

Midweek Lenten Service - 1

February 21, 2024, 4:00 and 6:30 p.m.



**40 DAY
EXODUS**

**Faith Lutheran Church
Green Bay, Wisconsin**

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- congregation stands. - congregation sits. - congregation kneels or sits as able.
 - congregation sings. Congregation responds in **bold print**.

Prelude

EVENING PRAYER

(begins on p. 243 of *Lutheran Service Book*)

SERVICE OF LIGHT - LSB p. 243

The procession reflects the centuries-old practice of lighting lamps in preparation for worship. The darkness of chaos and fear and defeat, while strong and ever-threatening, is driven back by the coming of the light. It is a re-enactment of creation and also of the resurrection.

PHOS HILARON (Hymn of Light) - LSB p. 244

INCENSE PSALM - LSB p. 245

Reading

Exodus 14:10-15:1

When Pharaoh drew near, the people of Israel lifted up their eyes, and behold, the Egyptians were marching after them, and they feared greatly. And the people of Israel cried out to the Lord. They said to Moses, "Is it because there are no graves in Egypt that you have taken us away to die in the wilderness? What have you done to us in bringing us out of Egypt? Is not this what we said to you in Egypt: 'Leave us alone that we may serve the Egyptians'? For it would have been better for us to serve the Egyptians than to die in the wilderness." And Moses said to the people, "Fear not, stand firm, and see the salvation of the Lord, which he will work for you today. For the Egyptians whom you see today, you shall never see again. The Lord will fight for you, and you have only to be silent."

The Lord said to Moses, “Why do you cry to me? Tell the people of Israel to go forward. Lift up your staff, and stretch out your hand over the sea and divide it, that the people of Israel may go through the sea on dry ground. And I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians so that they shall go in after them, and I will get glory over Pharaoh and all his host, his chariots, and his horsemen. And the Egyptians shall know that I am the Lord, when I have gotten glory over Pharaoh, his chariots, and his horsemen.”

Then the angel of God who was going before the host of Israel moved and went behind them, and the pillar of cloud moved from before them and stood behind them, coming between the host of Egypt and the host of Israel. And there was the cloud and the darkness. And it lit up the night without one coming near the other all night.

Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and the Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night and made the sea dry land, and the waters were divided. And the people of Israel went into the midst of the sea on dry ground, the waters being a wall to them on their right hand and on their left. The Egyptians pursued and went in after them into the midst of the sea, all Pharaoh's horses, his chariots, and his horsemen. And in the morning watch the Lord in the pillar of fire and of cloud looked down on the Egyptian forces and threw the Egyptian forces into a panic, clogging their chariot wheels so that they drove heavily. And the Egyptians said, “Let us flee from before Israel, for the Lord fights for them against the Egyptians.”

Then the Lord said to Moses, “Stretch out your hand over the sea, that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots, and upon their horsemen.” So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and the sea returned to its normal course when the morning appeared. And as the Egyptians fled into it, the Lord threw the Egyptians into the midst of the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the horsemen; of all the host of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea, not one of them remained. But the people of Israel walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters being a wall to them on their right hand and on their left.

Thus the Lord saved Israel that day from the hand of the Egyptians, and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great power that the Lord used against the Egyptians, so the people feared the Lord, and they believed in the Lord and in his servant Moses.

Then Moses and the people of Israel sang this song to the Lord, saying,
“I will sing to the Lord, for he has triumphed gloriously;
the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea.

O Lord, have mercy on us.
Thanks be to God.

Reading

1 Corinthians 10:1-13

For I do not want you to be unaware, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ. Nevertheless, with most of them God was not pleased, for they were overthrown in the wilderness.

Now these things took place as examples for us, that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, “The people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play.” We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents, nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer. Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come. Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

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Thanks be to God.

