# **OLD NORTH CHURCH**

DIVINE WORSHIP LENT IV

MARCH 30, 2025 9:30 A.M.

**ORGAN PRELUDE** "Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart" Van Denman Thompson

"Through Deepening Trials" Alexander Schreiner

#### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Scott Benell

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 98

LEADER: Shout with joy to God, all the earth!

ALL: Sing the glory of his name; LEADER: Make his praise glorious!

ALL: Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds."

\*HYMN #29 "O Worship the King" Lyons

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Seated)

Psalm 69

LEADER: The Psalmist calls us to confession this morning.

"Save me, O God, for the waters of sin have engulfed me. I sink before their weight and I have no hope but for you and am worn out for calling to you for help. My eyes fail looking for my God. Answer me, O Lord, out of the goodness of your love; in your great mercy turn to me."

Let us pray.

ALL: Holy Father, keeper of our lives, we have lived apart from you. We have gone our own way, and not kept your commandments. Forgive us Lord, and set us on a right path. Clear the way before us such that the obstacles of sin are cast aside and we follow you in paths of righteousness and ministry. We pray this in Christ's name. Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON (sung)

Lord, have mercy upon us, Christ have mercy upon us, Lord have mercy upon us.

#### **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS:**

Psalm 65

LEADER: Hear God's merciful words of forgiveness.

"Praise awaits you, O God, in Zion; to you our vows will be fulfilled. O you who hear prayer, to you all men will come. When we were overwhelmed by sins you forgave our transgressions."

**ALL: Thanks be to God!** 

#### \*GLORIA PATRI #805

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, Amen.

#### \*SALUTATION AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

LEADER: Grace to you and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

May the peace of the Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

\*HYMN #552 "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" Olivet

**A TIME FOR OUR YOUTH** Children proceed to Sunday School following the message.

SCRIPTURE Revelation 7:11-17

Mark 2:18-22

SERMON HYMN #530 "Be Still, My Soul" Finlandia

#### PRAYER FOR THE INSPIRATION OF THE WORD

**SERMON** "He Will Wipe Away Every Tear From Their Eyes"

#### \*APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father almighty, from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen.

#### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERTORY "Rest in the Lord" Felix Mendelssohn

#### \*DOXOLOGY

"Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen."

\*HYMN #562 "Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies" Dix

#### PASTORAL BENEDICTION

\*PARTING SONG Eidelweiss

May the Lord, mighty God, bless and keep you forever.
Grant you peace, perfect peace, courage in every endeavor.
Lift up your eyes and see his face and his grace forever.
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POSTLUDE "Aria" Johann S. Bach

\*Please rise, in body or in spirit. **Bold words indicate unison participation.** 

**Prayer Requests:** If you have a prayer request this morning, please fill out the Prayer Request section of the welcome card located in the pew and place it in the offering plate.

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Fourth Sunday in Lent

# **OLD NORTH REFORMED CHURCH**

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## Welcome to worship at Old North Reformed Church!

We are pleased you chose to worship with us today! If you would like to be added to our mailing list, please leave your contact information in the guest book in the entrance to the sanctuary before leaving today.

We encourage you to keep this copy of the bulletin and take it home to share with a family member or with a friend. The service can be experienced anytime online via Old North's YouTube channel or Facebook page.



The Fourth Sunday of Lent is traditionally called **Laetare Sunday**. Laetare is a Latin word that means "rejoice." Today's Gospel describes the reason for our joy: God's great love for us has been revealed in Jesus.

**Prayer Chain:** If you wish to add the power of prayer in times of celebration, healing, or transitions in life, please call Pat Hooey, 201-843-4456. Your prayer requests are uplifted by our prayer team, and confidentiality is honored.

### **Church Family Prayer List:**

• Betsy • Cliff • Doris • Diana • Janet • Katie • Mary • Michael • Tom
For those chronic conditions and their loving caregivers; those seeking employment or
vocation; those facing medical procedures or recovering from surgery,
and safety for all who are traveling.

Scheduled to serve today with our thanks:

Ushers & Greeters: Mikayla & Nate Schmude
Thank you to Scout Troop 64 for hosting coffee hour today.

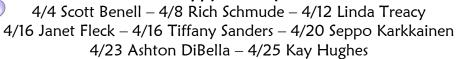
	Ushers & Greeters	Coffee Hour Hosts
4/6	Scott Benell, Karen DiBella, Nancy Gorman	Debra Connolly
4/13	Donair Karkkainen, Helen Berthold	Palm Sunday Pancake Breakfast
4/20	Marianne Schmude, Linda Treacy	Happy Easter!

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# Congratulations to all of our Church Family who are celebrating a special event!

# Happy Birthday!





**Lenten Bible Study:** Join Pastor Linden for 2 more weeks of Lenten Bible Study. Meet in the Lounge on Tuesdays from 6:30 – 7:30 pm.

**Lenten Offering Coin Folders:** Lenten Coin Folders are available in the library if you would like to participate.

Thrift Shoppe: "Shopping for the Women We Love" - Teaching the children the "joy of giving". Come to our next sale on 4/12. With Easter and Mother's Day approaching the Annex will be set up for children to shop for something special for someone special. You will be introduced to our volunteer, and they will be solely responsible for your child. They will help them shop and wrap the gifts. We hope to make this a fun experience for kids.

**Easter Flowers:** If you would like to purchase Easter Flowers, please fill out the Flower Form and return it to the plate or to the office. All dedications are due back by 4/13.

**Capital Project Fund:** Keep in your prayers our Capital Project Fund. The fund has been set up to maintain our beautiful Sanctuary and property. Contributions can be made by check to Old North or cash clearly labeled **CPF**.



# PALM SUNDAY PANCAKE BREAKFAST Receive your palms and stay for pancakes.

Sunday, April 13<sup>th</sup> following 9:30 a.m. worship.

Adults \$7.00, Children \$3.00 - Pay at the door.

Sign-up sheet is available during coffee hour or you can contact the office to reserve your space.

**Choir Practice:** All women are invited to join us in preparation for the special music on Palm Sunday and Easter. We will hold a short rehearsal in the Chapel after church this morning. Come join us!

