

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer. Psalm 19:14

Third Sunday in Lent

March 4, 2018 8:30 A.M. and 11:00 A.M.

The third covenant in this year's Lenten readings is the central one of Israel's history: the gift of the law to those God freed from slavery. The ten commandments are one of the chief parts of Luther's catechism, a core piece of baptismal instruction. They begin with the statement that because God alone has freed us from the powers that oppressed us, we are to let nothing else claim first place in our lives. When Jesus throws the merchants out of the temple, he is defending the worship of God alone and rejecting the ways commerce and profit-making can become our gods.

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HOLY COMMUNION

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW) Setting Five

+ GATHERING +

ACCLAMATION

Mark Mummert/Timothy Olsen

Let your steadfast love come to us, O Lord.
Save us as you promised; we will trust your word.
We proclaim Christ crucified,
The power of God and the wisdom of God.

OPENING PRELUDE Prelude on a Welsh Hymn Tune

Bruce Tippette

Adult Handbell Choir

We stand.

RINGING OF THE BELL

ACCLAMATION

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

We stand. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

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

Amen.

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. **Amen.**

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,

have mercy on us.

We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin.

We are truly sorry and humbly repent.

In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do.

Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved.

In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Amen.

The assembly turns to face the cross as it enters the sanctuary, following the cross as we have followed Jesus into this holy place and time of corporate worship.

GATHERING HYMN 727 Lord Christ, When First You Came to Earth

MIT FREUDEN ZART

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.

KYRIE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

After the prayer the assembly responds: Amen.

We sit.

WELCOME

+ WORD+

FIRST READING Exodus 20:1-17

God spoke all these words: I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments. You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it. Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

The word of the Lord. The assembly responds: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 19



¹The heavens declare the glo- | ry of God, and the sky proclaims its | maker's handiwork.

²One day tells its tale | to another,

and one night imparts knowledge | to another.

³Although they have no words or language, and their voices are not heard,

⁴their sound has gone out into all lands, and their message to the ends ¹ of the world, where God has pitched a tent ¹ for the sun.

⁵It comes forth like a bridegroom out [|] of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to [|] run its course.

⁶It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of [|] it again; nothing is hidden from its [|] burning heat.

⁷The teaching of the LORD is perfect and re- | vives the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom | to the simple.

⁸The statutes of the LORD are just and re- ¹ joice the heart; the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light ¹ to the eyes.

The fear of the LORD is clean and en- dures forever;

the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous | altogether.

10 More to be desired are they than gold, more than | much fine gold,

sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.

¹¹By them also is your ser- | vant enlightened, and in keeping them there is | great reward.

12Who can detect one's own offenses?

Cleanse me from my | secret faults.

¹³Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion | over me;

then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a | great offense.

¹⁴Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable | in your sight,

O LORD, my strength and | my redeemer.

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

The word of the Lord. *The assembly responds:* **Thanks be to God.**

We stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL John 2:13-22

The holy gospel according to Saint John.



The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

The gospel of the Lord.



We sit.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Pastor Wollner

SERMON

Vicar Norris

We stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY 655 Son of God, Eternal Savior

IN BABILONE

APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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 INTERCESSION

Renewed in the promises of baptism, let us pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

Each portion of the prayers concludes:

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Trusting in your covenant of mercy, O God, we lift our prayers to you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

PEACE

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say Peace be with you or similar words.

Please be considerate of those who may be reluctant to shake hands in this flu season.

We sit.

+ MEAL+

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM O Lord, Increase My Faith

Henry Loosemore

O Lord, increase my faith, strengthen me and confirm me in thy true faith; Endue me with wisdom, charity, and patience in all my adversities. Sweet Jesus, say Amen.

We stand.

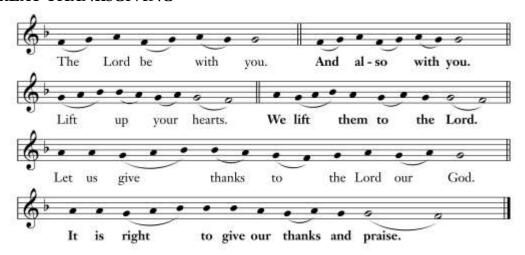
OFFERTORY HYMN



Let us pray.

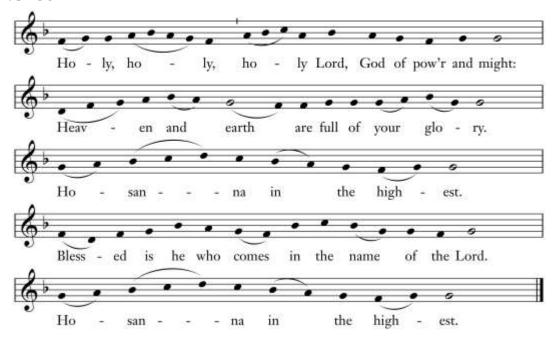
Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING



It is indeed right, our duty and our joy . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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.

