

February 18, 2024

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Welcome & Announcements

Gathering Hymn

"The Glory of These Forty Days"

ELW #320 vs 1&2

- 1 The glory of these forty days we celebrate with songs of praise; for Christ, through whom all things were made, himself has fasted and has prayed.
- 2 Alone and fasting Moses saw the loving God who gave the law; and to Elijah, fasting, came the steeds and chariots of flame.

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Call to Confession

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who writes the law on our hearts, who draws all people together through Jesus. **C: Amen.**

P: Held in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Prayer of Confession

P: Holy God,

C: we confess that we are caught in snares of sin and cannot break free. We hoard resources while our neighbors are hungry and cold. We speak in ways that silence others. We are silent when we should speak up. We keep score in our hearts. We let hurts grow into hatred. For all these things and for sins only you know, forgive us, Lord. Amen.

Forgiveness

P: Here is a flood of grace: Out of love for the whole world, God draws near to us, breaks every snare of sin, washes away our wrongs, and restores the promise of life

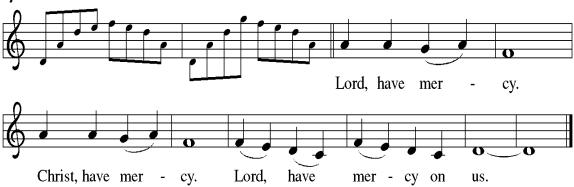
through Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

Greeting

P: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. C: And also with you.





Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray,

C: Holy God, heavenly Father, in the waters of the flood you saved the chosen, and in the wilderness of temptation you protected your Son from sin. Renew us in the gift of baptism. May your holy angels be with us, that the wicked foe may have no power over us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Anthem Adult Handbells

"Ah, Holy Jesus" – Terry Osman

Word

God Speaks to Us in Scripture Reading, Preaching, and Song.

Reading: Psalm 25:1-10

¹To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

²My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be put to shame, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

³Let none who look to you be put to shame; rather let those be put to shame who are treacherous.

⁴Show me your ways, O LORD,

and teach me your paths.

⁵Lead me in your truth and teach me,

for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

⁶Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love,

for they are from everlasting.

⁷Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.

 $^8\mbox{You}$ are gracious and upright, O $\mbox{LORD};$

therefore you teach sinners in your way.

⁹You lead the lowly in justice and teach the lowly your way.

¹⁰All your paths, O LORD, are steadfast love and faithfulness to those who keep your covenant and your testimonies.

Reading: 1 Peter 3:18-22

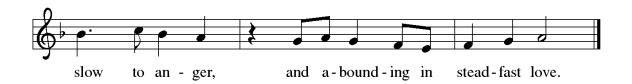
¹⁸Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, ²⁰who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. ²¹And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²²who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

L: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation





P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark, chapter one.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: Mark 1:9-15

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

¹²And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. ¹³He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Message

Sermon Pastor Dave

Hymn of the Day "Thy Holy Wings" ELW #613 vs 1&2

1 Thy holy wings, O Savior, spread gently over me, and let me rest securely through good and ill in thee. Oh, be my strength and portion, my rock and hiding place, and let my ev'ry moment be lived within thy grace.

Oh, let me nestle near thee, within thy downy breast where I will find sweet comfort and peace within thy nest. Oh, close thy wings around me and keep me safely there, for I am but a newborn and need thy tender care.

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Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will 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 the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People P: Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

Sharing God's Peace

Offertory

Offertory Hymn

"Create in Me a Clean Heart"

ELW #186

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.

Offertory Prayer

P: Let us pray,

C: Jesus, you are the bread of life and the host of this meal. Bless these gifts that we have gathered that all people may know your goodness. Feed us not only with this holy food but with hunger for justice and peace. We pray this in your name. Amen.

Holy Communion

Today we celebrate Holy Communion: If you are a guest, please know you are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Jesus said that the body and blood are given "for you and for all people." For gluten-free wafers, ask the pastors. If you desire to commune while seated, please sit near an aisle and let an usher know. We will bring communion to you. Children not yet communing are invited forward to receive a blessing. If you would like to have grape juice instead of wine, please hold up your index finger when you reach a communion server.

P: The Lord be with you, C: And also with you.

