

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT (DIVINE SERVICE 3)

MARCH 23, 2025
8:00 AND 11:00

WELCOME GUESTS If you're looking for a church home, we hope you'll consider Redeemer. If you're visiting with us for the first time, we'd like to present you with a coffee mug. Check out the faith-strengthening resources on the information cart, the library in the narthex, or www.redeemer-lutheran.net. If you have questions about this congregation or about the Lutheran Church, feel free to ask an usher or the Pastor. Please fill out a fellowship card (found in the pew racks) and drop it in today's collection plate, providing a phone number and e-mail address so that we may serve you better. For prayer request, please fill out a blue "Prayer Card" found in the narthex or the pews. Large print versions of this bulletin are available upon request at the Ushers' station. Thank you for worshipping with us.

PRAYER UPON ENTERING

My Lord and Savior, my only High Priest, how merciful You are! You have fulfilled the burdensome Law for me. You have sacrificed Yourself for me. You did at all times intercede for me. In You, and You alone, will I trust. You will do it, You will save me. Amen.

MEDITATION David in the Psalm declared, *The zeal of Thine house hath eaten me up*, but now One greater than David demonstrates His holy zeal for the temple, driving out the money changers. The temple is the place of atonement for sin, but the buying and selling of oxen, sheep, and doves will provide no offering sufficient to atone for sin; therefore these things must all be driven out of the temple, as well as all other insufficient payments, such as works of the law or self-sacrifices of love. These must all be driven out in order that the one true Sacrifice, which is Christ, alone remains. So we must also recognize that He Himself is not only the greater sacrifice, but that He is One greater than the temple. For although His body, which is the true temple, was ruined on the cross, He raised it up on the third day - Easter. Christ alone is our Redeemer and Temple. True worship must be *in His name*, that is, with the knowledge that we enter the true temple by Baptism in His name and by the faith which Baptism gives.

- Burnell F. Eckhardt, Jr., *Every Day Will I Bless Thee*, pg. 193.

PRELUDE

OPENING VERSE

Pastor: This is the day the Lord has made.

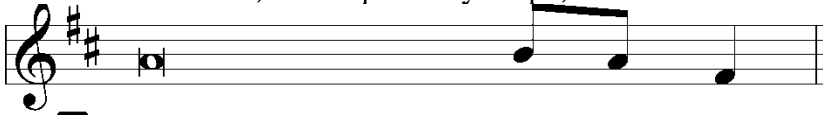
Cong.: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

(Psalm 118:24)

✠ PREPARATION ✠



L O Lord, o - pen my lips,



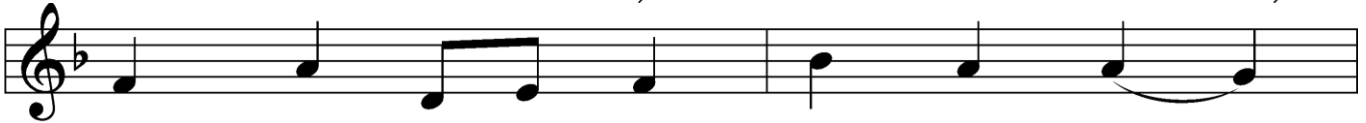
C and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.

HYMN

“Cross of Jesus, Cross of Sorrow” [LSB 428]



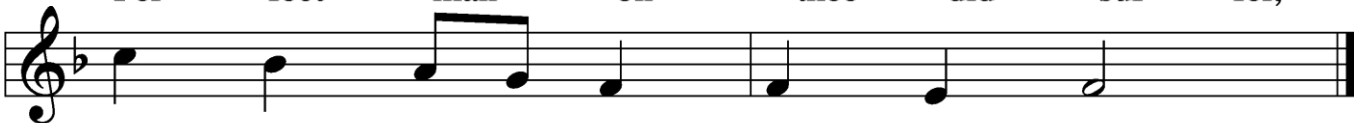
1 Cross of Je - sus, cross of sor - row,
 2 Here the King of all the a - ges,
 3 O mys - te - rious con - de - scend - ing!
 4 Cross of Je - sus, cross of sor - row,



Where the blood of Christ was shed,
 Throned in light ere worlds could be,
 O a - ban - don - ment sub - lime!
 Where the blood of Christ was shed,



Per - fect man on thee did suf - fer,
 Robed in mor - tal flesh is dy - ing,
 Ver - y God Him - self is bear - ing
 Per - fect man on thee did suf - fer,



Per - fect God on thee has bled!
 Cru - ci - fied by sin for me.
 All the suf - fer - ings of time!
 Per - fect God on thee has bled!

Stand

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Cong.: Amen.

(Matthew 28:19b)

Pastor: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

(Hebrews 10:22)

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

Cong.: who made heaven and earth.

(Psalm 124:8)

Pastor: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

Cong.: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

(Psalm 32:5)

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination

Pastor: O almighty God, merciful Father,

Cong.: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Pastor: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Cong.: Amen.

(John 20:19-23)

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

INTROIT

(Psalm 5:4-8; *antiphon*: Psalm 1:6)

Pastor: For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish. For you are not a God who delights in wickedness; evil may not dwell with you.

