Peace Lutheran Church

"Peace Through Christ"

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FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 19, 2023

As We Gather With the granting of sight to a man born blind, today our Lenten journey teaches us that forgiveness, salvation, and eternal life make a difference in our lives as great as night and day, sunshine and darkness. It is no less a miracle that Christ gives once spiritually blind sinners the vision of His glory and truth. By the miracle of faith in Jesus we not only see light but even become light, reflecting the light of the love and salvation that are in Jesus Christ. We are called to bring that liberating light to others by our testimony and confession of the great grace God has for all people in Christ. Attention Visitors We celebrate the sacrament of Holy Communion this morning. This holy meal is intended for Christians who acknowledge their need of God's forgiveness in their lives. The Bible teaches that Christ's body and blood are received with the elements of bread and wine and that Christians need to examine themselves before receiving this holy meal. (1Cor. 10 & 11). This meal further expresses a unity of faith as we gather at one table to receive the assurance of God's forgiveness through the body and blood of our Lord in the sacrament. We welcome baptized Christians to commune with us, those who believe and confess this same faith and understanding of the sacrament and of the Christian life. Persons who desire to receive grape juice select from the darker glasses. If you have any further questions concerning the sacrament, please ask to speak to the Pastor.

<u>Hearing aids and large print bulletins are available.</u> If you would like a hearing aid or large print bulletin please see an usher.

A special welcome to those with young children. If needed, a cry room is located near the church entryway complete with a window and sound so you may fully participate in worship. If you need guidance please see an usher.



Remember in your Prayers:

HEALTH AND HEALING: Ashley (Sandi Stepp's niece), Brandee Brand, Brian Derozer, Bruce Fraser, Beverly Gandy, Helen (friend of Carol Yung), Damon Hermann (friend of Greg Olewiler), John Hollenbeck (friend of Eunice Harter), Vicki Hutter, Karen Johnson, Susan Klein, Mrs. Mai, (friend of Greg Olewiler), Carol Marker, Ryan Scott Morrison, Ann Marie Ramirez (friend of Carol Yung), Mike Reuter, Tim Schmidt, Don Schultz, David Stafford, Leslie Stenke, Ashley Stephen, Lara Tate, Bev Toro, Dusty Urban, Sandy Williamson, Lisa (Cassidy) Wright, Carol Yung and Ele Zorkocy.

Pray for all military men, women and their families: Jared Bautista, Jacob Chiles, Andrew Geib, Daniel Gross, Michael Hanson, Brian Miller, Kevin Schleicher, Stephen Volpei, Lucas Wentland, Henry Andermann and Avery Chapman.

THOSE WHO SERVE US TODAY MARCH 19, 2023

<u>9:00</u> <u>11:00</u>

Elder: Bob Hutchison Dave Hutter

Greeters: Carol Yung

Readers: Toni Radle Richard Bongiorno

Acolyte: Michelle Ullerick

Ushers: Gary Taylor

Karen Taylor Bill Young

Altar Care: Linda Young Rachael Ylizaliturri and

Jane Morici

Cookie & Coffee Service: S. McCracken, L. Pommers, S. Frasier, J. Morici

Organist: Karen Foote

Choir Accompanist: Sandy Haven **Choir Director:** Linda La Jeunesse

THOSE WHO SERVE US NEXT WEEK MARCH 26, 2023

<u>9:00</u> <u>11:00</u>

Elder: Bob Hutchison Dave Hutter

Greeters: Charlo Stuart

Readers: Steve Herman Richard Bongiorno

Acolyte: Shane Muller Ushers: Scott Klittich

Steve Rusch

Altar Care: Linda Young Rachael Ylizaliturri and

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RINGING OF THE BELL

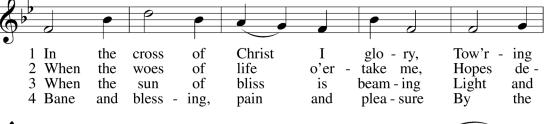
PRELUDE

WELCOME

+ PREPARATION +

OPENING HYMN

"In the Cross of Christ I Glory"







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INVOCATION and OPENING SENTENCES

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the

Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: With my voice I cry out to the LORD;

People: with my voice I plead for mercy to the LORD.

Pastor: I pour out my complaint before Him;

People: I tell my trouble before Him.

Pastor: With You is the fountain of life;

People: in Your light do we see light. Psalm 142:1-2; 36:9

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Having gathered to hear God's Word and receive the light of salvation and wisdom, we must first confess that, on our own, we take part in the unfruitful works of darkness because of our sins. Apart from Christ we are blind to both God's wrath and His mercy and grace for sinners. Come near to Him now so that He may have mercy on us and give us the light of His forgiveness and

life.

