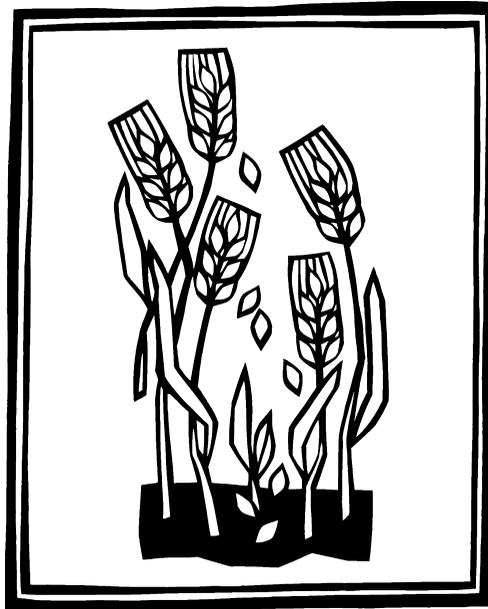


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Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 17, 2024



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10:00am Worship (In-person & virtual options)

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Welcome, and thank you for worshipping with us this morning.

Holy Communion happens at every service and is open to all baptized.

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Prelude

“Meditation on ‘The Lord’s My Shepherd, I’ll Not Want’
Paul Fey op. 163

Confession & Forgiveness Rite

P: In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

P: A: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

P. In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Kyrie

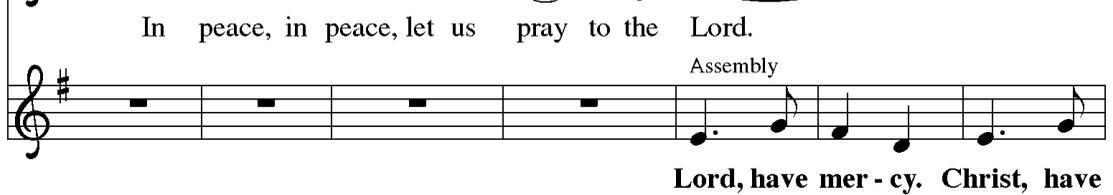
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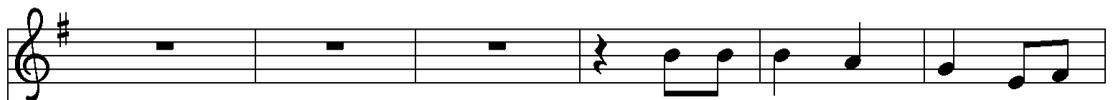


In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

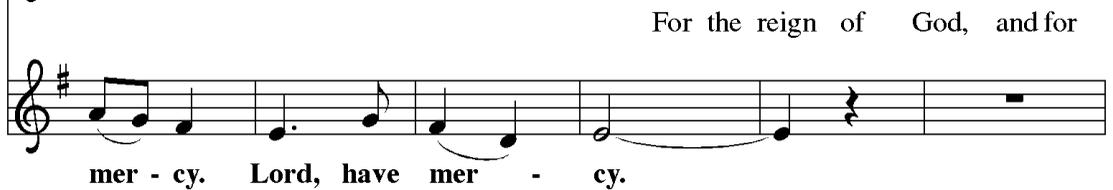
Assembly



Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have



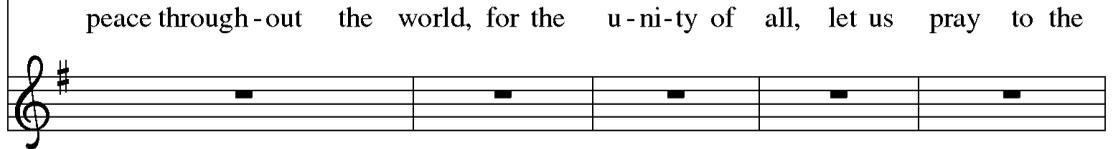
For the reign of God, and for



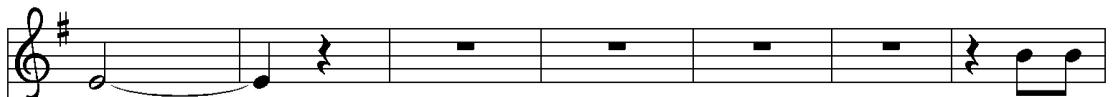
mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.



peace through - out the world, for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the



Lord.



