

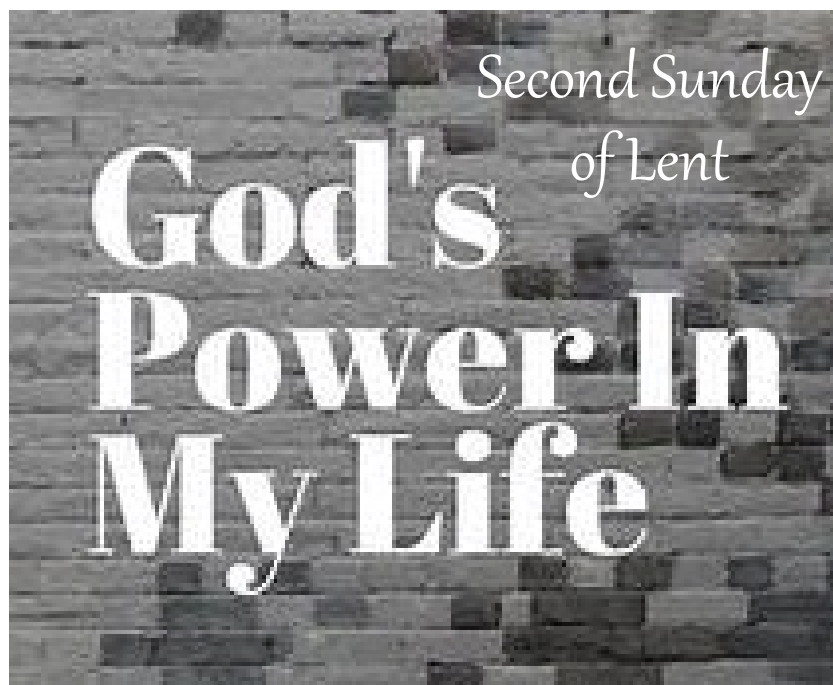
Our

Savior



# Lutheran Church

SERVICE OF THE WORD - 16 March 2025



## **THE GATHERING**

Welcome, Announcements, Prayer Requests  
{ALL congregational responses in worship are in Bold/Italics}

## **RITE OF FRIENDSHIP**

The peace of the Lord be with you always....  
And also with you...

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

The Earth is the Lord's and all that is in it - the World  
and those who live in it. Praise the Lord.  
The Lord's Name be praised.

Let us pray...

All Mighty, All Powerful, All Sovereign God; we give You praise for being the light of the hearts that see You, the life of the souls that love You, the strength of the thoughts that seek You. We know that to turn away from You is to fall, and that to turn towards You makes us to rise, and to abide in You enables us to stand fast forever. Although we are aware that we are unworthy to approach You, or to ask anything at all of You, still we turn to You and ask - hoping always in You - that You grant us Your grace and blessing; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Alleluia and Amen.

## **HYMN**

"Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

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## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Let us pray... Eternal God, our Judge and Redeemer, we confess to You all that we have tried to hide from You - for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves and apart from You. We have turned from our neighbors and refused to help bear the burdens of others. We have ignored the pain of the world and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. There are many things that we have done wrong and yet do not remember and we ask Your pardon even for those 'hidden sins', Forgive our sins in your great mercy and free us from selfishness, that we may freely choose your will and obey Your commandments; this we pray through Jesus Christ our Savior. AMEN

## **ABSOLUTION/ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Hear the **Good News!** The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. He Himself bore our sins in His body on the Cross, that we might be dead to sin and alive to all that is good. I declare to

you, that when you confess your sins in the name of Jesus Christ, you will be forgiven. Alleluia and Amen.

# Holy Scripture

## **RESPONSIVE PSALM** - Psalm 68. 1-4, 32-35 [NRSV]

Let God rise up, let His enemies be scattered;

Let those who hate Him flee before Him.

As smoke is driven away, so drive them away; as wax Melts before the fire,

Let the wicked perish before God.

But let the righteous be joyful; let them exult before God;

Let them be jubilant with joy.

Sing to God, sing praises to His Name;

lift up a song to Him who rides upon the clouds;

His Name is the Lord; be exultant before Him...

Sing to God, O kingdoms of the Earth; sing praises to the Lord,

O Rider in the heavens, the ancient heavens;

Listen, He sends out His voice, His mighty voice.

Ascribe power to God, Whose majesty is over Israel; Whose power is in the skies.

Awesome is God in His sanctuary, the God of Israel; He gives power and

Strength to His people. Blessed be God!

## **EPISTLE LESSON** - 1 Corinthians 1.17-25 [NRSV]

For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the Gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the Cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power, for the message about the Cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." Where is the one who is wise? Where is the Scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? Since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ [is] the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

## **GOSPEL LESSON** - Luke 21.9, 25-28 [NRSV]

"When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes and in various places famines and plagues; there will be dreadful portents and great signs from Heaven...There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the Earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

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This is the Word of the Lord  
Thanks be to God

### **SERMON**

"All-Omnipotent"

Pastor Larry

### **HYMN**

"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

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## **CONFESSION OF FAITH** - The Nicene Creed

I believe in One God, the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and Earth, of all things visible and invisible; and in One Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the 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 our salvation, came down from Heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made Man; [He] was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered, died and was buried; the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into Heaven and sits on the right hand of the Father; He shall come again with Glory, to judge the living and the dead; Whose Kingdom shall have no end. 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 is worshipped and glorified; Who spoke by the Prophets. I believe in one Holy, Christian, and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. AMEN

## **THE OFFERING, DOXOLOGY, OFFERTORY PRAYER**

# The Eucharist

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

It is truly right and our greatest joy to give You thanks and praise, O Lord our God, Creator and Ruler of the Universe. You made all things in Your wisdom and sustain them by Your power. You formed us in Your image, setting us in this world to love and serve You, living in peace with Your whole Creation; when we rebelled against You by refusing to trust and obey You, You did not reject us, but still claimed us as Your own. You sent prophets to call us back to Your way and one day we will join with them in the eternal chorus, lifting our voices, singing with them our joyful hymn of praise:

Holy! Holy! Holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning,

Our song shall rise to Thee!

Holy! Holy! Holy! Merciful and Mighty!

God in Three Persons, Blessed Trinity!

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

and the

## **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

## **THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

and

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Let us pray...

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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the Kingdom, and the Power, and the Glory, forever and forever. AMEN. Lord in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

# **DISTRIBUTION & COMMUNION BLESSING**

## **HYMN**

"Standing on the Promises"

#430

## **THE AARONIC BLESSING**

### **LET THERE BE PEACE ON EARTH**

Let there be peace on Earth and let it begin with me;  
Let there be peace on Earth, peace that was meant to be;  
With God as our Father, brothers all are we;  
Let me walk with my brothers in perfect harmony!

Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now;  
With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow;  
To take each moment  
and live each moment in peace eternally!  
Let there be peace on Earth and let it begin with me!

## **THE DISMISSAL**

Go in Peace! Serve the Lord!  
Thanks be to God!

## **IN OUR PRAYERS**

Please write down any prayer requests  
and give them to Pastor Larry.

## **SERVING TODAY**

Reader	Steve Benz
Offering	Bob Burchard
Communion	Fran Thibideau
	Dot Smith

## **CHURCH COUNCIL**

President	Dot Smith
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**Sunday Worship:** 10:00am  
**Bible Study Wednesday:** Cancelled this week

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