(Silence for reflection and self-examination.)

Pastor: Merciful Father,

People: Out of the darkness of our sin and our weariness we call to You, O Lord. For we desire to see the light of Your grace and receive the enlightenment of Your truth. We plead for the forgiveness of our sin and lift our eyes to see Your salvation for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Pastor: "The LORD opens the eyes of the blind. The LORD lifts

up those who are bowed down." *Psalm 146:8* God hears the confession of a repentant heart. In Christ, and for His sake, all your sins have been

forgiven, in the name of the Father and of the + Son and

of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

<u>Altar Flowers:</u> Given to the glory of God by The McCracken's in celebration of their anniversary.

Attendance on 3/12/23: 9:00 am— 11:00 am— Total—

Sunday School -

THIS WEEK AT PEACE March 19, 2023

Today: 9:00 am Traditional Communion Service

9:20 am Sunday School

10:20 am Adult Bible Study (Sanctuary)

11:00 am Praise Service (FH)

1:30 pm New Life Christian Fellowship

4:00 pm Boy Scouts (FH)

Monday: Office Closed

Tuesday: 10:00 am Ladies Bible Study (Proverbs House)

7:00pm Council Meeting

Wednesday: 10:00 am Luther's Attic Volunteers

6:30 pm A.C.A. Women's Support Group

6:00 pm Lenten Soup Supper

7:00 pm Lenten Service

Thursday: 9:30 am Thursday Morning Bible Study

10:00 am Lifelight Bible Study

5:45 pm Handbell Choir rehearsal

6:00 pm Girl Scouts (FH)

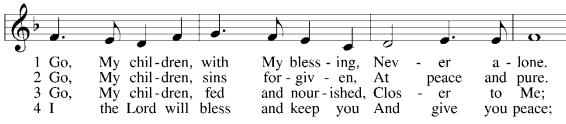
7:00 pm Adult Choir rehearsal

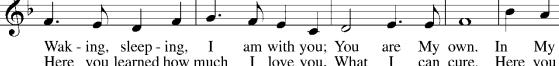
Friday: 6:00 pm Confirmation

Saturday: ++++++++

CLOSING HYMN

"Go, My Children, with My Blessing"

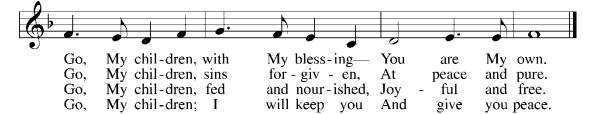




Here you learned how much Grow in love and love by serv-ing, Joy - ful and free. Here My I the Lord will smile up - on you And give you peace: I the



love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you Mine for - ev - er. heard My dear Son's sto - ry; Here you touched Him, saw His glo - ry. Spir - it's pow - er filled you; Here His ten - der com - fort stilled you. Lord will be your Fa - ther, Sav - ior, Com - fort - er, and Broth - er.



HYMN

"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God. now and forever.

People: Amen.

+THE WORD OF GOD+

(After the Reading)

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING Ephesians 5:8-14

(Walking in the light.)

(After the Reading)

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

CHOIR

"Just As I Am"



POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

Pastor: Let us pray.

O God, the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enable constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord

make His face shine on you and be gracious unto You. The Lord look upon You with favor

and + give you His peace.

People: Amen.

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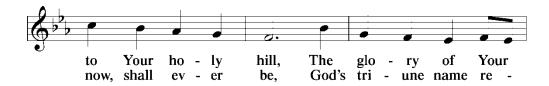
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Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 9th chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

(After the Gospel is read)

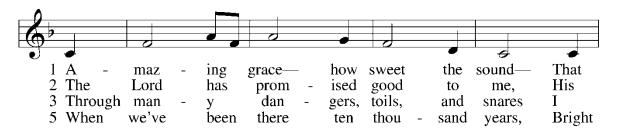
Pastor: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

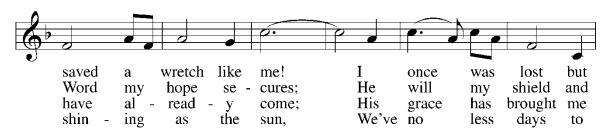
People: Praise to You O Christ

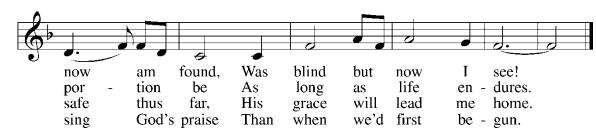
(Children are dismissed for Sunday School)

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Amazing Grace"







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MESSAGE

Pastor Mike Schultze

CONFESSION OF FAITH (NICENE CREED)

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us, under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried.