Cong.: The boastful shall not stand before your eyes; you hate all evildoers.

Pastor: You destroy those who speak lies; the LORD abhors the bloodthirsty and deceitful man.

Cong.: But I, through the abundance of your steadfast love, will enter your house. I will bow down toward your holy temple in the fear of you.

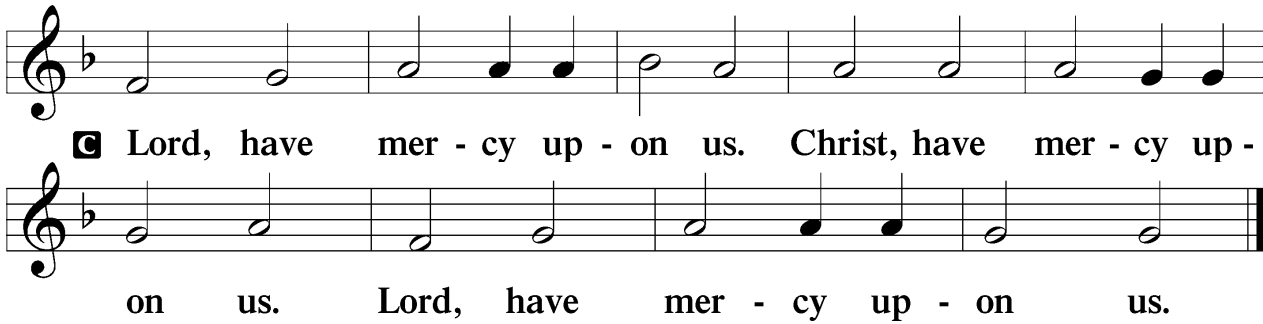
Pastor: Lead me, O LORD, in your righteousness because of my enemies; make your way straight before me.

All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Pastor: For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

KYRIE

(Mark 10:47)



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

SALUTATION

(2 Timothy 4:22)

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Cong.: And with your spirit.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Cong.: Amen.

Sit

READINGS FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE

Elder: The Lord be with you.

Cong.: And also with you.

Old Testament Reading (page 721 in the pew Bibles)

Ezekiel 33:7-20

“So you, son of man, I have made a watchman for the house of Israel. Whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. If I say to the wicked, O wicked one, you shall surely die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from his way, that wicked person shall die in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, that person shall die in his iniquity, but you will have delivered your soul.

“And you, son of man, say to the house of Israel, Thus have you said: ‘Surely our transgressions and our sins are upon us, and we rot away because of them. How then can we live?’ Say to them, As I live, declares the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways, for why will you die, O house of Israel?

“And you, son of man, say to your people, The righteousness of the righteous shall not deliver him when he transgresses, and as for the wickedness of the wicked, he shall not fall by it when he turns from his wickedness, and the righteous shall not be able to live by his righteousness when he sins.

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Though I say to the righteous that he shall surely live, yet if he trusts in his righteousness and does injustice, none of his righteous deeds shall be remembered, but in his injustice that he has done he shall die. Again, though I say to the wicked, ‘You shall surely die,’ yet if he turns from his sin and does what is just and right, if the wicked restores the pledge, gives back what he has taken by robbery, and walks in the statutes of life, not doing injustice, he shall surely live; he shall not die. None of the sins that he has committed shall be remembered against him. He has done what is just and right; he shall surely live.

“Yet your people say, ‘The way of the Lord is not just,’ when it is their own way that is not just. When the righteous turns from his righteousness and does injustice, he shall die for it. And when the wicked turns from his wickedness and does what is just and right, he shall live by them. Yet you say, ‘The way of the Lord is not just.’ O house of Israel, I will judge each of you according to his ways.”

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

Epistle (page 957 in the pew Bibles)

1 Corinthians 10:1-13

I want you to know, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ. Nevertheless, with most of them God was not pleased, for they were overthrown in the wilderness.

Now these things took place as examples for us, that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, “The people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play.”

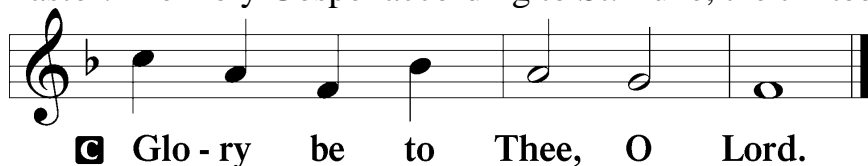
We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents, nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer. Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come. Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

Stand

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the thirteenth chapter.



There were some present at that very time who told [Jesus] about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. And he answered them, “Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans, because they suffered in this way? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish. Or those eighteen on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed them: do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others who lived in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish.”

And he told this parable: “A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came seeking fruit on it and found none. And he said to the vinedresser, ‘Look, for three years now I have come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and I find none. Cut it down. Why should it use up the ground?’ And he answered him, ‘Sir, let it alone this year also, until I dig around it and put on manure. Then if it should bear fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.’”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of our Lord.



