



Grace Lutheran Church

SUNDAY • MARCH 10, 2024

11:00 AM

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

THANK YOU TO OUR PULPIT SUPPLY JACK HOLMQUEST

ADULT USHER: **THE BISGARD FAMILY**

SONG LEADER:

READER: **ADAM WIENTJES**

PIANIST: **ISAAK MONTEMOYER**

SOUND & VIDEO TEAM: PAUL HENRICHS, WYATT SPROUSE, LARRY PICTH, GARY RUKSTAD, AND DYLAN JORDAN

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

WE GATHER TODAY TO WORSHIP GOD, THE SHEPHERD OF OUR SOULS. THE ONE WHO HAS CREATED US, WHO SUSTAINS US, WHO REDEEMS US, WHO WALKS BESIDE US IN GOOD TIMES AND BAD, AND WHO CALLS US TO FOLLOW. THIS IS OUR GOD. LET US WORSHIP HIM TOGETHER!

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Gracious Lord and Heavenly Father, We are here because we adore You. We are truly in awe of all You have done, all that You are doing, and all that You will do because of the promise that You and your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ made to the world.

Amen.

God, may Your light guide my day, and your spirit bring me peace.

Amen.

God, may my sacrifice of today of (state your Lenten sacrifice) remind me of my dependence on You for all the blessings I enjoy.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN: ABOVE ALL

GREETING

THE GRACE OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, THE LOVE OF GOD,
AND THE COMMUNION OF THE HOLY SPIRIT BE WITH YOU ALL.
AND ALSO WITH YOU.

SHARING OF THE PEACE: The peace of the Lord be with you always

AND ALSO WITH YOU.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

May we walk through this season intentionally, removing distractions that take our gaze away from your glory. May we quiet the noise that pulls us from adoration of you and puts our attention on lesser things. May we simplify where we have been stressed, may we surrender what has been burdensome, may we repent of what has been sinful, Lord Jesus.

Amen.

FIRST READING: ROMANS 4:13-25

Word of God, word of life.

THANKS BE TO GOD.

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 22: 23-31

23 YOU WHO FEAR THE LORD, GIVE PRAISE! ALL YOU OF JACOB'S LINE, GIVE GLORY. STAND IN AWE OF THE LORD, ALL YOU OFFSPRING OF ISRAEL.

24 FOR THE LORD DOES NOT DESPISE NOR ABHOR THE POOR IN THEIR POVERTY; NEITHER IS THE LORD'S FACE HIDDEN FROM THEM; BUT WHEN THEY CRY OUT, THE LORD HEARS THEM.

25 FROM YOU COMES MY PRAISE IN THE GREAT ASSEMBLY; I WILL PERFORM MY VOWS IN THE SIGHT OF THOSE WHO FEAR THE LORD.

26 THE POOR SHALL EAT AND BE SATISFIED, LET THOSE WHO SEEK THE LORD GIVE PRAISE! MAY YOUR HEARTS LIVE FOREVER!

27 ALL THE ENDS OF THE EARTH SHALL REMEMBER AND TURN TO THE LORD; ALL THE FAMILIES OF NATIONS SHALL BOW BEFORE GOD.

28 FOR DOMINION BELONGS TO THE LORD, WHO RULES OVER THE NATIONS.

29 Indeed, all who sleep in the earth shall bow down in worship;

all who go down to the dust, though they be dead, shall kneel before the Lord.

30 Their descendants shall serve the Lord, whom they shall proclaim to generations to come.

31 They shall proclaim God's deliverance to a people yet unborn, saying to them, "The Lord has acted!"

PRAISE SONG:

GRACE ALONE

*****CHILDRENS MESSAGE*****

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*RETURN TO THE LORD, YOUR GOD,
RETURN TO THE LORD, YOUR GOD,
WHO IS GRACIOUS AND MERCIFUL,
SLOW TO ANGER, AND ABOUNDING
IN STEADFAST LOVE.*

GOSPEL: Mark 8:31-38

The gospel of the Lord.

PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.

*****MESSAGE*****

“STAY” BY JACK HOLMQUEST

HYMN OF THE DAY: COME AND PRAISE THE LORD

APOSTLES CREED

PRAYER SONG: LORD LISTEN TO YOUR CHILDREN PRAYING

DRAWN CLOSE TO THE HEART OF GOD, WE OFFER THESE PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH, THE WORLD, AND ALL THOSE WHO ARE IN NEED.

Trusting in God’s promise to reconcile all things, let us pray for the church, the well-being of creation, and a world in need.

Gracious God, your love unites. Give vision to the global church and foster cooperation in mission. Increase inter-religious understanding and ecumenical dialog. Make your church a sanctuary for all fleeing persecution, disaster, and war.

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Creating God, your love enlivens. Restore balance to the earth's fragile habitats. Preserve wilderness lands, rainforests, and wildlife. Cleanse oceans and rivers. Make us good stewards of the earth. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Merciful God, your love heals. Care tenderly for all whose loved ones perished from pandemic disease in every nation. Strengthen health care workers, first responders, and caregivers. Relieve all who live with chronic illness and pain, especially Rhys, Roy, Shannon, Allen, Danny, Dennis, Dick, Harper, Ted, Greg, Kristi, Sylvia, Lavern, Elvira, Jada, Rick, Roger, Lynn, Tracy, Kaisley, Raef, Ashlea, Robert, Sandra, Denise, Harley & Marilyn, Robert S., and Tori. We pray for any who are sick. Please pray for the families of Jason Morris and Avis DeBerg.