For your



Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Kyrie Continued...

peo - ple here who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your

word, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer-cy. Christ, have mer-cy. Lord, have
Help, save, and de-fend us, O God.

The Prayer of the Day

O God, with steadfast love you draw us to yourself, and in mercy you receive our prayers. Strengthen us to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit, that through life and death we may live in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

First Reading

Jeremiah 31:31-34

³¹The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the LORD,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

L: Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.



Second Reading

Hebrews 5:5-10

⁵Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

“You are my Son,
today I have begotten you”;

⁶as he says also in another place,

“You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchizedek.”

⁷In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. ⁸Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; ⁹and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, ¹⁰having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

L: Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and



mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in



stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St John.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel

John 12:20-33

²⁰Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks.

²¹They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." ²²Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. ²³Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit.

²⁵Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

²⁷"Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. ²⁸Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." ²⁹The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." ³⁰Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. ³¹Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. ³²And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." ³³He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Rev. Nicholas Zook

Hymn of the Day

ELW #502 "The King of Love My Shepherd Is"

1 The King of love my shep - herd is, whose good - ness
 2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, my ran - somed
 3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, but yet in
 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with thee, dear

fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
 soul he lead - eth and, where the ver - dant
 love he sought me, and on his shoul - der
 Lord, be - side me, thy rod and staff my

I am his and he is mine for - ev - er.
 pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
 gent - ly laid, and home, re - joic - ing, brought me.
 com - fort still; thy cross be - fore to guide me.

Apostle's Creed

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of Thanksgiving

A: Called to the renewal of our faith in Lent, let us offer our prayers to God.

A: In the waters of baptism, you join us to the life and resurrection of Jesus Christ. For the gift of forgiveness, we praise you.

C: Hear us, O God.

A: You send us your Holy Spirit to guide us and teach us. For all the gifts of the Spirit, we thank you.

C: Hear us, O God.

A: You nourish us with your word and welcome us to your table. For all the ways you care for us, we praise you.

C: Hear us, O God.

A: You call us to tell others about Jesus. For willingness to show Jesus by what we say and do, we pray to you.

C: Hear us, O God.

A: You send us to help other people and to work for what is right. For courage to be the body of Christ, we pray to you.

C: Hear us, O God.

A: You send your spirit of healing and strength to all who call upon you. For those who seek your healing presence, especially Bonnie, Glen, Lupe, Galen, Mike, Sandie, Julie, Sandy, Dave, and for those we name before you or silently in our hearts [*pause for names*]we pray to you.

C: Hear us, O God.

P: All these things, and whatever else you see that we need, grant us, O Lord our God, through Jesus Christ, for your mercy is everlasting, and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

C: Amen.

The Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

You are invited to share the sign of peace with others.

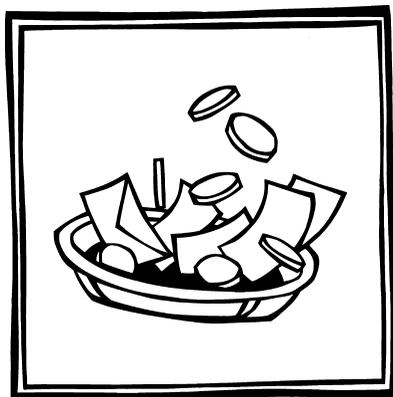
The Offering

"How Firm A Foundation" arr. by Richard Walters

*We encourage you to use this time for reflection & gratitude
as we prepare for communion.*



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Offertory Hymn

ELW #186 "Create in Me a Clean Heart"



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right
spir-it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take
not your Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re-store to me the joy of
your sal-va-tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir-it.