And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen

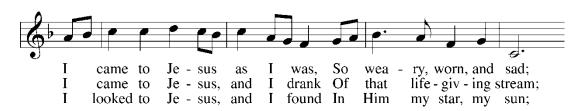
"I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"



- 1 I heard the voice of Je sus say, "Come un to Me and rest;
- 2 I heard the voice of Je sus say, "Be hold, I free ly give
- 3 I heard the voice of Je sus say, "I am this dark world's light.



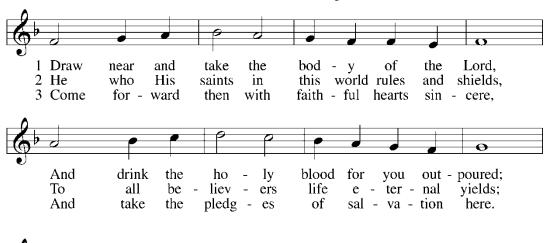
Lay down, thou wea - ry one, lay down Thy head up - on My breast." The liv - ing wa - ter; thirst - y one, Stoop down and drink and live." Look un - to Me; thy morn shall rise And all thy day be bright."

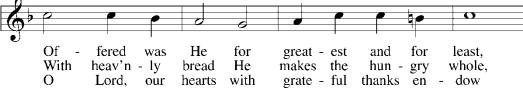


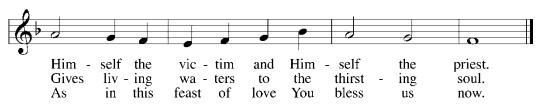


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"Draw Near and Take The Body of The Lord"







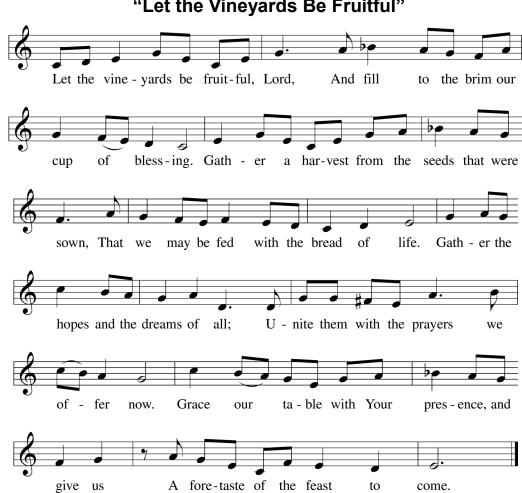
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OFFERING

(Please sign and fill out the fellowship book and pass it down your pew. When finished, pass it back down your pew to the center aisle seat and the ushers will pick it up after the service.)

VOLUNTARY OFFERTORY

"Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful"



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PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

+ SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION +

PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at

all times and in all places give thanks to You,

O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

"Renew Me, O Eternal Light"

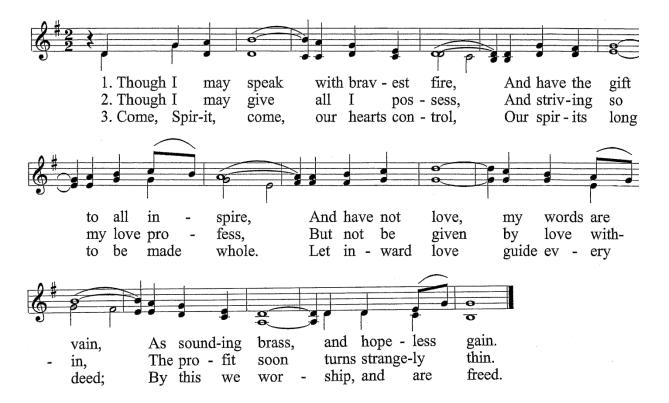




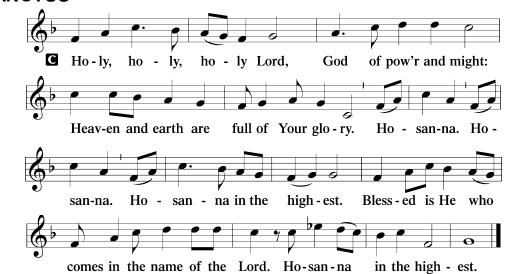


HYMNS DURING DISTRIBUTION

"The Gift of Love"



SANCTUS



THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

All: 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night He was betrayed,

took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples and said: Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me. In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: Drink of it, all of you; this is My + blood of the new testament, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.

PEACE OF THE LORD

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: And also with you.



AGNUS DEI





(Please be seated)