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.

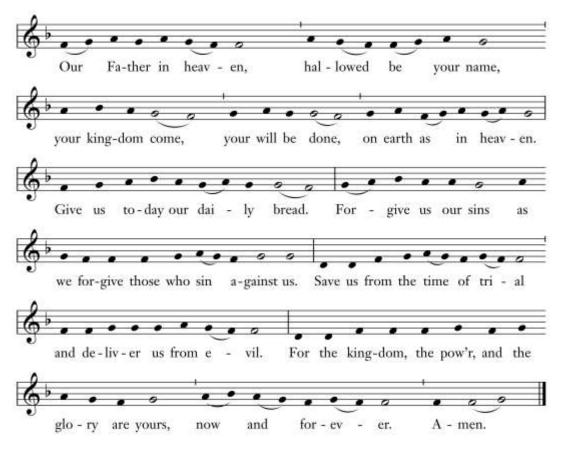
Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.



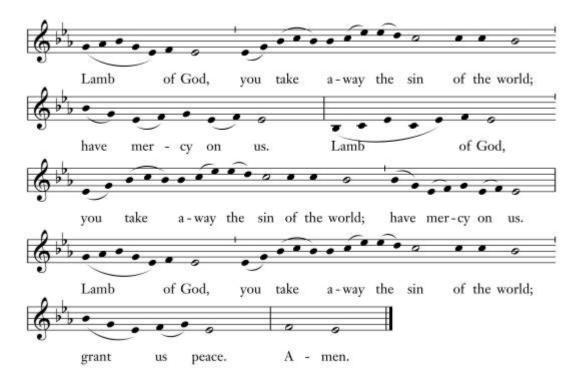
The presiding minister lifts the bread and cup and says

When we eat this bread, we share the body of Christ. When we drink this cup, we share the blood of Christ.

The assembly responds

Reveal yourself to us, O Lord, in the breaking of bread, as once you revealed yourself to your disciples.

AGNUS DEI



We sit.

COMMUNION

Today we will be communing by intinction. Receive the bread and dip it in the wine. Gluten-free wafers are available on the organ side of the church. Visitors and children are welcome to receive communion. Those who have never communed and would like to are encouraged to talk to a pastor. All who do not receive communion are welcomed forward to receive a blessing.

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

and each person may respond Amen.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

HYMN 337 Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed **HYMN** 793 Be Thou My Vision

MARTYRDOM SLANE

We stand.

TABLE BLESSING

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

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE



Let us pray.

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people.

Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

+ SENDING +

BLESSING



The assembly faces the cross as it leaves the sanctuary, following the cross as we follow Jesus into the world. All remain facing the cross for the dismissal.

SENDING HYMN 652 Built on a Rock

KIRKEN DEN ER ET GAMMELT HUS

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY As Jesus Hung upon the Cross, BWV 621

J.S. Bach

Soli Deo Gloria

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Providing Service Sunday

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Acolytes

8:30 Abby Blanks and Julia Grossnickle

11:00 Emma Auch and Ethan Olsen

Crucifers

8:30 Emma Blanks

11:00 Harrison Hickman

Offering Bearer

Faith Cashion

Liturgists

8:30 Peggy Sturgis

11:00 Bruce Xu

Lay Readers

8:30 Rob McOuat

11:00 Dick Schneider

Communion Assistants

8:30 Joanna Britt and Marty Tanyi

11:00 Art DeBaugh and Nanette Shutt

Nursery

8:30 Jen Seeba

SS Mary Lou Leonard

11:00 Susan Peatross

Ushers

8:30 John Collins, Susan Doran,

Steve Lineberger and Roger Riggs

11:00 Carrol Epting, Pat Holland,

Jack Strandhoy and TBD

Visitors Welcoming Table & Greeters

8:30 Paul Meyer and Sheila Oppel

11:00 Claire Ohanessian

Sunday Morning Fellowship

The Kinleys

Oblation Bearers

8:30 Damion and Kara Richardson

11:00 TBD

Assisting Ministers

8:30 Jami Cuka

11:00 Barbara Gerhard

Preaching

Vicar Norris

Presiding

Pastor Wollner

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Preaching and Presiding

Pastor Wollner

Announcements

WELCOME all who enter the Lord's house this day! We invite you to fill out the Friendship Register found on each pew. If you are visiting Augsburg, please stop by the Visitor Welcoming Table after today's service to pick up a welcome package. The visitor's table is located at the bottom of the ramp leading to the lobby.

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God in loving memory of James Coty Nelson by David and Ruth Kinley.

The bulletins are given to the glory of God in loving memory of my parents, Viena and Sydney Julian, by Nancy Julian.

