



*1 Corinthians 1:18-25*

## **Augsburg Lutheran Church**

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### **Third Sunday in Lent**

March 3, 2024

8:30 AM

### **✠ GATHERING ✠**

**PRELUDE** Diapason Movement (Grave)

John Keeble

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**ACCLAMATION**

text: Herman Stuempfle  
music: William Stevens

We join, O Christ, your journey these solemn forty days,  
for though a kingdom beckoned, you chose imperiled ways.  
Christ, keep your cross before us till ours we daily bear  
and walk with you to Calv'ry the pain of God to share.

**RINGING OF THE BELL**

*We stand.*

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*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 writes the law on our hearts,  
who draws all people together through Jesus.

**Amen.**

Held in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Holy God,  
**we confess that we are caught in snares of sin  
and cannot break free.  
We hoard resources while our neighbors  
are hungry and cold.  
We speak in ways that silence others.  
We are silent when we should speak up.  
We keep score in our hearts.  
We let hurts grow into hatred.  
For all these things and for sins only you know,  
forgive us, Lord.  
Amen.**

Here is a flood of grace:  
Out of love for the whole world,  
God draws near to us,  
breaks every snare of sin,  
washes away our wrongs,  
and restores the promise of life through † Jesus Christ.  
**Amen.**

**GATHERING HYMN** 652 Built on a Rock

KIRKEN DEN ER ET GAMMELT HUS

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.**

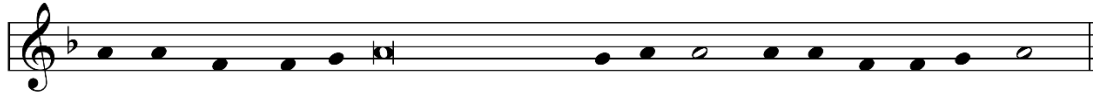
**KYRIE**



In peace let us pray to the Lord.



Lord have mer - cy.



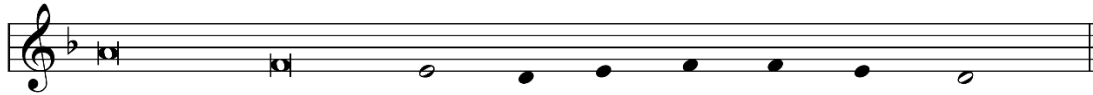
For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - va - tion, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord have mer - cy.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord have mer - cy.



For this ho - ly house, and for all who of - fer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, com - fort and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

*We sit.*



<sup>13</sup>Above 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.  
<sup>14</sup>Let 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.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

*We stand.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Let your stead - fast love come to us, O Lord.

Save us as you prom - ised; we will trust your word.

**GOSPEL** John 2:13-22

The holy gospel according to John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

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.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*We sit.*

**SERMON**

Vicar Hannah Norem

*We stand.*

**HYMN OF THE DAY** 856 How Great Thou Art

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**THANKSGIVING AT THE CONCLUSION OF INTERNSHIP**

## **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**

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.

*Each portion of the prayers concludes:*

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

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

**Amen.**

## **SHARING OF THE PEACE**

*We sit.*

## **CHILDREN'S TIME**

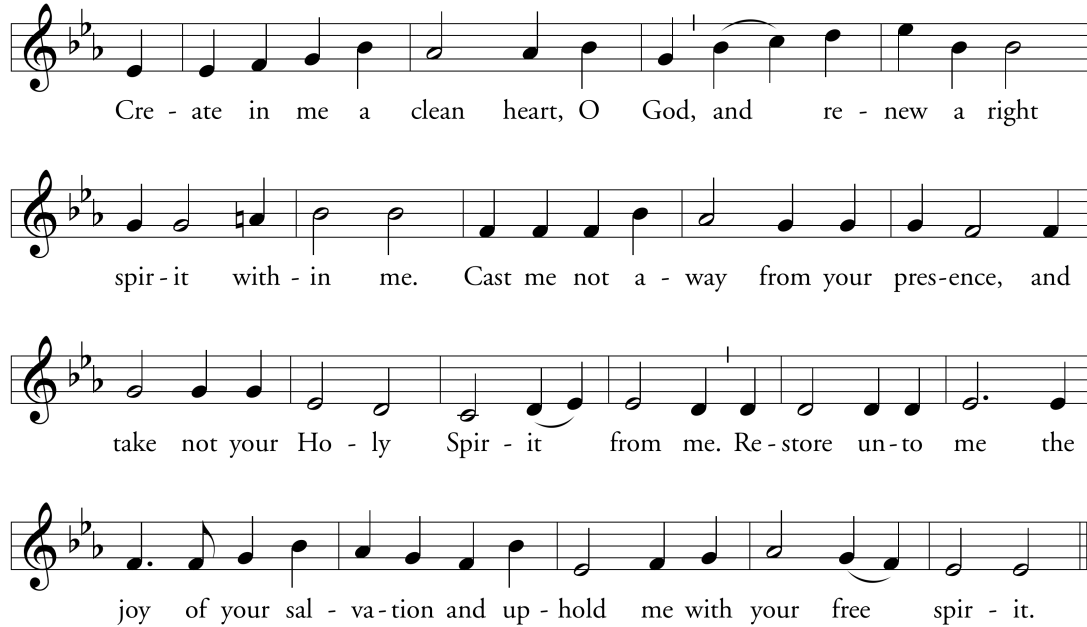
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## ✠ MEAL ✠

