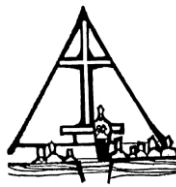


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THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

March 19, 2017

Evangelical Lutheran Worship Book

We encourage worshippers to use the time in the sanctuary before the liturgy begins for silent meditation and prayer. The entire assembly will read the Gospel together; pew Bibles can be found in front of you, children's Bibles and large print lessons are available from the ushers. Prayer for healing and anointing with oil is offered in the narthex during Holy Communion. Any worshipper wishing to receive these gifts may proceed there after receiving the host and the cup, and before returning to the pew.

Bold Print – indicates congregation responds as a whole

* – indicates congregation should stand as able

PRELUDE *Beneath the Cross of Jesus* Mark Hayes

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS** p. 94 (red tab)

***OPENING HYMN** *Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross* ELW # 335

***GREETING** p. 138

***KYRIE/HYMN OF PRAISE** *Your Heart, O God, Is Grieved* ELW # 602

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Merciful God, the fountain of living water, you quench our thirst and wash away our sin. Give us this water always. Bring us to drink from the well that flows with the beauty of your truth through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST LESSON Exodus 17:1-7 O.T. p. 64

PSALM – Psalm 95

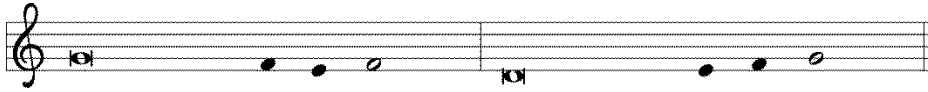
Cantor sings refrain (R). The congregation then repeats the refrain.

Congregation on pulpit side sings odd numbered verses with Cantor

*Congregation on lectern side sings even numbered **bold verses** with second Cantor.*



Let us shout for joy to the rock of our sal - va - tion.



Come, let us sing | to the LORD;

let us shout for joy to the rock of | our salvation.

**²Let us come before God's presence | with thanksgiving
and raise a loud shout to the | LORD with psalms.**

³For you, LORD, | are a great God,
and a great ruler a- | bove all gods.

**⁴In your hand are the caverns | of the earth;
the heights of the hills are | also yours.**

⁵The sea is yours, | for you made it,
and your hands have molded | the dry land.

**⁶Come, let us worship | and bow down,
let us kneel before the | LORD our maker. R**

⁷For the LORD is our God, and we are the people of God's pasture and the sheep | of God's hand.
Oh, that today you would | hear God's voice!

**⁸"Harden | not your hearts,
as at Meribah, as on that day at Massah | in the desert.**

⁹There your ancestors | tested me,
they put me to the test, though they had | seen my works.

**¹⁰Forty years I loathed that gener- | ation, saying,
'The heart of this people goes astray; they do not | know my ways.'**

¹¹Indeed I swore | in my anger,
"They shall never come | to my rest." R

SECOND LESSON Romans 5:1-11

N.T. p. 155

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *Return to the Lord*

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***GOSPEL**

*** (P)** The Holy Gospel according to John 4:5-42

N.T. p. 95

*** (C)** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*** (P)** The Gospel of our Lord.

*** (C)** **Praise to you, O Christ.**

THE SERMON

*HYMN OF THE DAY *Son of God, Eternal Savior* ELW # 655

*APOSTLES' CREED p. 127 (blue tab)

*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*SHARING THE PEACE OF THE LORD

OFFERING *Ah, Jesus Lord, Thy Love to Me* arr. David N. Johnson

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE *Let the Vineyards* ELW # 184

*OFFERING PRAYER p. 107

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

*WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*THE LORD'S PRAYER p. 145

DISTRIBUTION

To make the distribution of the Lord's Supper as easy as possible, we ask that people who wish to commune and who use a wheelchair or walker come to the front first to receive the Sacrament.

LAMB OF GOD

Seed That in Earth Is Dying p. 146
ELW # 330
Where Charity and Love Prevail ELW # 359
Son of God, Eternal Savior ELW # 655
Beautiful Savior ELW # 838

*POST COMMUNION PRAYER

*BENEDICTION p. 146

*CLOSING HYMN *O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts* ELW # 658

*DISMISSAL p. 146

In observance of Lent, there will be no postludes during this season.

To Our Guests and Visitors Today: Every baptized believer who is of age is invited to receive the Lord's Supper as we worship. The invitation is extended to each of us by the Lord himself, because he is the host of the meal. We also believe that he is the meal; that is that "in, with, and under" the bread and wine we do receive the body and blood of Christ, given and shed for us for the forgiveness of sins. Please follow the directions of the ushers if you wish to commune. Children under the age of ten are invited to receive a Word of blessing. ***Worshippers unable to commune at the front of the church...Please register with an usher and a lay minister will bring the Supper to you in your pew.***

THIS WEEK AT CROSS

- Sunday, March 199:30am Worship Service
10:45am Sunday School Classes
11:00am Adult Education – *My Calling – Dawn Mizinski*
12:30pm – 4:00pm Dwelling Place of God End Time Church
3:00pm 7th Day Adventist
- Monday, March 206:30pm Board of Education Meeting
- Wednesday, March 225:45pm Soup Supper
6:45pm Ash Wednesday Worship Service
7:30pm Choir Rehearsal
- Thursday, March 236:30pm Worship Service at The Shores of Lake Phalen
7:00pm 7th Day Adventists Prayer Group
- Saturday, March 259:30am 7th Day Adventists
- Sunday, March 269:30am Worship Service
10:45am Sunday School Classes
11:00am Adult Education – *My Calling – Trevor Tolly*
12:30pm – 4:00pm Dwelling Place of God End Time Church

Today you will find in the bulletin a table prayer. We know that our Lord is the source of all blessings, and that it is most fitting for us to give thanks before we eat. Some people always pray the same prayer. Others prefer to pray different prayers – some don't pray at all. A different prayer will be included each month to help us all in this daily devotion.



Table Prayer:

Thy way, not mine, O Lord, however dark it be; Lead me by thine own hand, choose out the path for me. Amen.

Stewardship Verse
Mark 12:43-44



Then he called his disciples and said to them, “Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.”



Be a good steward of the earth; if you aren't taking your bulletin home, please drop it in the recycling bin in the narthex. Thank you!

