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.

... 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.

SANCTUS: “Holy, Holy, Holy”

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...as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
we proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes:
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

...all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.
Amen.

*LORD’S PRAYER

God, remember us in your love and teach us to pray:
**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your
kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we
forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of
trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

*INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*At the direction of the usher, please come forward by the center aisle
and return by the side aisles. Gluten-free bread is available upon
request, and you may choose wine (glass) or alcohol-free juice
(stainless steel). To receive communion at your seat, simply notify
an usher. All who seek to receive Jesus in bread and cup are
welcomed at this table.*

COMMUNION HYMN

“Lamb of God”

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“A Mighty Fortress is Our God”

ELW Hymn 504

*TABLE BLESSING

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you, and
keep you in God’s grace.
Amen.

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Generous Host,
you have shared your feast with us and made us new.
Send us now to set tables of love and grace in our communities,
that your liberating love might nourish the world into freedom,
in the name of the crucified one, Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

SENDING

*BLESSING

God our tender parent,
God the crucified one,
God the reconciling Spirit,
✠ bless you now and forever.
Amen.

*SENDING HYMN

“On Jordan’s Stormy Bank I Stand” ELW Hymn 437

*DISMISSAL

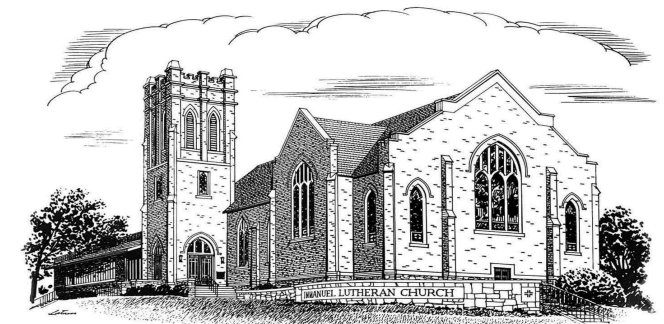
Go in peace. Care for others as God cares for you.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

"Consolation," by Theodore Beck (1929-2003)
Based on ELW 319

Welcome to Worship

First Sunday in Lent



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10 a.m.



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(red hymnal), and hymns in the back.

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*Please stand as you are able

PRELUDE

"Songe d'Automne," by Archibald Joyce (1873-1963)

GATHERING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Let us return to God, confessing our sin in the assurance of God’s abiding love.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Compassionate One,
**you are slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love,
but our lives do not always reflect you
and your love for the world.
We do not show others the tender compassion
you have shown to us.
We do not welcome others with the radical hospitality
you grant to all people.
We oppress others,
even though you have set us free again and again.
We squander the abundant gifts of the earth.
Transform our lives
and guide us again in the way of the cross.
Amen.**

Beloved in Christ,
God’s arms are always stretched open wide
to welcome the wandering ones home.
In † Christ your sins are forgiven.
You have a place in God’s house forever.
Amen.

***GATHERING HYMN**
“Great Litany”

ELW Hymn 238

***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**

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***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

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
safely through the wilderness of this world toward the life you alone can give,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and
the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

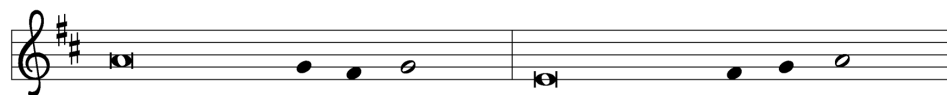
WORD

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 26:1-11

1 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, 2 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.
3 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.” 4 When the priest takes the basket
from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, 5 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. 6 When
the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on
us, 7 we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice
and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. 8 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; 9 and he brought us into this
place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. 10 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. 11 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.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALMODY: Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16



1 You who dwell in the shelter of | the Most High,
who abide in the shadow of | the Almighty—
**2 you will say to the Lord, “My refuge | and my stronghold,
my God in whom I | put my trust.”**
9 Because you have made the | Lord your refuge,
and the Most High your | habitation,
**10 no evil | will befall you,
nor shall affliction come | near your dwelling.**
11 For God will give the angels charge | over you,
to guard you in | all your ways.
**12 Upon their hands they will | bear you up,
lest you strike your foot a- | gainst a stone.**
13 You will tread upon the lion | cub and viper;
you will trample down the lion | and the serpent.
**14 I will deliver those who | cling to me;
I will uphold them, because they | know my name.**
15 They will call me, and I will | answer them;
I will be with them in trouble; I will rescue and | honor them.
**16 With long life will I | satisfy them,
and show them | my salvation.**

SECOND READING: Romans 10:8b-13

8b “The word is near you,
on your lips and in your heart”

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); 9 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. 10 For one believes with the heart and
so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. 11 The
scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” 12 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. 13 For, “Everyone who calls on
the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

***Gospel: Luke 4:1-13**

The Holy Gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

1 Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by
the Spirit in the wilderness, 2 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. 3 The devil said to him, “If you are the Son of God,
command this stone to become a loaf of bread.” 4 Jesus answered him,
“It is written, ‘One does not live by bread alone.’”

5 Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the
kingdoms of the world. 6 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. 7 If you, then, will worship me, it will all be
yours.” 8 Jesus answered him, “It is written,
‘Worship the Lord your God,
and serve only him.’”

9 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, 10 for it is written,
‘He will command his angels concerning you,
to protect you,’

11 and
‘On their hands they will bear you up,
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.’”

12 Jesus answered him, “It is said, ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the
test.’” 13 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.**

SERMON

***HYMN OF THE DAY**
“Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song”

ELW Hymn 808

***INSTALLATION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS**

***APOSTLES’ CREED**

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***PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

... God, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

...Receive the prayers of your people and draw all things together in
your love, in the name of Jesus, who leads us from death to
life. **Amen.**

***PEACE**

The Peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.