C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

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**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 worshiped and
glorified, who spoke by the prophets.**

**And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I 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.**

Sit

HYMN OF THE MONTH

“Jesus, Refuge of the Weary” [LSB hymn 423]



1 Je - sus, ref - uge of the wea - ry, Blest Re - deem - er,
 2 Do we pass that cross un - heed - ing, Breath - ing no re -
 3 Je - sus, may our hearts be burn - ing With more fer - vent



whom we love, Foun - tain in life's des - ert drea - ry, Sav - ior
 pen - tant vow, Though we see You wound - ed, bleed - ing, See Your
 love for You; May our eyes be ev - er turn - ing To be -



from the world a - bove: Of - ten have Your eyes, of - fend - ed,
 thorn - en - cir - cled brow? Yet Your sin - less death has brought us
 hold Your cross a - new Till in glo - ry, part - ed nev - er



Gazed up - on the sin - ner's fall; Yet up - on the
 Life e - ter - nal, peace, and rest; On - ly what Your
 From the bless - ed Sav - ior's side, Grav - en in our



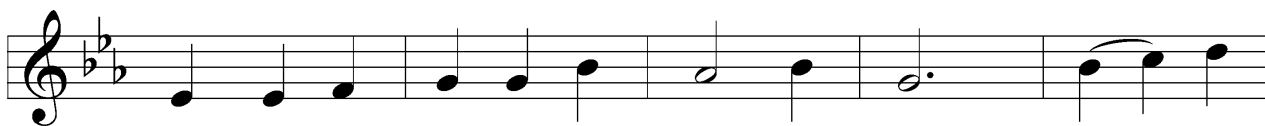
cross ex - tend - ed, You have borne the pain of all.
 grace has taught us Calms the sin - ner's deep dis - tress.
 hearts for - ev - er, Dwell the cross, the Cru - ci - fied.

SERMON

(Pastor Ernest Jeong)

OFFERTORY

(Psalm 51:10-12)

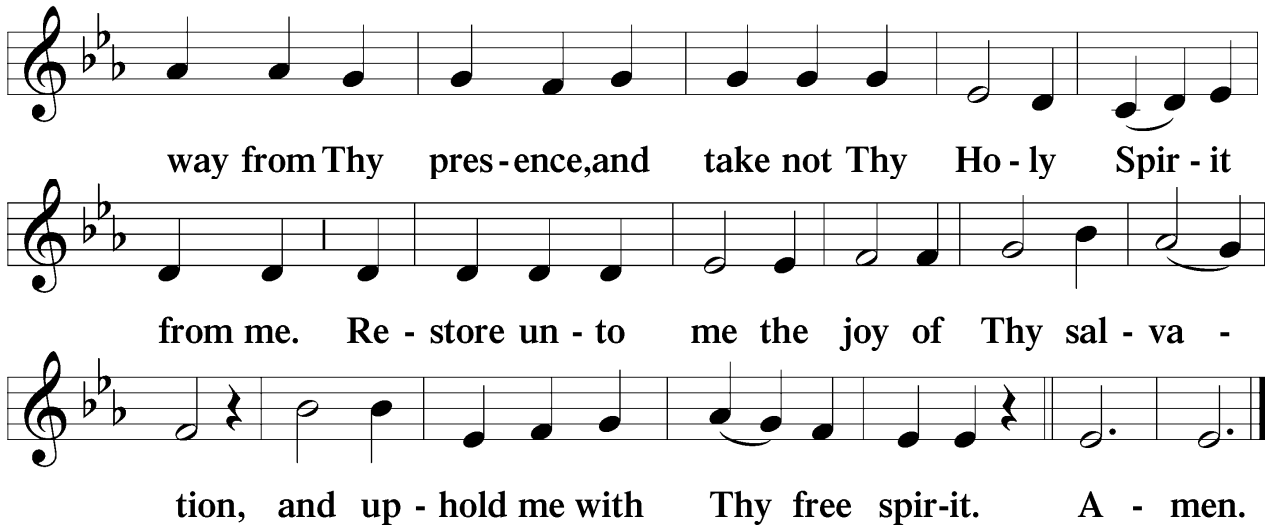


C Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -



new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -

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way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho-ly Spir-it
 from me. Re-store un-to me the joy of Thy sal-va-
 tion, and up-hold me with Thy free spir-it. A-men.

OFFERING

You may place your offering in the plate as you exit the service.

Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

(1 Timothy 2:1-4)

Pastor: *Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.*

Almighty God, You order and number our days according to Your wisdom. Give us repentant hearts, lest we perish with this world of violence and suffering. Let us hold fast to Christ for life and salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Merciful Lord, You take no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but desire that they turn from evil and live. Give pastors courage to warn of sin and death. Give all Christians strength to defend that message. Turn sinners to life by the proclamation of Christ, who delivers from all unrighteousness. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Heavenly Father, guard Your people against sexual immorality. Grant that our homes would be havens of godly instruction and chastity, and fill marriages with fidelity and love. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: God of all, You establish justice not through the desires of sinners but by Your Law, which is for all. Enlighten the authorities of this and every nation, that they might rule justly for true good. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Faithful God, protect us when we are tempted. Guard us especially from pride that justifies sin and from doubting that You provide the way of escape. Strengthen us with penitent hearts to endure until You deliver us. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Holy God, remember Your people who cry to You for mercy in a world where towers fall and sinners work evil. Deliver those in need of healing and comfort, *especially...* and strengthen them to look to You for help in their time of affliction. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: God of compassion, through the abundance of Your steadfast love You gather us into Your house and to Your Supper. Give all who commune this day a holy fear of Your wrath and faith in Your promises, that they would receive Christ's body and blood for the forgiveness of sins. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Lord of life, You have brought us into Your vineyard and appointed us to bear good fruit. Receive our thanks for Your patience, and grant that we would show Your love and grace in all that we say and do; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Cong.: Amen.

