

**ST PAUL EVANGELICAL
LUTHERAN CHURCH LENTEN
WORSHIP SERVICE
March 24th, 2024**

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Opening Music

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Pastor: Save me O God by your name and vindicate me by your might. Hear my prayer, O God: give ear to the words of my mouth.

Congregation: For insolent people have risen against me, ruthless people seek my life; they do not set God before them.

Pastor: But surely God is my helper; the Lord is the upholder of my life. He will repay my enemies for their evil. In your Faithfulness, put an end to them.

Congregation: With a freewill offering I will sacrifice to you; I will give thanks to your name, O Lord for it is good. For he has delivered me from every trouble, and my eye has looked in triumph on my enemies.

Invocation (Unison)

God of sacrifice, the vision you give us this day is that the world will rise against us. Guide us through the darkness into the certainty of your light, so wherever we stand, we will know that you are the savior of the world and diligently proclaim your hope of salvation. Amen

HYMN

“On Eagle’s Wings” (Vs 1&2)

LESSON – Judges 6:33-40

Now all the Midianites, Amalekites and other eastern peoples joined forces and crossed over the Jordan and camped in the Valley of Jezreel. Then the Spirit of the LORD came on Gideon, and he blew a trumpet, summoning the Abiezrites to follow him. He sent messengers throughout Manasseh, calling them to arms, and also into Asher, Zebulun and Naphtali, so that they too went up to meet them. Gideon said to God, “If you will save Israel by my hand as you have promised— look, I will place a wool fleece on the threshing floor. If there is dew only on the fleece and all the ground is dry, then I will know that you will save Israel by my hand, as you said.” And that is what happened. Gideon rose early the next day; he squeezed the fleece and wrung out the dew—a bowlful of water. Then Gideon said to God, “Do not be angry with me. Let me make just one more request. Allow me one more test with the fleece, but this time make the fleece dry and let the ground be covered with dew.” That night God did so. Only the fleece was dry; all the ground was covered with dew.

Lenten Message
Pastor John

"Let Go of Doubt and Let God"

HYMN

“On Eagle’s Wings” (Vs 3&4)

PRAYER LITANY

Pastor: Send out your light and your truth: let them lead me; let them bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling.

Congregation: Why must I walk about mournfully because of the oppression of the enemy?

Pastor: I will go to the altar of God, to God my exceeding joy: and I will praise you with the harp, O God my God.

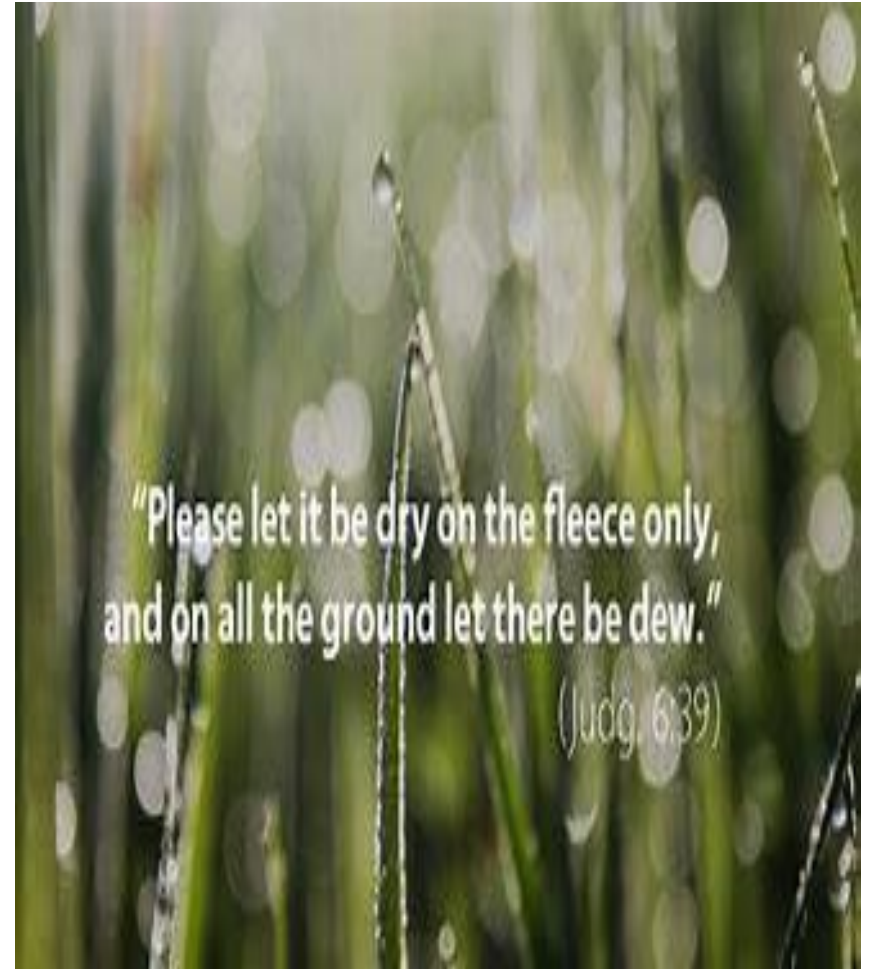
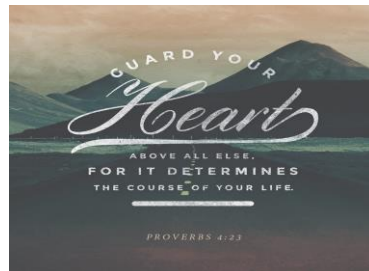
Congregation: Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my help and my God.

Pastor: We deserve condemnation, and you offer us the hope of salvation from the cross that begins today. O Lord, help us to see more clearly the love in your sacrifice and help us to be diligent in sharing your grace. Amen

The Lord's Prayer

The Benediction

A moment in silence for reflection



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