

Our Savior Lutheran Church



Third Sunday
in Lent

SERVICE OF THE WORD - 23 March 2025

THE GATHERING

Welcome, Announcements, Prayer Requests
{Congregational responses 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...Eternal God, Your Kingdom has broken into our troubled world through the life, death, and resurrection of Your Son. Help us to hear Your Word and obey it, that we may become instruments of Your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever; Amen.

HYMN

"Come, Thou Font Of Every Blessing"

#013

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Let us pray...Almighty God You alone are good and holy. We have sinned against You and our fellows in thought, word and deed; for all these we repent. We ask that You purify our lives and make us brave disciples, not to keep us safe, but to keep us loyal, so we may serve and emulate Jesus the Christ, Who, tempted in every way as we are, was faithful to You. God, deliver us from cowardice that dares not face truth, laziness content with half-truth, arrogance and artificial life and worship - all that is hollow or insincere; forgive us and make us fit for Your Kingdom. This we ask in Jesus' Name. AMEN

ABSOLUTION/ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The **Good News** of Christ Jesus! He came to save sinners! He bore our sins on the Cross! He made us dead to sin and alive to all that is good! Therefore, I assure you, if you confess your sins to God in Jesus' name, you are forgiven. Alleluia and Amen.

Holy Scripture

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON - Exodus 3.1-8a, 10-15 [NRSV]

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight and see why the bush is not burned up." When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then He said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I AM the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob" and Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. Then the LORD said, "I have observed the misery of My people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey...So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring My people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain." But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I AM who I AM." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I AM has sent me to you.'" God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The LORD, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you: This is My Name forever and this [is] My memorial to all generations.

RESPONSIVE PSALM - 103.1-11 [NLT]

Let all that I am praise the LORD;
with my whole heart, I will praise His holy Name.

Let all that I am praise the LORD;
may I never forget the good things He does for me.
He forgives all my sins and heals all my diseases.
He redeems me from death and crowns me
with love and tender mercies.
He fills my life with good things [and] my youth
is renewed like the eagle's!

The LORD gives righteousness
and justice to all who are treated unfairly.

He revealed His character to Moses
and His deeds to the people of Israel.

The LORD is compassionate and merciful,
slow to get angry and filled with unfailing love.
He will not constantly accuse us, nor remain angry forever.
He does not punish us for all our sins;

He does not deal harshly with us as we deserve;
His unfailing love toward those who fear Him
is great as the height of the heavens above the Earth.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON - 1 Corinthians 6.1-12 [NRSV]

I don't want you to forget, dear brothers and sisters, about our ancestors in the wilderness long ago. All of them were guided by a cloud that moved ahead of them and all of them walked through the sea on dry ground. In the cloud and in the sea, all of them were baptized as followers of Moses. All of them ate the same spiritual food and all of them drank the same spiritual water for they drank from the spiritual rock that traveled with them, and that rock was Christ. Yet God was not pleased with most of them, and their bodies were scattered in the wilderness. These things happened as a warning to us, so that we would not crave evil things as they did, or worship idols as some of them did; as

the Scriptures say, "The people celebrated with feasting and drinking and they indulged in pagan revelry". We must not engage in sexual immorality as some of them did, causing 23,000 of them to die in one day, nor should we put Christ to the test, as some of them did and then died from snakebites. Don't grumble as some of them did, and then were destroyed by the angel of death. These things happened to them as examples for us. They were written down to warn us who live at the end of the age.

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

SERMON "Burn It Up - Or Burn It Down" Pastor Larry

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

HYMN

"Let Us Break Bread Together"

#330

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!

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 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" #413

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
Offering
Communion

Dean Carson
Bob Burchard
Fran Thibideau
Dot Smith

CHURCH COUNCIL - - - meets every 2nd Sunday

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Sunday Worship:	10.00am
Thursday Bible Study:	10.00am

UPCOMING EVENTS

Palm Sunday/Pastor Installation:	{13 April 2025}	10.00am
Maundy Thursday Service:	{17 April 2025}	7.00pm
Good Friday Service:	{18 April 2025}	12.00pm
Easter Sunday Service:	{20 April 2025}	10.00am

FUTURE EVENTS:

Church "All-Around" Workday:	Date/Time TBD
"Service in the Park" for Memorial Day:	Date/Time TBD

Please place your cell phones on mute during worship...thank you.