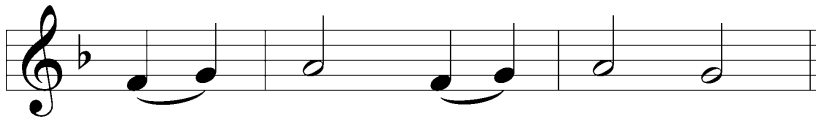
✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

PREFACE



P The Lord be with you.

(2 Timothy 4:22)



C And with thy spir - it.

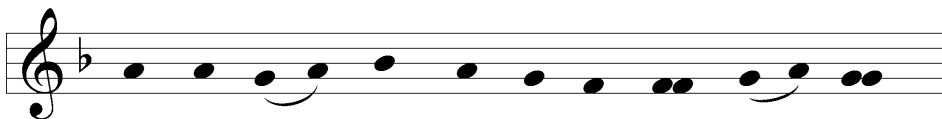


P Lift up your hearts.

(Colossians 3:1)



C We lift them up un - to the Lord.



P Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.

(Psalm 136)



C It is meet and right so to do.

PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly meet, right, and salutary ... evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS

(Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9)



☐ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

LORD'S PRAYER

(Matthew 6: 9-13)

Pastor: Remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to 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;

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 OUR LORD

(Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25)

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the 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 cup is the new testament in My ✝ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PAX DOMINI

(John 20:19)



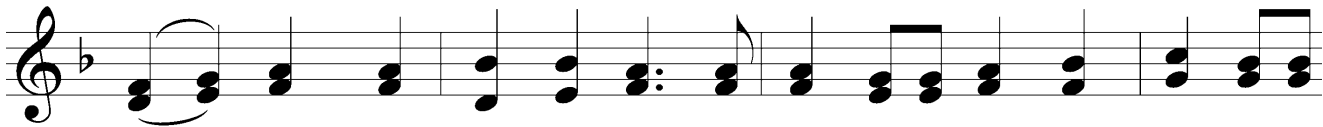
P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



C A - men.

AGNUS DEI

(John 1:29)



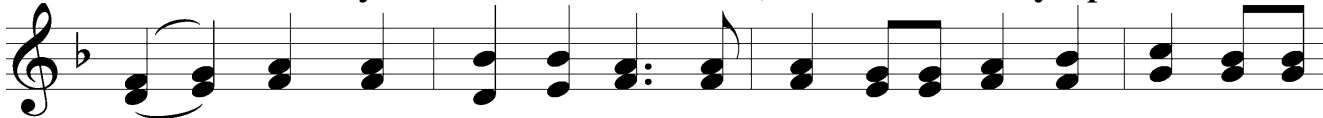
C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the



world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

Sit

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this altar in the confession and glad confidence that our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine, but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust in His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, are in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor of this congregation. For further study, see Matthew 5:23ff, 10:32ff, 18:15-35, 26:26-29; 1 Corinthians 11:17-34.

What actually is the Lord's Supper?

The Lord's Supper (Holy Communion) should be received, after proper instruction and preparation, in the sure and certain confidence that Jesus Christ is truly present in, with and under the bread and wine to forgive the sin of all who receive him in repentance (according to 1Corinthians 10:14-17; 11:17-33; Matthew 26:17-30; Mark 14:12-26; Luke 22:7-30). Please review the questions on pages 326-27 and 329-330 in the front part of "Lutheran Service Book" for a proper understanding of this holy meal.

Who may properly come to the Lord's Supper?

You are invited to receive Christ's true body and blood if you:

- have been Baptized into the name of the Triune God (Father, Son and Holy Spirit);
- repent of your sin against God and recognize your need to forgive others as God has forgiven you;
- put your trust in Jesus Christ alone for your salvation;
- are old enough to examine your own faith and life (according to 1Corinthians 11:27-32);
- believe in the words of Jesus himself when he declares that his Body and Blood are truly present in, with and under the bread and wine, offering life, salvation and the forgiveness of sins;
- sincerely intend to live a God-pleasing life in accordance with God's will as revealed in the Bible;
- have received instruction about the Supper at a Lutheran Church Missouri Synod congregation.

I now come to the Lord's Table having read, understood and agreed with these beliefs.