### OFFERING

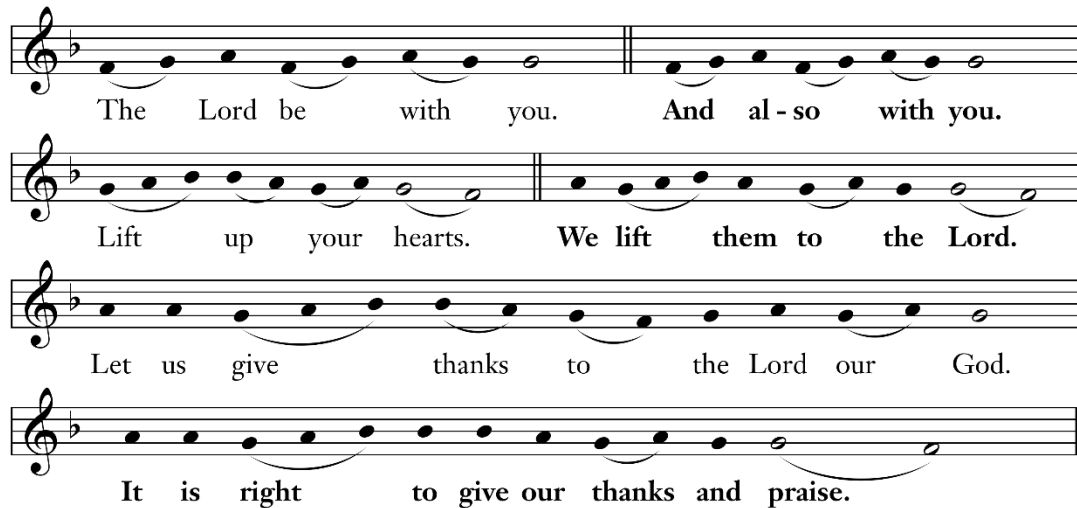
*The offering plates are brought forward during the offertory hymn in recognition that we are all invited to participate in sharing the abundance that God has first given us. The plates are in the back of the sanctuary for you to drop off your offering as you enter or leave the service. We recognize that many share their financial gifts online or at different frequencies; the communal act of bringing the plates forward connects us in our giving, no matter how we share.*

### OFFERTORY HYMN



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 un - to me the  
joy of your sal - va - tion and up - hold me with your free spir - it.

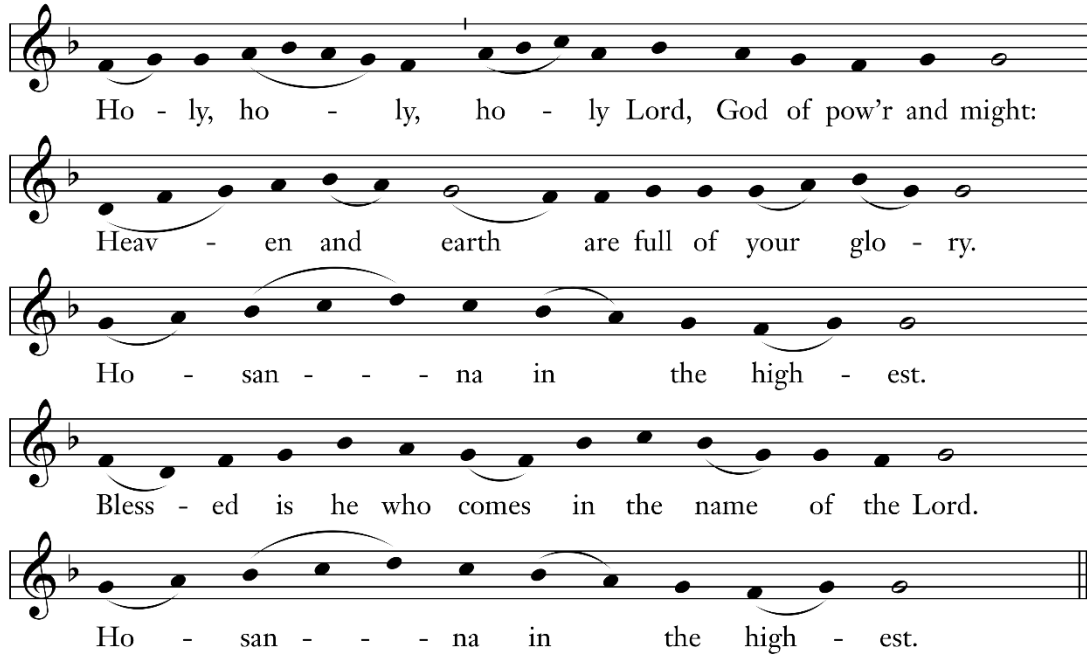
### GREAT THANKSGIVING



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.  
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy . . . 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 in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Ho - san - - - na in the high - est.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.



