



In the order of service, the words that are spoken by a leader are in regular type.

**Words spoken by the assembly are in boldface type.**

For music, the words will be sung by the cantor and musicians **while the congregation hums.**

*Instructions for in-person worship.*

- ) Keep your mask on at all times.*
- ) Hum but do not sing the hymns.*
- ) Please keep a social distance of at least six feet from persons not in your same household.*
- ) Enjoy the presence of one another. As we “speak the peace,” wave, smile, make the sign of the Cross. Please do not embrace, hug, kiss, or elbow-bump anyone but for immediate family members you are seated with.*
- ) In using the restrooms, follow the capacity guidance posted outside the restroom doors. Practice safe hygiene by washing your hands with soap and water before leaving a restroom, and disinfecting your hands using a no-touch disinfectant dispenser located outside the restrooms.*
- ) Please do not attend worship if are currently sick with any of the following symptoms: fever, cough, sore throat, shortness of breath, nausea, or diarrhea.*
- ) Please do not attend worship if you had close personal contact with anyone who has been diagnosed or is awaiting test results for COVID-19 in the past 14 days.*
- ) Notify the Church Office if you receive a positive COVID-19 test result within 7 days of attending a worship service. Your name will be kept anonymous unless required for reporting to the Department of Health.*

# THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

*Sunday, March 7, 2021 • 10:45 a.m.*

Prelude

Welcome

Announcements

# Confession and Forgiveness

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

*All may make the sign of the cross +,  
the sign marked at baptism,  
as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,  
who looks upon us in compassion,  
forgives our sin,  
and heals our lives.

**Amen.**

Have mercy, O God,

**against you, you alone, we have sinned.**

**In your compassion, cleanse us from our sin  
and take away our guilt.**

**Create in us a new heart and give us a steadfast spirit.**

**Do not cast us away, but fill us with your Holy Spirit  
and restore your joy within us. Amen.**

As tender as parent to child, so deep is God's compassion for you.

As high as heaven is above earth, so vast is God's love for you.

As far as east is from west, so far God removes your sin from you,  
renewing your life through Jesus Christ.

Blessed be God who crowns us with mercy and love.

**Blessed be God forever. Amen.**

# Gathering Song • “Be Still and Know”

*Worship & Rejoice 450*

1 Be still and know that I am God,  
2 The Lord Al - might - y is our God,  
3 In you, O Lord, we put our trust.

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# 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.**

## Kyrie • "Lord, Have Mercy"

*All Creation Sings, Setting 12*

The musical score is written on three staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The first staff contains the lyrics 'Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.' The second staff contains 'Chris - te e - lei - son. Christ, have mer - cy.' The third staff contains 'Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.' The score ends with a double bar line.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

Chris - te e - lei - son. Christ, have mer - cy.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.



# Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Holy God,  
through your Son you have called us  
to live faithfully and act courageously.

Keep us steadfast in your covenant of grace,  
and teach us the wisdom that comes  
only through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

# First Reading

A reading from Exodus.

## 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.

**Thanks be to God.**



# Psalm 19 • “The Precepts of the Lord”

*The Lyric Psalter, Year B • OneLicense #97883*

*Cantor and musicians sing verses;*

***congregation hums refrain while cantor/musicians sing.***

The pre - cepts of the Lord give

joy to the heart. The pre - cepts of the

Lord give joy to the heart.

The law of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul.  
The decrees of the Lord are steadfast; they give wisdom to the simple.  
***Refrain.***

The fear of the Lord is pure, abiding forever.  
The judgements of the Lord are true; they are, all of them, just.  
***Refrain.***

So in them your servant finds instruction; great reward is in their keeping.  
Who can detect their own errors? From hidden faults acquit me.  
***Refrain.***

From presumption restrain your servant; may it not rule me.  
Then shall I be blameless, clean from grave sin.  
***Refrain.***

# Second Reading

A reading from First Corinthians.

## 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.

**Thanks be to God.**

# Gospel Acclamation • “Lenten Acclamation”

*All Creation Sings, Setting 12*



Noth-ing in all cre - a - tion can sep-a-rate us from the love of God.



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# Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

John 2:13-22

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 our Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

# Sermon

Pastor Briana R. Merkle.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*





# Hymn of the Day • “Canticle of the Turning”

*Evangelical Lutheran Worship 723*



1 My soul cries out with a joy - ful shout that the  
2 Though I am small, my . . . God, my all, you . . .



God of my heart is great, and my spir - it sings of the  
work great . . things in me, and your mer - cy will last from the



won - drous things that you bring to the ones who wait.  
depths of the past to the end of the age to be.



You fixed your sight on your ser - vant's plight, and my  
Your ver - y name puts the proud to shame, and to



weak-ness you did not spurn, so from east to west shall my  
those who would for you yearn, you will show your might, put the



name be blest. Could the world be a - bout to turn?  
strong to flight, for the world is a - bout to turn.



My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your jus-tice burn.



Wipe a - way all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is a-bout to turn.



# Apostles' Creed

Together, we confess our faith.