PRAYER BEFORE COMMUNING

*Almighty Lord Jesus Christ,
as often as I shall come
to Your holy table to refresh my spirit,
I pray You to make me,
unworthy as I am, worthy through Your grace;
impure as I am, to make me clean;
naked as I am, to clothe me,
so that Your body, so full of divine power,
and Your most precious blood may not become for me, Your servant,
the occasion for judgment or punishment,
but a memorial of the death You underwent for me,
a strengthening of my faith,
a proof of the taking away of my sins,
a bond of closer union with You and Your people,
an increase of holiness,
the basis of a glad resurrection,
and a pledge of everlasting life. Amen.*

DISTRIBUTION

“Come to Calvary’s Holy Mountain” [LSB 435]



1 Come to Cal - v'ry's ho - ly moun - tain, Sin - ners, ru - ined
 2 Come in pov - er - ty and mean - ness, Come de - filed, with -
 3 Come in sor - row and con - tri - tion, Wound - ed, im - po -
 4 They that drink shall live for - ev - er; 'Tis a soul - re -



by the fall; Here a pure and heal - ing foun - tain
 out, with - in; From in - fec - tion and un - clean - ness,
 tent, and blind; Here the guilt - y, free re - mis - sion,
 new - ing flood. God is faith - ful; God will nev - er



Flows for you, for me, for all, In a full, per -
 From the lep - ro - sy of sin, Wash your robes and
 Here the trou - bled, peace may find. Health this foun - tain
 Break His cov - e - nant of blood, Signed when our Re -



pet - ual tide, O - pened when our Sav - ior died.
 make them white; Ye shall walk with God in light.
 will re - store; They that drink shall thirst no more.
 deem - er died, Sealed when He was glo - ri - fied.

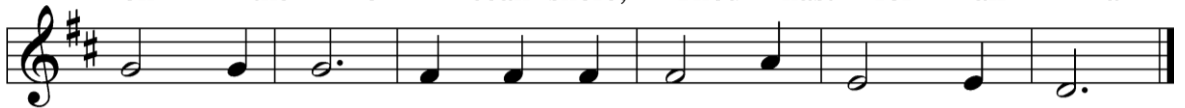
“Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness” [LSB 563]



1 Je - sus, Thy blood and righ - teous - ness My beau - ty
 2 Bold shall I stand in that great day, Cleansed and re -
 3 Lord, I be - lieve Thy pre - cious blood, Which at the
 4 Lord, I be - lieve, were sin - ners more Than sands up -



are, my glo - rious dress; Midst flam - ing worlds, in
 deemed, no debt to pay; Ful - ly ab - solved through
 mer - cy seat of God Pleads for the cap - tives'
 on the o - cean shore, Thou hast for all a



these ar - rayed, With joy shall I lift up my head.
 these I am From sin and fear, from guilt and shame.
 lib - er - ty, Was al - so shed in love for me.
 ran - som paid, For all a full a - tone - ment made.

Verses 5 & 6 on
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5 When from the dust of death I rise
To claim my mansion in the skies,
This then shall be my only plea:
Jesus hath lived and died for me.

6 Jesus, be endless praise to Thee,
Whose boundless mercy hath for me,
For me, and all Thy hands have made,
An everlasting ransom paid.

“The Infant Priest Was Holy Born” [LSB 624]



1 The in - fant Priest was ho - ly born For us un -
2 This great High Priest in hu - man flesh Was i - con
3 The ho - ly Lamb un - daunt - ed came To God's own
4 But death would not the vic - tor be Of Him who



ho - ly and for - lorn; From flesh - ly tem - ple
of God's righ - teous - ness. His hal - lowed touch brought
al - tar lit with flame; While weep - ing an - gels
hung up - on the tree. He leads us to the



forth came He, A - noint - ed from e - ter - ni - ty.
sanc - ti - ty; His hand re - moved im - pu - ri - ty.
hid their eyes, This Priest be - came a sac - ri - fice.
Ho - ly Place With - in the veil, be - fore God's face.

5 The veil is torn, our Priest we see,
As at the rail on bended knee
Our hungry mouths from Him receive
The bread of immortality.

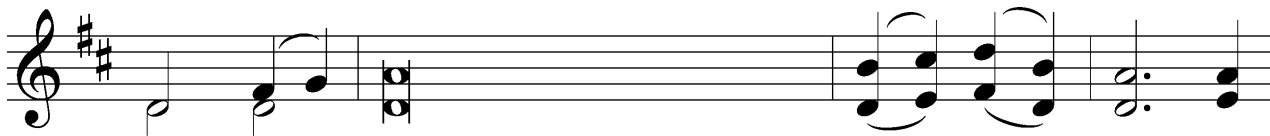
6 The body of God's Lamb we eat,
A priestly food and priestly meat;
On sin-parched lips the chalice pours
His quenching blood that life

7 With cherubim and seraphim
Our voices join the endless hymn,
And “Holy, holy, holy” sing
To Christ, God's Lamb, our Priest and King.