## THE LORD'S PRAYER

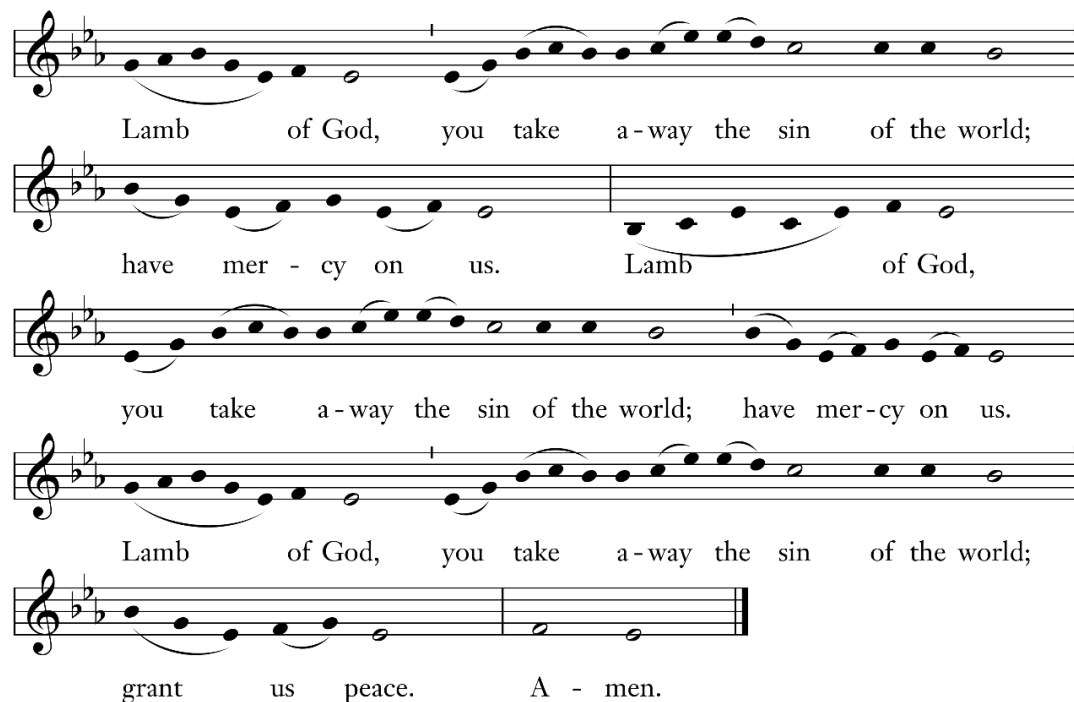
Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:



Our Fa-ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be your name,  
your king-dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav - en.  
Give us to-day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins as  
we for-give those who sin a-gainst us. Save us from the time of tri - al  
and de-liv-er us from e - vil. For the king-dom, the pow'r, and the  
glo - ry are yours, now and for - ev - er. A - men.

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

### AGNUS DEI



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;  
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,  
you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;  
grant us peace. A - men.

*We sit.*

## COMMUNION

*You are invited forward to receive the bread and wine through the method of intinction. Please let an usher know if you need a gluten-free wafer. The pastors will come to the pews of those unable to come forward. Those who would like to receive a blessing instead of communion are asked to cross their hands over their chest when they come forward.*

## MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

### ANTHEM My Song Is Love Unknown

text: Samuel Crossman

My song is love unknown, My Savior's love to me;      music: RHOSYMEDRE, setting: Carl Schalk  
Love to the loveless shown That they might lovely be.  
O who am I, That for my sake My Lord should take Frail flesh and die?  
He came from His blest throne Salvation to bestow;  
But all made strange, and none The longed-for Christ would know.  
But O my Friend, My Friend indeed, Who at my need His life did spend!  
Here might I stay and sing, No story so divine;  
Never was love, dear King, Never was grief like Thine.  
This is my Friend, In whose sweet praise I all my days Could gladly spend.

*We stand.*

## TABLE BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

**Amen.**

## POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

Now, Lord, you let your ser - vant go in peace: your word has  
been ful-filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion  
which you have pre-pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple:  
a light to re - veal you to the na - tions  
and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.  
Glo-ry to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Spir-it,  
as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er.  
A - men.

Let us pray.

Generous God, at this table we have tasted your immeasurable grace. As grains of wheat are gathered into one bread, now make us one loaf to feed the world; in the name of Jesus, the Bread of life.

**Amen.**

## ✠ SENDING ✠

### **BLESSING**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**Amen.**

**SENDING HYMN** 705 God of Grace and God of Glory

CWM RHONDDA

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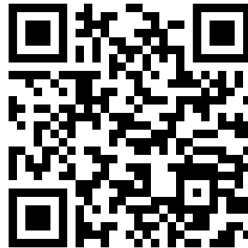
Go in peace. Remember the poor.

**Thanks be to God.**

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY** God of Grace and God of Glory

Paul Manz

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