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended into hell.  
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 the Church

“Christian perfection is to fear God earnestly with the whole heart and yet also to have a sincere confidence, faith, and trust that we have a gracious, merciful God because of Jesus Christ; that we may and should pray for and request from God whatever we need and confidently expect help from God in all affliction.” [*The Augsburg Confession*]

Relying on the promises of God, we pray boldly for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

*At the conclusion of each petition:*

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases,  
**God’s mercies never come to an end.**

We entrust ourselves and all our prayers to you,  
O faithful God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## Sharing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

# Offering

We give to the Lord of our tithes and offerings.

*You can mail an offering to:*

Mountain View Lutheran Church  
3505 - 122nd Ave E  
Edgewood WA 98372

*Ways that you can give electronically:*

## TEXT

- Text “Give” to 253-292-9599.
- You will be sent a message to (a) text your giving amount and/or (b) set up recurring giving.

## ONLINE via the MVLC WEBSITE

- Visit [www.mtviewlutheran.org](http://www.mtviewlutheran.org).
- Hover over the “GIVE” dropdown.
- Choose “Make a Donation via Bank Account” or “Make a Donation via Credit/Debit Card.”
- Fill out all information on the page and then click the blue “GIVE” button.
- If you want it to remember your information, visit “SIGN IN” and create an account.
- NOTE: Online giving is a one-time gift unless you check “Make this Gift Recurring.”

# Offertory

# Offering Prayer

Together, we pray.

**Faithful God,**  
**you walk beside us in desert places,**  
**and you meet us in our hunger with bread from heaven.**  
**Accompany us in this meal,**  
**that we may pass over from death to life**  
**with Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

# Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

We 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, at all times and in all places  
to give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,  
through our Savior Jesus Christ.

You call your people to cleanse their hearts  
and prepare with joy for the paschal feast,  
that, renewed in the gift of baptism,  
we indeed come to the fullness of your grace.

And so, with all the choirs of angels,  
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

# Sanctus • “Holy, Holy, Holy”

*All Creation Sings, Setting 12*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and

God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your

glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the

Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

# Thanksgiving at the Table

O God how majestic is your name in all the earth.  
We praise you for the heart of Jesus,  
so filled with your love for this earth.

**Amen.**

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.

O God, send forth your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.  
Strengthen us for our journey with this meal, the body and blood of Christ.  
Give us a future that trusts in you and cares for your earth.

**Amen, and amen.**

# Lord's Prayer

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

**Our Father in heaven,**

**hallowed be your name,**

**your kingdom come,**

**your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

## Communion

Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.



# Lamb of God • “Lamb of God”

*All Creation Sings, Setting 12*

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, grant us peace.

## Prayer after Communion

God of steadfast love,  
at this table you gather your people  
into one body for the sake of the world.  
Send us in the power of your Spirit,  
that our lives bear witness to the love that has made us new  
in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

# Deacon Sending

Deacons are called to “make Christ  
and his redemptive love known by word and example.”

Such love is expressed in the extension of Holy Communion  
to those who are homebound or hospitalized,  
and often lonely as well.

*Deacons for the week are named.*

Gracious God,

**whose glory is revealed in the crucified and risen Lord,  
bless those who go forth  
to share your word and sacrament  
with our sisters and brothers who are sick and homebound.**

**In your love and care, nourish and strengthen  
those to whom we bring this communion  
in the body and blood of your Son,  
that all may feast upon your abundant love  
made known in Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**Amen.**

# Blessing

You are what God made you to be:  
created in Christ Jesus for good works,  
chosen as holy and beloved,  
freed to serve your neighbor.

God bless you + that you may be a blessing,  
in the name of the holy and life-giving Trinity.

**Amen.**

# Sending Hymn • “The God of Abraham Praise”

*Evangelical Lutheran Worship 831*



1 The God of A - br'ham praise, who reigns en - throned a - bove;  
2 The God of A - br'ham praise! At your su - preme com - mand  
3 The God of A - br'ham praise! Your all - suf - fi - cient grace



An - cient of ev - er - last - ing days, and God of love—  
from earth I rise and seek the joys at your right hand.  
shall guide me all my pil - grim days in all my ways.



“I Am the One I Am”—by earth and heav'n con - fessed;  
I all on earth for - sake—its wis - dom, fame, and pow'r—  
You deign to call me friend; you call your - self my God!



I bow and bless the sa - cred name for - ev - er blest.  
and you my on - ly por - tion make, my shield and tow'r.  
And you will save me to the end through Je - sus' blood.

# Sending

Go in peace. Share the good news.

**Thanks be to God.**

# Postlude

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## PARK 'N' PONDER LENTEN MIDWEEK WORSHIP

**7:00 p.m. • Wednesday evenings • MVLC parking lot**

3/10 • Lenten midweek #3

### PAUSE

Psalm 46. Habakkuk 2:1-3.

3/17 • Lenten midweek #4

### PRAISE

Psalm 146. Romans 14:7-12.

3/24 • Lenten midweek #5

### PROCLAIM

Psalm 136. Romans 10:8-17.