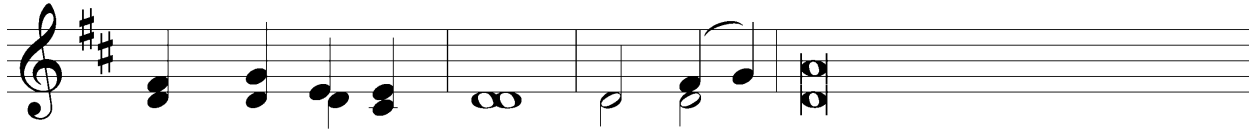
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NUNC DIMITTIS

(Luke 2:29-32)



C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -



cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,



which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,



a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy



peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and



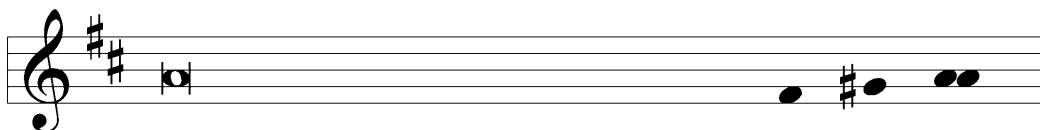
to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,



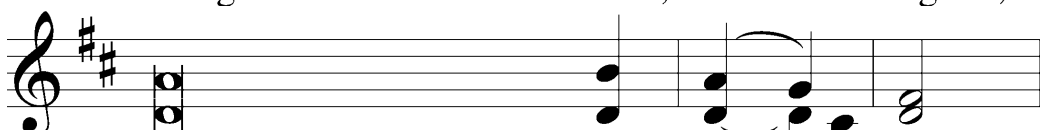
is now, and ev - er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

THANKSGIVING

(Psalm 107:1)



A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

Pastor: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C A - men.

SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS

P The Lord be with you.

(2 Timothy 4:22)

C And with thy spir - it.

A Bless we the Lord.

(Psalm 103:1)

C Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

(Numbers 6:24-26)

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you His peace.

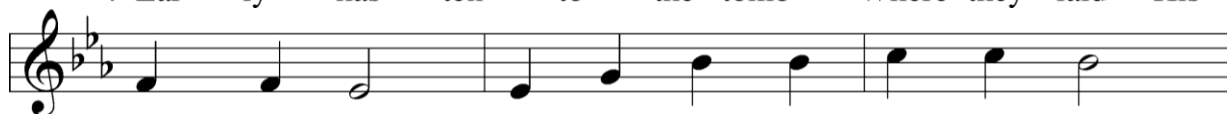
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HYMN

“Go to Dark Gethsemane” [LSB 436]



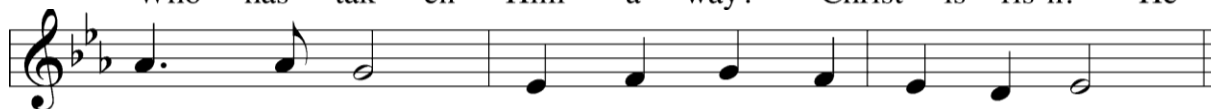
1 Go to dark Geth - sem - a - ne, All who feel the
2 Fol - low to the judg - ment hall, View the Lord of
3 Cal - v'ry's mourn - ful moun - tain climb; There, a - dor - ing
4 Ear - ly has - ten to the tomb Where they laid His



tempt - er's pow'r; Your Re - deem - er's con - flict see,
life ar - raigned; Oh, the worm - wood and the gall!
at His feet, Mark that mir - a - cle of time,
breath - less clay; All is sol - i - tude and gloom.



Watch with Him one bit - ter hour; Turn not from His
Oh, the pangs His soul sus - tained! Shun not suf - f'ring,
God's own sac - ri - fice com - plete. “It is fin - ished!”
Who has tak - en Him a - way? Christ is ris'n! He



griefs a - way; Learn from Je - sus Christ to pray.
shame, or loss; Learn from Him to bear the cross.
hear Him cry; Learn from Je - sus Christ to die.
meets our eyes. Sav - ior, teach us so to rise.

Sit

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord.

Cong.: Thanks be to God.

(Psalm 103:1)

POSTLUDE

SERVING OUR LORD AND HIS PEOPLE TODAY

	<i>8:00 Service</i>	<i>11:00 Service</i>
Acolyte:	Lochlan Deen	Kacie Onak
Ushers:	Vona Dodge David Volkert	Paul T. Jurenka Ted Witkamp
Elder/Reader:	Dan Rugg Bob Vogtmann	Manny Flores Brian Viers
Organist:	Matt Laub	
Altar Guild:	Alisa Duffey, Jan Flores, Doris White	

LAST SUNDAY WE PRAYED FOR:

HEALING **Jodi Agnew** continues healing from lung cancer. **Lisa Olson** will have thyroid cancer surgery. Both Jodi and Lisa are friends of Linda Spengler.

COMFORT FOR THOSE WHO MOURN Donna Dehne's cousin, **Debbie Pick**, passed away. Please pray for Debbie's daughter Ellie who is 17 years old. Please keep **Jill** in your prayers as she mourns the loss of her father Guy Peter. The Peter family are friends of Doris & Harry White.

ASSURANCE/ENCOURAGEMENT Please keep Pastor Ernest Jeong and his family in your prayers as they prepare to move to Huntington Beach.

GUIDANCE Pray for **Autumn**. Pray for **Olaf** to be a good father, husband and man of God. Pray for **Sydney** to grow up to be a mother. Pray for **Sarah** to draw closer to God.

SAFETY DURING TRAVEL Safe travels for **Margaret Button** and her **extended family** as they travel to Michigan for a memorial service for Margaret's uncle.