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Incarnate God, your love enlightens. Open our hearts and minds to fresh understandings of our faith. Deepen our love for you and for one another. Teach us to pray for our enemies.

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Abiding God, your love saves. Those who died in the faith are made alive in Christ. We give thanks for your promise that we also will be raised to newness of life. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Accompany us on our journey, God of grace, and receive the prayers of our hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

**OFFERING FOR THE MISSION & MINISTRY
OF GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH**

SONG OF OFFERING:

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OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

God our provider, you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO COMMUNION (ELW P. 154)

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

COMMUNION (ELW P. 154)

COMMUNION SONGS:

WEEPING OVER JERUSALEM

HERE IS BREAD

COMMUNION PRAYER)

Blessed are you and blessed is your eternal table. You welcome all who thirst for justice and hunger to grow in love. You ask us to extend this same welcome to all our neighbors, but God, since our beginning, we have struggled. And so in your love for us, you took on flesh in Jesus.

Amen.

May the Lord bless you and keep you. May He look upon you with favor and give you peace.

Amen.

SENDING: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Thanks be to God.

Rhys Arnold, Roy Arnold, Shannon Beck, Allen Benson, Denise Biller, Danny Brekke, Dennis Carlson, Dick Everson, Harper Evjen, Ted Frost, Greg Gross, Kristi Herting, Sylvia Larson, LaVerne McPeck, Elvira Moen, Jada Mohror, Rick Raml, Roger Rust, Lynn Schaefer, Tracy Schaefer, Kaisley Schulz, Tori Simon, Robert Steen, Raef Stolp, Ashlea West, Robert Wittrock, Sandra Wittrock, Harley & Marilyn Peterson those in Care Centers, Assisted Living, or who are homebound. Pray for members of the Armed Forces and their families, transportation personnel, Law Enforcement, Fire Fighters EMTs and all First Responders. Pray for our Church during this transition period. Pray for the family of Jason Morris and the family of Avis DeBerg.



**SCAN WITH A SMART
PHONE TO GIVE
ELECTRONICALLY**

THIS WEEK: MARCH 10-

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TODAY	8:30 AM	TRADITIONAL WORSHIP
	9:30 AM	COFFEE HOUR IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
	9:45 AM	SUNDAY SCHOOL
	11:00 AM	CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP
MONDAY	1-4 PM	DORCUS QUILTERS
	5:30 PM	BANQUET MEAL SERVED
TUESDAY	4:30 PM	TOPS
	5:00 PM	FELLOWSHIP & OUTREACH MEETING
	6:00 PM	GRACE COUNCIL
	6:30 PM	CUB SCOUTS
WEDNESDAY	11:00 AM	TOPS MEETS
	5:30 PM	WEDNESDAY MEAL
	6:00 PM	LARGE GROUP ACTIVITIES
	6:30 PM	CONFIRMATION & WEDNESDAY SCHOOL
THURSDAY	1:00 PM	GLCW MEETING
	5:30PM	STAFF SUPPORT MEETING
KAT WILL BE OUT		
SUNDAY	8:30 AM	TRADITIONAL WORSHIP WITH AL VANDERLAAN
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Thrivent Choice Dollars - It's time again to designate your Thrivent Choice Dollars to GLC. If you are a Thrivent customer contact your agent to see how you can do this!
The designated period ends March 31st.

Thank you for all of your help and support at the craft fair!

RADIO BROADCAST
GIVEN IN LOVING MEMORY OF HUSBAND NEIL STAINSON & OF HER
MOTHER AMANDA BAUMAN BY JULAINE STAINSON
**ALTER FLOWERS GIVEN BY CONDA WILLIAMS TO HONOR EMILY
WILLIAMS, SCARLETT & RUBY**

Thanks to all who helped with the Lenten luncheon on Wednesday. those who helped make soup on Tuesday, those who helped serve on Wednesday, and those who made the delicious bars! the luncheon went very well, and we received a lot of compliments! We needed all who helped so a big hug and thank you!

EASTER EGG HUNT PLANNED FOR PALM SUNDAY BETWEEN SERVICES
KIDS SING ON PALM SUNDAY AT 11:00 SERVICE

EASTER SUNDAY - ONE SERVICE AT 8:30AM

EASTER MASH UP! - A 4 WEEK SUNDAY SCHOOL & WEDNESDAY SCHOOL SERIES THAT MAKES THE CONNECTION BETWEEN THE EASTER MESSAGE AND THE CHRISTMAS STORY. LEARNERS WILL GAIN NEW INSIGHT INTO THE TRUTH THAT JESUS CAME AS A BABY, BUT GREW INTO A MAN WHO LAID DOWN HIS LIFE TO SAVE US.

EASTER MEMORIAL FLOWERS FORMS MUST BE TURNED INTO THE OFFICE BY SUNDAY MARCH 17, 2024.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SUBMIT AN ANNOUNCEMENT OR PRAYER REQUEST EMAIL OFFICEGRACELC@MIDCONETWORK.COM