Reading

Matthew 3:7-12

But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to his baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit in keeping with repentance. And do not presume to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our father,’ for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children for Abraham. Even now the axe is laid to the root of the trees. Every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

“I baptize you with water for repentance, but he who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and gather his wheat into the barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

O Lord, have mercy on us.
Thanks be to God.

In many and various ways, God spoke to His people of old by the prophets.
But now in these last days, He has spoken to us by His Son.

HYMN: “Water, Blood and Spirit Crying” - LSB #597

 SERMON Vicar Chase Greenhagen

Gathering of the Offering

HYMN: “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” - LSB #426




1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross On which the
2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast Save in the
3 See, from His head, His hands, His feet, Sor - row and
4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, That were a



Prince of Glo - ry died, My rich - est gain I count but
death of Christ, my God; All the vain things that charm me
love flow ming - led down, Did e'er such love and sor - row
trib - ute far too small; Love so a - maz - ing, so di -



loss And pour con - tempt on all my pride.
most, I sac - ri - fice them to His blood.
meet Or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
vine, De - mands my soul, my life, my all.

 LITANY *Lutheran Service Book pp. 249-51*

COLLECT FOR PEACE

LORD’S PRAYER

 BENEDICAMUS

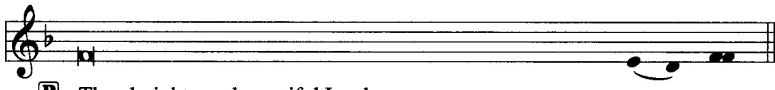



L Let us bless the Lord.

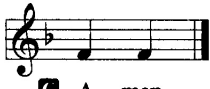


C Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION



P The almighty and merciful Lord,
the Father, the  Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and pre - serve you.



C A - men.

Welcome and Announcements

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HYMN: "The Day Thou Gavest" - LSB #886



1 The day Thou gav - est, Lord, is end - ed,
2 We thank Thee that Thy Church, un - sleep - ing
3 As o'er each con - ti - nent and is - land
4 The sun, that bids us rest, is wak - ing
5 So be it, Lord! Thy throne shall ne - ver,



The dark - ness falls at Thy be - hest;
While earth rolls on - ward in - to light,
The dawn leads on an - oth - er day,
Thy chil - dren un - der west - ern skies,
Like earth's proud em - pires, pass a - way;



To Thee our morn - ing hymns as - cend - ed,
Through all the world her watch is keep - ing,
The voice of prayer is nev - er si - lent,
And hour by hour, as day is break - ing,
Thy king - dom stands and grows for - ev - er,



Thy praise shall hal - low now our rest.
And nev - er rests by day or night.
Nor dies the strain of praise a - way,
Fresh hymns of thank - ful praise a - rise.
Till all Thy crea - tures own Thy sway.

2024 LENTEN SCHEDULE

Midweek Services (Wednesdays at 4 & 6:30 pm)
Midweek Meals will be served from 5:00 pm—6:00 pm

- February 21Midweek Service
(Meal hosted by Youth & Board of Education)
- February 28Midweek Service
(Meal hosted by Adult Handbells & Choir)
- March 6Midweek Service
(Meal hosted by Evangelism & Fellowship)
- March 13Midweek Service
(Meal hosted by Altar Guild)
- March 20Midweek Service
(Meal hosted by Church Council)

Holy Week

- Sun. 3/24Palm Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 am
- Mon. 3/25Holy Week Service 6:30 pm .
- Thur. 3/28Maundy Thursday 6:30 pm
(1st Communion)
- Fri. 3/29Tre Ore Service 12:00 - 3:00 pm
(7 small services all approx. 25 min. long)
Tenebrae Service 6:30 pm
- Sat. 3/30Easter Vigil 8:00 pm
- Sun. 3/31Easter Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 am
(Adult Choir sings at 8 & Childrens' Choirs sing at 10:30)
(Easter Breakfast will be served from 9:00-10:30 am)
- Mon. 4/1No Monday Evening Service