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS: Cynthia Hardgrave 3/23; Donna Dehne 3/24; Paul Jurenka 3/24; Lauren Martin 3/24; Maria Jurenka 3/26; Ron Smith 3/26 Caryn Keller 3/27; Joan Harris 3/28

THIS WEEK'S WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES: Andrew & Jennifer Koehler 3/23; Dennis & Catherine Fulton 3/26; Larry & Judy Norlander 3/28; Ted & Hong Witkamp

THIS WEEK'S BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS: Barbara Foutz 3/24; Joaquin Rice 3/26

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NEWS AND NOTES

MARCH 23, 2025

Opportunities This Week To Serve Our Lord And Our Neighbor

23 Sunday	<i>The Third Sunday in Lent</i> Divine Service 8:00 & 11:00 AM Sunday School/Confirmation 9:30 AM Adult Bible Study “Colossians” 9:30 AM (in the Sanctuary with Karen Miller)
24 Monday	Church Office Closed <i>Pastor Jeong’s Day off</i> Al Anon 10:00 AM Celestial Ringers 6:00 PM Boy Scouts 7:00 PM
25 Tuesday	Al Anon 6:00 PM Sanctuary Choir 7:00 PM
26 Wednesday	Preschool Chapel 10:00 AM Midweek Lenten Services 4:00 & 7:00 PM Soup Supper 5:15 PM
27 Thursday	
28 Friday	
29 Saturday	Funeral Service for Malia Stenzel 10:00 AM Committal Service for Malia Stenzel 1:30 PM
30 Sunday	<i>The Fourth Sunday in Lent</i> Divine Service 8:00 & 11:00 AM Sunday School/Confirmation Classes 9:30 AM Adult Bible Study “Ephesians” 9:30 AM (in the Sanctuary with Karen Miller)

For Further Information Please Call the Church Office at 714-846-6330

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Preschool Office Hours: Monday – Friday 7:00 AM – 5:30 PM

BIBLE STUDIES

“Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of Christ” (Romans 10:17)

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE STUDY

“Colossians” (9:30 AM with Karen Miller in the Sanctuary)

FIRST THURSDAY WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY

“Isaiah 40-55” (7:00 PM with Karen Miller in the Music Room)

REDEEMER'S STEWARDSHIP

Last Sunday's Attendance: 134

*God has given each of us gifts and calls us in 1 Peter 4:10,11 to
"use them to serve one another that God may be glorified through Jesus Christ".*



SPOTLIGHT ON STEWARDSHIP Luke 13:3 “No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish.” The season of Lent is all about repentance: turning back to the Lord, away from our sins, in faith. We know that it is only in the Lord that we can find salvation. So, we do well in this season of repentance to examine ourselves, asking questions like, “What is trying to keep me away from Jesus?” “What is a temptation I face?” What is a sin I need to repent of and leave behind?” Then we turn to the Lord for the strength to leave these sins behind, and for the courage to follow Him in faith and faithful living.

AROUND REDEEMER

WORSHIP SERVICES AT REDEEMER are offered in our Sanctuary on Sundays at 8:00 and 11:00 AM and available online at 8:00 AM on www.facebook.com/RedeemerLutheranHB/ as a Facebook live stream, and accessible from www.redeemer-lutheran.net. Join us in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30 AM for Sunday School.

TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL we studied “**The Widow’s Offering.**” Mark 12:41-44. The widow gave all she had to God, trusting Him to provide and care for her. Her actions point us to Jesus, who gave His all for us, even though we fail to trust in God for all things.

FUNERAL SERVICE for Malia Stenzel will be Saturday March 29th at 10:00 AM at Redeemer with reception following. Committal Service at 1:30 PM at Good Shepherd Cemetery at Beach and Talbert. If you would like to bring a dessert for the reception, please email Ellen Prior at elprior2000@yahoo.com or call the church office at (714) 846-6330.

BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY will be April 12th. We will watch and discuss “**Rod Rosenblatt’s lecture on The Gospel for those Broken by the Church**” led by Pastor Miller. Plan to attend this very informative presentation. Please RSVP to the church office for breakfast.

OLD GUYS BREAKFAST AT DENNY’S (You don’t have to be old) If you would like to join in on the fellowship and food (everyone pays for their own meal) we meet at Denny’s at 18477 Beach Blvd. HB (cross street is Ellis), on Fridays at 11:30 AM. Call the church office if you would like more information.

GAME NIGHT Come join us in faith, friendship and Tabletop Board gaming every month on the 3rd Saturday of the month (**April 26**-changed due to Easter weekend) from 5:30 to 10:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. This is intended for all members of the Congregation who like games, and we encourage you to come and invite your friends. This is a fun outreach opportunity, and we have a few regular attendees who are not members of our Congregation. You can also contact Christopher Lundgren via the Church Office for more information.

PRIVATE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION AND COMMUNION are by appointment. Please call the church office to arrange a date and time.

SAVE THE DATE Vacation Bible School will be July 14th-18th 9:00 AM-12:00 PM daily. VBS includes those who are 4 years old through those completing 5th grade. If you would like to volunteer to help in any way, please contact Bonnie Volkert at bonnievolkert@gmail.com or 714-697-0617.

