



St. Joseph, Guardian of Jesus

March 19 , 2023, 8:00 and 10:30 a.m.
and Monday, March 20, 6:30 p.m.

- congregation stands. - congregation sits. - congregation kneel or sit as you are able.
 - congregation sings. Congregation responds in **bold print**.

Prelude Chaconne in f-minor - Dietrich Buxtehude

HYMN: “What Wondrous Love is This” - *LSB #543*
(8:00 and Monday congregation sings all stanzas)

Choir 1. What wondrous love is this,
O my soul, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this
That caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul!

2. When I was sinking down,
Sinking down, sinking down,
When I was sinking down, sinking down.
When I was sinking down
Beneath God’s righteous frown,
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul, for my soul,
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul.

**ALL 3. To God and to the Lamb
I will sing, I will sing;
To God and to the Lamb I will sing;
To God and to the Lamb,
Who is the great I AM,
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,
While millions join the theme, I will sing.**

4. And when from death I'm free,
I'll sing on, I'll sing on;
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.
And when from death I'm free
I'll sing His love for me,
And through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
And through eternity I'll sing on.


INVOCATION

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

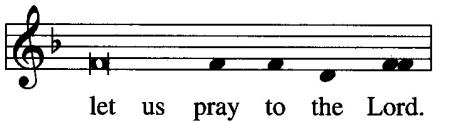
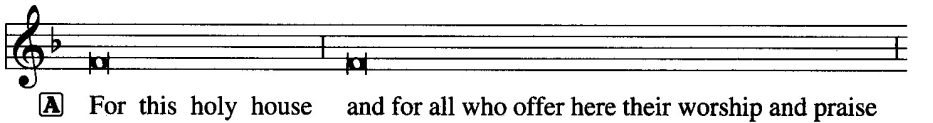
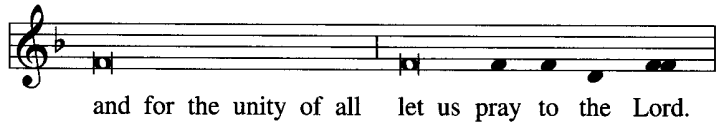
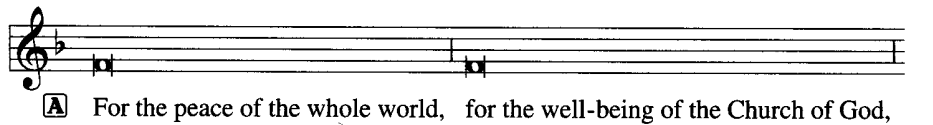
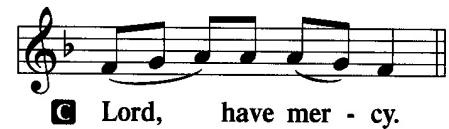
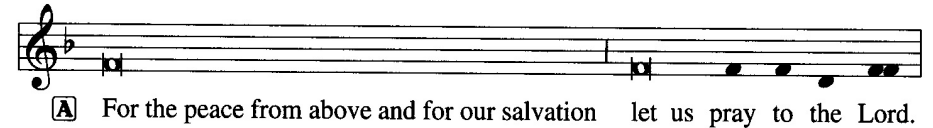
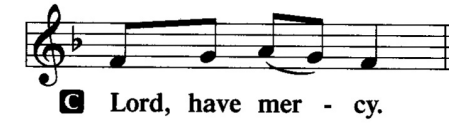
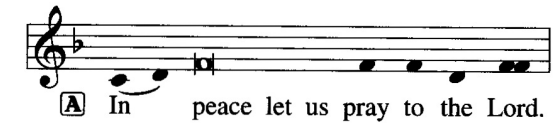
But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and
cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

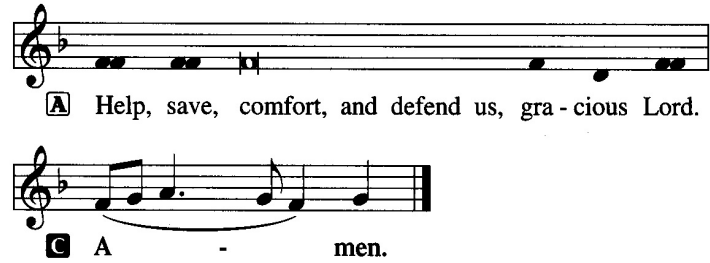
 Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have
sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what
we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not
loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve your present and eternal
punishment. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us,
renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to
the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Almighty God in his mercy has given his Son to die for you and for his sake forgives
you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of the Word, I therefore forgive you
all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

KYRIE (LSB p. 152)





The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, from the house of Your servant David You raised up Joseph to be the guardian of Your incarnate Son and husband of His mother, Mary. Grant us grace to follow the example of this faithful workman in heeding Your counsel and obeying Your commands; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.



READINGS

Old Testament

2 Samuel 7:4-16

But that same night the word of the Lord came to Nathan,

“Go and tell my servant David, ‘Thus says the Lord: Would you build me a house to dwell in? I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent for my dwelling. In all places where I have moved with all the people of Israel, did I speak a word with any of the judges of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, “Why have you not built me a house of cedar?”’”

Now, therefore, thus you shall say to my servant David, ‘Thus says the Lord of hosts, I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep, that you should be prince over my people Israel. And I have been with you wherever you went and have cut off all your enemies from before you. And I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may dwell in their own place and be disturbed no more.

And violent men shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel. And I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover, the Lord declares to you that the Lord will make you a house. When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your fathers, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever.

I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son. When he commits iniquity, I will discipline him with the rod of men, with the stripes of the sons of men, but my steadfast love will not depart from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I put away from before you. And your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me. Your throne shall be established forever.”