On the center aisle of each pew is a folder known as the "Friendship Register." Please sign the register and check if you are communing today. Be sure to review the sheet to identify visitors. Please hand the completed pages from the register to an usher during the singing of the Hymn of the Day.

Our Homebound Member is Mrs. Marylynn Sloop, 118 North Harbor Watch Drive, Statesville, NC 28677. Please send Marylynn a note.

Church Work Day: Saturday, March 17, 2018 beginning at 9:00 A.M.

Mark your calendars! Please join us for the next WELCOME gathering on Monday, March 19 at Paul's Italian restaurant on Robinhood Rd. Drop by between 4:30 and 6 P.M. to enjoy fellowship and wine, and feel free to stay later than 6 for dinner! All women are welcome!

Opening day is right around the corner! Augsburg competes in both a men's softball league as well as a co-ed softball league. Men play on Monday nights and co-ed plays on Thursday nights. If interested please e-mail Stephen Andrews at s.andrews589@gmail.com by March 23.

Help us fill the Easter Eggs! Donations of individually wrapped candy can be dropped off in the office by March 25. Please remember that candy donations should **NOT** contain nuts.

Readings for next week: Numbers 21:4-9; Psalm 107:1-3; 17-22; Ephesians 2:1-10; John 3:14-21.

Worship attendance for services last week: 145 at 8:30; 173 at 11:00; 14 visitors.

AUGSBURG BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

"O. M. Genesis" Study: Pastor Paul's Bible Study meets Mondays at 10:45 A.M. in the Sid Sowers Classroom.

Continue in My Word is an Adult Weekly Bible Study held Monday evenings at 6:00 P.M. in the Youth Area. Bring your Bible.

7:18 Youth Bible Study meets Wednesday evenings at various locations.

Order your Easter Lilies. Easter lily dedication forms are available on the Greeters table outside the Gathering Room, outside of the Family Life Center, and in the church office. The **deadline** for your dedication is **March 9**.

Calendar for March 4-March 11

Calendar for March 4–March 11	
4 Third Sunday in Lent	7 Wednesday cont'd.
8:30a Service of Holy Communion	7:30p Emotions Anonymous
(Sanctuary)	(Lounge)
9:45a Fellowship Breakfast	7:30p Adult Choir II
10:00a Sunday School	(Music Suite)
11:00a Service of Holy Communion	8:00p High School Coffee Hour
(Sanctuary)	
3:30p Music Exploration Class	8 Thursday
(Youth Choir Room)	10:00a Quilt Ministry
4:00p Confirmation Class	(Youth Area)
(Various Locations)	6:15p Adult Choir I
4:00p Jubilate Choir Rehearsal	(Music Suite)
(Youth Choir Room)	6:30p Finance Team Meeting
5:00p Lobchor rehearsal	(Covenant Classroom)
(Adult Choir Room)	7:30p Council Meeting
5:45p Youth Group	(Youth Area)
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,	11 Fourth Sunday in Lent
5 Monday	8:30a Service of Holy Communion
10:45a Pastor Paul's Bible Study	(Sanctuary)
(Sid Sowers Classroom)	9:45a Fellowship Breakfast
6:00p Adult Handbell Choir	10:00a Sunday School
(Handbell Room)	11:00a Service of Holy Communion
6:00p Continue in My Word	(Sanctuary)
(Youth Area)	3:30p Music Exploration Class
6:15p Evangelism Team Meeting	(Youth Choir Room)
(Covenant Classroom)	4:00p Confirmation Class
6:30p Fellowship Team Meeting	(Various Locations)
(Discovery Classroom)	4:00p Jubilate Choir Rehearsal
	(Youth Choir Room)
6 Tuesday	5:00p Lobchor rehearsal
7:00p S.I.S.	(Adult Choir Room)
(Youth Area)	5:45p Youth Group
	(Youth Area)
7 Wednesday	
6:30a Bagels!	
(Bagel Station)	
6:00p Lenten Dinner	
(Family Life Center)	
7:00p Lenten Compline Service	
(Sanctuary)	

(Sanctuary)

Wednesdays in Lent

No reservations are required. Meals will be served at 6:00 P.M. Services begin at 7:00 P.M. Love offerings will be collected.

Wednesday, March 7

6:00 P.M. Dinner – Chili (Wingz Men's Group) 7:00 P.M. Service of Compline Faith Journey – Elizabeth Chéron

Wednesday, March 14

6:00 P.M. Dinner – Chicken Pie (Sid Sowers Class) 7:00 P.M. Service of Compline Faith Journey – Roger Hill

Wednesday, March 21

6:00 P.M. Dinner – Lasagna (Covenant Class) 7:00 P.M. Service of Compline Faith Journey - Pastor Paul A. Wollner

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