Offertory Prayer

A: Let us pray,
Merciful Father

C: We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us -- ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Liturgy of the Holy Eucharist

The Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

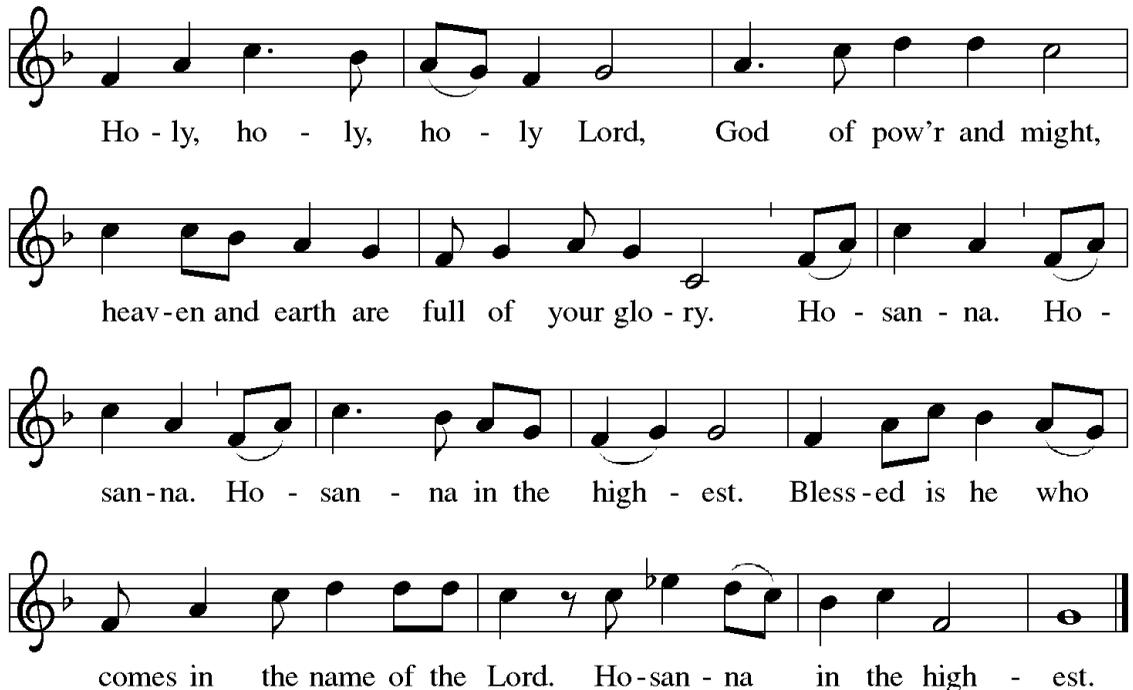
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should and at all times.....
we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

- P: Blessed are you, O God of the universe.
Your mercy is everlasting
and your faithfulness endures from age to age.
- P: In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.
- P: Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.
- P: With this bread and cup
we remember our Lord's passover from death to life
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:
- C: Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**
- P: O God of resurrection and new life:
Pour out your Holy Spirit on us
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Bless this feast.
Grace our table with your presence.
- C: Come, Holy Spirit.**
- P: We praise you, O God,
blessed and holy Trinity,
now and forever.
- C: Amen.**

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

C: **Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

Communion Invitation

We invite all who are baptized in Christ to come forward for communion. All are welcome at the Lord's table. Parents of young children are asked to let the pastor know if they want their child to receive communion or a blessing.

Communion is served by continuous table around the altar, and you are asked to take a place as openings appear.



Communion Hymn

ELW 357 "Lamb of God, Pure and Sinless"



Lamb of God, pure and sin - less, once on the cross an of - f'ring,



pa - tient, low - ly, guilt - less, for - sak - en in your suf - f'ring:



from sin's grasp you have torn us, from gloom to hope have borne us.



- 1 Grant us your mer - cy, O Je - sus.
- 2 Grant us your mer - cy, O Je - sus.
- 3 Your peace be with us, O Je - sus. A - men.