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

10:30 Adult Choir “Behold the Lamb of God” - Craig Courtney

*Behold the Lamb of God, The Lamb for sinners slain;
A perfect sacrifice for all, He died, but lives again.
Behold the Lamb of God, Behold His hands and side.
The Son of God, the sinless Lamb, for us was crucified.
He lives, let Heav’n rejoice, And earth her honors bring
To Him, the everlasting God, the great, eternal King.
Oh, strike your harps of gold, Ye ransomed host above.
Praise Him who bought you with His blood, And saved you by His blood.*

Epistle

Romans 4:13-18

For the promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith. For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression.

That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring—not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. In hope he believed against hope, that he should become the father of many nations, as he had been told, “So shall your offspring be.”

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Verse for Lent

Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gra-cious and mer-ci-ful, slow to an-ger,
and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love, and a - bound-ing in stead - fast love.

The Holy Gospel, according to St. John, the third chapter:
Glory to You, O Lord

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

The flight to Egypt

Now when they had departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, “Rise, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you, for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him.” And he rose and took the child and his mother by night and departed to Egypt and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet, “Out of Egypt I called my son.”

The Return to Nazareth

But when Herod died, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt, saying, “Rise, take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel, for those who sought the child's life are dead.” And he rose and took the child and his mother and went to the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus was reigning over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there, and being warned in a dream he withdrew to the district of Galilee. And he went and lived in a city called Nazareth, so that what was spoken by the prophets might be fulfilled, that he would be called a Nazarene.

This is the Gospel of our Lord.
Praise to You, O Christ.

NICENE CREED (inside back cover of hymnal)

Sunday: **Children’s Lesson** Alex Wright - *Director of Christian Education*

HYMN: “Take My Life, and Let it Be” - *LSB #783*

THE MESSAGE Pastor Joshua Errer

Gathering of the Offering

Did you know... That your offering promotes life long Christian growth through the offering of multiple adult Bible studies each week?

Faith members willingly support the ministry of this congregation with their tithes and offerings. Visitors are always welcomed as our guests, so please do not feel obligated to contribute. During the gathering of the offering we ask that the registration in the red folder located at the end of each pew be passed down and filled out by visitors and members. Visitors, please remember to include contact information if you are interested in knowing more about Faith.

Scan to Give



OFFERTORY “Create in Me” (LSB p. 192)

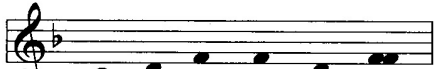
Create in me a clean heart, O, God,
and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence;
and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation;
and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

(Ps. 51:10-12)

THE PRAYERS

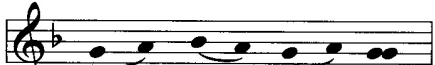
+ SACRAMENT +
(LSB p. 160)

PREFACE


P The Lord be with you.

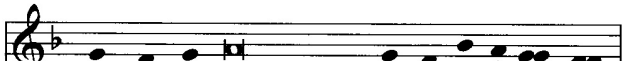
2 Timothy 4:22


C And al - so with you.


P Lift up your hearts.

[Colossians 3:1]


C We lift them to the Lord.


P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.


[Psalm 136]



C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

SANCTUS


C Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of pow'r and might:


Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -

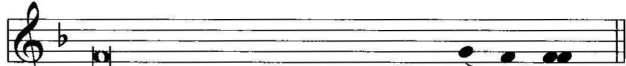

san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who


comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

LORD'S PRAYER


WORDS OF INSTITUTION


PAX DOMINI


P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.


C A - men.

AGNUS DEI


C 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.

In accordance with the historic practice of the Christian Church, our congregation practices close communion, meaning that normally our members and members of our sister (LCMS) congregations commune here. Please speak to the pastor about exceptions to this general practice. Please also note that this practice in no way intends to comment on the state of anyone else's faith; we simply understand our communing together as also a public profession of unity in doctrine, which not everyone shares. Those who do not commune here may come forward for a blessing (simply fold your arms over your heart to indicate that you are not communing) or remain in the pew during communion and pray, particularly for visible unity in the Christian Church.

Non-alcoholic wine is available in the individual cups. It is the clear wine in the cups at the center of the tray. Note: If you prefer to receive from the chalice, simply do not take one of the individual cups. The pastor will follow with the chalice.



COMMUNION HYMNS

10:30 Adult Choir: “Calvary” - Michael Larkin
Kelley Gossage, flute

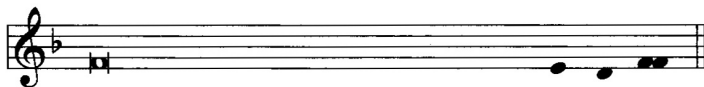
“Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed” - *LSB #437*

“Forgive Us, Lord For Shallow Thankfulness” - *LSB #788*



POST- COMMUNION COLLECT
Amen.

BENEDICTION



P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you
and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.



C A - men.

Welcome and Announcements

HYMN: “Sent Forth By God’s Blessing” - *LSB #643*

1. Sent forth by God’s blessing,
Our true faith confessing,
The people of God from His dwelling take leave.
The supper is ended.
Oh, now be extended
The fruits of this service in all who believe.
The seed of His teaching,
Receptive souls reaching,
Shall blossom in action for God and for all.
His grace did invite us,
His love shall unite us
To work for God’s kingdom and answer His call.
- 2 With praise and thanksgiving
To God everliving,
The tasks of our ev’ryday life we will face.
Our faith ever sharing,
In love ever caring,
Embracing His children of each tribe and race.
With Your feast You feed us,
With Your light now lead us,
Unite us as one in this life that we share.
Then may all the living
With praise and thanksgiving
Give honor to Christ and His name that we bear.

Postlude Psalm XX - Benedetto Marcello, arr. Alexandre Guilmant

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