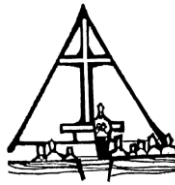


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Cross Lutheran Church

THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

March 5, 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

Jesus Paid It All

John T. Grape

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

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***OPENING HYMN**

O Lord, throughout These Forty Days

ELW # 319

***GREETING**

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***KYRIE/HYMN OF PRAISE**

Your Heart, O God, Is Grieved

ELW # 602

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Lord God, our strength, the struggle between good and evil rages within and around us, and the devil and all the forces that defy you tempt us with empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your word, and when we fall, raise us again and restore us through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST LESSON Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

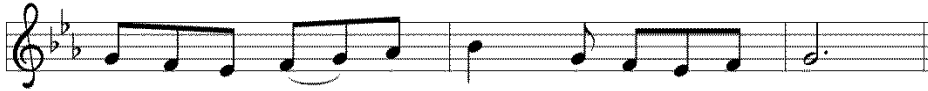
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PSALM – Psalm 32

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.*



Mer-cy em - brac - es those who trust in the Lord.



Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven,
and whose sin is put away!

**²Happy are they to whom the LORD im- putes no guilt,
and in whose spirit there is no guile!**

³While I held my tongue, my bones with- ered away,
because of my groaning all day long.

**⁴For your hand was heavy upon me day and night;
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer. R**

⁵Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not con- ceal my guilt.
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD."
Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.

**⁶Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble;
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.**

⁷You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with shouts of deliverance. R

**⁸"I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go;
I will guide you with my eye.**

⁹Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding;
who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you."

**¹⁰Great are the tribulations of the wicked;
but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.**

¹¹Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD;
shout for joy, all who are true of heart. R

SECOND LESSON Romans 5:12-19

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*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Return to the Lord

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*GOSPEL

* (P) The Holy Gospel according to Matthew 4:1-11

N.T. p. 3

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

* (P) The Gospel of our Lord.

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

THE SERMON

***HYMN OF THE DAY** *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* ELW # 504

***APOSTLES' CREED** p. 127 (blue tab)

***PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

***SHARING THE PEACE OF THE LORD**

OFFERING *My Master Was So Very Poor* Ronald A. Nelson

***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.

Offertoire (Flute solo) A. Dojön

Now the Silence ELW # 460

What Wondrous Love Is This ELW # 666

O Master, Let Me Walk with You ELW # 818

Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service ELW # 712

***POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

***BENEDICTION** p. 146

***CLOSING HYMN** *Eternal Lord of Love, Behold Your Church* ELW # 321

***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 59:30am Worship Service
10:45am Sunday School Classes
11:00am Adult Education – *My Calling – Katie Erickson*
11:00am Worship Service at The Homestead of Maplewood
12:30pm – 4:00pm Dwelling Place of God End Time Church
- Monday, March 67:00pm Board of Lay Ministry Meeting
- Wednesday, March 85:45pm Soup Supper
6:45pm Ash Wednesday Worship Service
7:30pm Choir Rehearsal
- Thursday, March 93:00pm Bible Study at The Shores of Lake Phalen
5:30pm Serve at the Family Service Center
6:30pm Worship Service at The Shores of Lake Phalen
7:00pm 7th Day Adventists Prayer Group
- Friday, March 107:00pm – 9:00pm 7th Day Adventists Special Meeting
- Saturday, March 119:30am 7th Day Adventists
TURN CLOCKS AHEAD 1 HOUR
- Sunday, March 129:30am Worship Service
10:45am Sunday School Classes
11:00am Adult Education
12:00PM Board of Church Properties Meeting
12:30pm – 4:00pm Dwelling Place of God End Time Church
6:30pm Book Club

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!

