ST PAUL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH LENTEN WORSHIP SERVICE March 1st, 2023

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

*please stand

Opening Music

Order of Worship

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: The Lord is near to those who call.

Congregation: Oh, come let us worship the Lord.

Pastor: God is an intimate companion, whose love is an expression of joy, connection, and forgiveness

Congregation: We love in this world; the people and things close to us and we seek to serve them.

Pastor: This is but a reflection of the true love God has for us. Lord God help us to know your forgiveness and take up the cross and follow

Invocation (Unison)

Dear God, we know that you are and always will be forgiving and gracious. Lord God you call us again and again to new life. We ask that the forgiveness from the cross of Christ would guide our vision of service in the world.

HYMN "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" (Vs 1&2) 597

LESSON – Ephesians 4:4-6

As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

Lenten Message "Fast From Anger" Pastor John

HYMN "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" (Vs 3&4) 597

PRAYER LITANY

Pastor: Accomplish in us, O God, the work of your salvation

Congregation: Help us to forgive as we have received forgiveness.

Pastor: Inspire us by the cross and passion of your Son our Lord,

Congregation: Bring us with all your saints to the joy of his resurrection.

Pastor: Forgive us Lord, for at times we don't know what we are doing. The cross event is lifted up this day calling us to newer and richer relationship with vision, for life eternal. Continue to draw us nearer, O Lord, and help us to see more clearly the need for self-control when tempted by the world. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

The Benediction

<u>A moment in silence for reflection</u>

Closing Music



FOR MAN'S ANGER DOES NOT BRING ABOUT THE RIGHTEOUS LIFE THAT GOD DESIRES. JAMES 1:20

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