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

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

Words of Institution

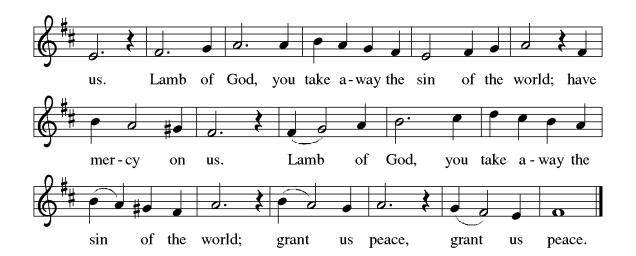
The Lord's Prayer (traditional)

C: 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Lamb of God



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



Communion Hymn

"I Want Jesus to Walk with Me"

ELW #325

- 1 I want Jesus to walk with me; I want Jesus to walk with me; all along my pilgrim journey, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.
- 2 In my trials, Lord, walk with me; in my trials, Lord, walk with me; when my heart is almost breaking, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.
- 3 When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me; when I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me; when my head is bowed in sorrow, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

Text: African American spiritual

Communion Hymn

"One Bread, One Body"

ELW #496

Refrain

One bread, one body, one Lord of all; one cup of blessing which we bless, and we, though many throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

- Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man, no more. Refrain
- 2 Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all. *Refrain*
- 3 Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, gathered to one for all. *Refrain*

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Communion Blessing and Prayer

Benediction

Sending Hymn

"A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

ELW #504 vs 1,2&4

- A mighty fortress is our God, a sword and shield victorious; he breaks the cruel oppressor's rod and wins salvation glorious. The old satanic foe has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dreadful might he arms himself to fight. On earth he has no equal.
- 2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, rejected. But now a champion comes to fight, whom God himself elected. You ask who this may be? The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Jesus, mighty Lord, God's only Son, adored. He holds the field victorious.

4 God's Word forever shall abide, no thanks to foes, who fear it; for God himself fights by our side with weapons of the Spirit. Were they to take our house, goods, honor, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched away, they cannot win the day. The kingdom's ours forever!

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Dismissal

P: Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

In Our Prayers This Week:

Rich Baumann, Audrey Broste, Russ Brown, Eloise Finstad, Dixie Flitter,
Marj Frederickson, Brenda Gruenhagen, Brad Haynes, Marilyn Hudson, Sharon Hulke,
Ken Johnson, Lyndon Jones, Mavis Jones, Dave Marsh, Treacy Meyer, George Putnam,
Karyl Putnam, Verne Radloff, Pam Riebe, Sharon Riser, Gabrielle Rolloff, JoAnn Saffert,
Marge Schmidt



Join our ministry teams each Wednesday of Lent from 5:00 PM – 6:15 PM for a great meal!

February 21st	WELCA Deacons Ministry	BBQs and Chips		
February 28 th	Children's Ministry	Pizza		
March 6 th	Adult Ministry Facilities & Grounds	Chili and Chicken Noodle Soup		
March 13 th	Church Council	TBD		
March 20 th	Youth Ministry Mission Ministry	' Spaghetti		
March 27 th	No Meal – Holy Week			

Midweek Lenten Worship - Making Change Wednesdays at 6:30PM

Change is a constant in our lives and a difficult problem to navigate. Whether it is change in work, health, stage of life, plans, or something else, our faith will be the best guide through all storms and shifts. Gather on Wednesday Evenings to sing Holden Evening Prayer (a peaceful time for meditation and reflection) and hear about the promises that God makes to us, being with us through all that life throws our way.



Senior Pastor: Kathleen Ulland-Klinkner

Education Ministries Coordinator: Lindsay Medina Office Administrator: Jen Geiger

Business Administrator: Lois Aufderheide **Director of Music Ministries:** Tom Maidl

Associate Pastor: Dave Nissen
Office Administrator: Jen Geiger
Facilities Manager: Scott Kathman
Handbell Director: Sarah Berger

Pianist: Jody Braulick **A/V:** Tom Kaehler **Deacon:** (8:30) Jenny Krosch (10:30) Linda Postel

Acolytes: (8:30) Kylie Domeier, Teegan Schmiesing

(10:30) Nevaeh Brown, Lili Waloch

Communion Server: (8:30) Marlys Zetah (10:30) Marlene Ingebritson

Lector: (8:30) Heidi Wilker (10:30) Deb Kaehler

Ushers: (8:30) (10:30) **P/P:** (8:30) Dyan Miller (10:30)

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	Weekly Offering		YTD Offering		YTD Budget	
2/11 General Offering	\$	5,549.75	\$	55,326.37	\$	61,502.64
2/11 Building Fund	\$	2,470.00	\$	11,084.00	\$	6,346.14
TOTAL:	\$	8,019.75	\$	66,410.37	\$	67,848.78
2/11 World Hunger	\$	0.00	\$	1,530.00		

ATTENDANCE	8:30AM Sun.	10:30AM Sun.	12:00PM Wed.	6:30PM Wed.
2/11/24	133	131	35	86