Post Communion Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

A: Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Lead us in our Lenten pilgrimage: that our fasting be hunger for justice; our alms, a making of peace; and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

Closing Hymn

ELW #793 "Be Thou My Vision"



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,
 4 Light of my soul, af - ter vic - to - ry won,



naught be all else to me, save that thou art:
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord.
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O heav - en's Sun!



thou my best thought both by day and by night,
 Thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tow'r,
 thou and thou on - ly, the first in my heart,
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
 great God of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Announcements

Dismissal

P: Go forth into the world to serve God with gladness; be of good courage; hold fast to that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honor all people; love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

C: Thanks be to God.

A: Go in peace. Remember your baptism.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

*“I Vow To Thee My Country” (THAXTED/ Holst)
Dedicated to Queen Elizabeth II by Paul Fey*

We thank today’s celebrants:

Deacons: Chris Formeller & Kim Baratta

Lector: Betsy Ries

Greeter/Usher: Guenter Seidel

Announcements

Important Dates to note:

- **March 17th:** Sunday School during 10am worship
- **March 24th:** Palm Sunday worship at 10am | Fellowship 11am
Palm Sunday concert 12pm
- **March 29th:** Good Friday soup supper 6pm | Worship service 7pm
- **March 31st:** Easter Sunday
Easter Concert at 9:30am
Easter Worship at 10am

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CONCORDIA CHURCH PRESENTS:

HOLY WEEK CONCERT

with Très Belle & Pianist Paul Dykstra

March 24, 2024, 12pm
3855 N. Seeley Ave.

Admission is free, but pre-registration is encouraged. concordiafaith.org/concerts

Support Migrant Families

We invite you to donate new items from the list below to be shared with migrant families in our community.



- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Hand sanitizer
- Feminine products
- Band-Aids
- Shampoo
- OTC medications
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 - antihistamines
 - decongestants
 - antacids
 - laxatives
- Thermometers

- Body Wipes
- Body Lotion
- Lice Kits
- Bras (sizes A-D for adults)
- Bralettes (preteens & teenagers)
- Leggings
- Undershirts & tank tops
- Sandals (adults & children)
- Thick blankets
- Pillows



Please bring donations to Concordia Church or any Concordia Place location by Sunday, March 24th.

OR

Scan or click the QR code to shop the Amazon Wish List & have your item(s) automatically delivered!



Join us during Lent

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Mardi Gras Potluck on *Sunday, February 11th*

Bring a dish to share!



Kid's seasonal activity + cookie bake-off



Ash Wednesday

February 14th

Worship Service 7:00pm

Includes Imposition of Ashes



Adult Book Study

February 18th—March 17th

9:00am in church office

*"Morality: Restoring the Common Good
in Modern Times"*

by Rabbi Jonathan Sacks

Zoom option available

Reach out to Pastor

Zook for more

details or to get involved.



Sunday Lenten Services

February 18th—March 17th

at 10:00am

All services available in-person, via
livestream, or by recorded viewing
on our YouTube channel: Concordia
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For all details and livestream links,
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March 24th

Palm Sunday

10:00am Worship

Join us in the Procession of Palms and hear the story of Christ's passion



Good Friday

March 29th



6:00pm Soup Supper

Fellowship together over a light meal of soup & bread

7:00pm Worship

Reflections on the 7 last words of Chris on the cross

March 31st

Easter Sunday

9:30am Easter Concert

10:00am Worship

Join us as we joyfully celebrate the resurrection of our Lord!



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*with violinist Julimar Gonzalez, cellist Francisco
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Gospel Acclamation

"Alleluia" Setting 3

Hymn of the Day

ELW #502 "The King of Love My Shepherd Is"

Text: Henry W. Baker, 1821–1877
Music: ST. COLUMBA, Irish tune

Offertory Hymn

ELW #186 "Create in Me a Clean Heart"

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Sanctus

Setting 3

Communion Hymn

ELW #357 "Lamb of God, Pure and Sinless"

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Closing Hymn

ELW #793 "Be Thou My Vision"

Text: Irish, 8th cent.; vers. Eleanor H. Hull, 1860–1935, alt.; tr. Mary E. Byrne, 1880–1931
Music: SLANE, Irish traditional

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