‘SET APART TO SERVE’ 2025 CONGREGATION SURVEY

WHERE DO WE GET PASTORS WHO PREACH AND CARE FOR US WITH GOD’S WORD? Where do we get teachers who teach our children about Jesus in our Lutheran schools? Where do we get our directors of Christian education, deaconesses and directors of parish music? *Set Apart to Serve (SAS)* is partnering with our seminaries, Concordia universities, districts and others to build a Synodwide culture of church work formation and recruitment. Will you please take a brief online survey at lcms.org/set-apart-to-serve-survey and let us know how we can make SAS more beneficial to your congregation? We want to hear what you have to say.

MARCH HYMN OF THE MONTH

JESUS, REFUGE OF THE WEARY - LSB 423 Late thirteenth-century Italy saw the rise of a new form of monophonic sacred song in Italian that was sung outside the Church’s official liturgy. During the following two centuries, the *lauda*, as it was called, became the leading genre of popular song in Italian. Girolamo Savonarola (1452-98), who encouraged the singing of *laude*, wrote the original text of this *lauda* which was translated by Jane F. Wilde, Lady Wilde (1821-96), and published in 1853 in R.R. Madden’s *Life and Martyrdom of Savonarola*,. In 1864, it appeared in Wilde’s own *Poems*, which she dedicated to her sons Willie and Oscar. The former would become a famous eye surgeon and the latter an internationally known author, playwright, and poet.

The hymn’s first stanza is a prayer to Jesus, who is “refuge of the weary” according to His own promise: “Come to Me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you, and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls” (Matthew 11:28-29). He is a “fountain in life’s desert dreary” (stanza 1; see Psalm 36:9; 68:26) who is “from the world above” (see John 3:31; 8:23), as He invites us to drink the water that wells up to eternal life (John 4:14; 7:37). His sacred eyes were offended as His gaze surveyed what sin had done to all people (Matthew 23:27; Luke 13:34). Nevertheless, on the cross He bore the pain of all (1 Peter 2:24; Isaiah 53:4-5, 11).

Stanza 2 asks the memorable and oft-quoted question of self-examination, “Do we pass that cross unheeding, breathing no repentant vow?” Ignorance or neglect is no less a sin than that of those who passed by His cross, seeing His “thorn-encircled brow” (stanza 2; see Matthew 27:29), wagging their heads and deriding Him outright (Mark 15:29-30; Psalm 22:7; 109:25). Yet His sinless suffering and death was the priceless sacrifice that alone brought us eternal life (John 3:15-16), peace (Colossians 1:20), and rest (2 Corinthians 5:21).

The sorrow of true repentance prepares the way for the gift of faith that prays, as in stanza 3, for more fervent, heartfelt love for Christ (Song of Solomon 8:6; Luke 24:32). Such faith and love lift our hearts and eyes always to behold the cross of Jesus, which has now become our own to bear as we follow Him.

PRESCHOOL NEWS

HELP A CHILD GO TO SCHOOL The Redeemer Lutheran Preschool Board has established a Preschool Scholarship Fund. We have had families visit our school who simply cannot afford the tuition and were not approved for governmental assistance. We would like to offer these families a good Christian education for their children. To donate to this fund, please make your check payable to Redeemer Lutheran Church with “Preschool Scholarship Fund” on the memo line. Thank you for your continued support of Redeemer Lutheran Preschool.

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REV. DANIEL & KATHY CONRAD for information see <https://www.lcms.org/conrad>
BENJAMIN & REBECCA HELGE for information see <https://www.lcms.org/helge>
VICAR/SEMINARIAN CORY WILLWEBER email at cwillweber@gmail.com
For information on where you can send support, contact the church office.

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CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUE AM850 & kfuo.org: On Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT) we wrap up the book of 1 Samuel and begin 2 Samuel! Tune in to Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 a.m. CT) as we continue our study of Hebrews, covering chapters 7-9.

Sharathon 2025 is next week! From April 3rd–5th, join us for special programming, fun giveaways, and a chance to make a difference by supporting the mission and ministry of KFUE Radio! To learn more, visit: kfuo.org/sharathon

**DAILY, CHRIST OFFERS HIS RICH BLESSINGS THROUGH THE SCRIPTURES.
SUGGESTED READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 23, 2025:**

Sunday, March 23:	Genesis 27:30-45; 28:10-22; Ezekiel 33:7-20; 1 Corinthians 10:1-13 Luke 13:1-9
Monday, March 24:	Genesis 29:1-30 & Mark 9:14-32
Tuesday, March 25:	Genesis 35:1-29 & Mark 9:33-50
Wednesday, March 26:	Genesis 37:1-36 & Mark 10:1-12
Thursday, March 27:	Genesis 39:1-23 & Mark 10:13-31
Friday, March 28:	Genesis 40:1-23 & Mark 10:32-52
Saturday, March 29:	Genesis 41:1-27 & Mark 11:1-19
Sunday, March 30:	Genesis 41:28-57; Isaiah 12:1-6; 2 Corinthians 5:16-21; Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

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