



If it bears fruit next year, well and good;
but if not, you can cut it down.

Welcome to Worship

Please turn off all cell phones.

If you are visiting with us today, we extend to you a particular welcome and invite your questions and comments.

Our entire worship service is printed in this worship folder for your convenience. Please ask an usher if you would prefer a **Large Print Worship Folder**.

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Words spoken by the assembly are in boldface type.

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Third Sunday in
Lent

Sunday, March 20, 2022 • 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

Prelude

Announcements

Stand.

Call to Worship

Everyone who thirsts:

**Come to the water,
seek the Lord,
repent and return
so that you may live.**

All who are hungry for righteousness:

**Come to the water,
seek the Lord,
repent and return
so that you may live.**

All who need the help of God:

**Come to the water,
seek the Lord,
repent and return
so that you may live.**

Call to Confession

The Scriptures call us to turn from sinful ways
and return to God,
who offers mercy and pardon.
Trusting in that mercy, let us call upon God who is near.

Kneel or stand.

Prayer of Confession

**Holy God,
we confess that we have grown complacent
in our response to you.**

**You set before us a rich feast of blessing,
but we are drawn to lesser things that cannot satisfy.**

**You call us to attend to urgent needs in the world,
but we indulge our own desires.**

**Our ways are not your ways;
our thoughts do not ascent to your thoughts.**

Forgive us when we fall short of your claim upon our lives.

**Disturb our complacency and quicken our desire
for a more fruitful life.**

**Be patient, we pray, as we amend who we are,
in the hope of becoming who you intend us to be.**

**We ask this in the name of our Savior,
your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Declaration of Forgiveness

God's love is sure and steadfast,
always providing a way out,
a way through,
a way back to God.

**Through the waters of baptism,
we have died with Christ and are raised with him.**

**With gratitude, in faith,
we will walk the way of Christ.**

Stand.

Kyrie • "Lord, Have Mercy"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 157

Leader

In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Assembly

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have

For the reign of God, and for

mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

peace through-out the world, for the u-ni-ty of all, let us pray to the

Lord.

For your

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

peo - ple here who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your

word, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have

Help, save, and de - fend us, O God.
mer - cy. A - men.

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.

Opening Hymn • “Glories of Your Name Are Spoken”

Lutheran Book of Worship 358



1 Glo - ries of your name are spo - ken, Zi - on, cit - y of our God;
2 See, the streams of liv - ing wa - ters, spring - ing from e - ter - nal love,
3 Round each hab - i - ta - tion hov - 'ring, see the cloud and fire ap - pear
4 Sav - ior, since of Zi - on's cit - y I through grace a mem - ber am,



he whose word can - not be bro - ken formed you for his own a - bode.
well sup - ply your sons and daugh - ters, and all fear of want re - move.
for a glo - ry and a cov - 'ring, show - ing that the Lord is near.
let the world de - ride or pit - y, I will glo - ry in your name.



On the Rock of A - ges found - ed, what can shake your sure re - pose?
Who can faint, while such a riv - er ev - er will their thirst as - suage?
Thus de - riv - ing from their ban - ner light by night and shade by day,
Fad - ing are the world - lings' plea - sures, all their boast - ed pomp and show;



With sal - va - tion's walls sur - round - ed, you may smile at all your foes.
Grace which, like the Lord, the giv - er, nev - er fails from age to age.
safe they feed up - on the man - na which God gives them on their way.
sol - id joys and last - ing trea - sures none but Zi - on's chil - dren know.

Prayer of the Day

Eternal God, your kingdom has broken into our troubled world through the life, death, and resurrection of your Son. Help us to hear your word and obey it, and bring your saving love to fruition in our lives, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Sit.

First Reading

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

Isaiah 55:1-9

Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.

Seek the LORD while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the LORD, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 63

Psalms for All Seasons

Cantor sings refrain; then all repeat.

Cantor sings verses; congregation sings refrain.

My soul thirsts for God, the liv - ing God. My
soul thirsts for God, the liv - ing God.

O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you;
my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you,
as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.
Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place,
that I might behold your power and your glory.
For your steadfast love is better than life itself;
my lips shall give you praise. **Refrain.**

So I will bless you as long as I live
and lift up my hands in your name.
My spirit is content, as with the richest of foods,
and my mouth praises you with joyful lips,
when I remember you upon my bed,
and meditate upon you in the night watches. **Refrain.**

For you have been my helper,
and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice.
My whole being clings to you;
your right hand holds me fast. **Refrain.**

Second Reading

A reading from the first letter to the Corinthians.

1 Corinthians 10:1-13

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness.

Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play." We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand.

Gospel Acclamation • “Let Your Steadfast Love”

Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Holy Communion Setting 8



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



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



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



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

Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Luke 13:1-9

At that very time there were some present who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. [Jesus] asked them, “Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them—do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did.”

Then he told this parable: “A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, ‘See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?’ He replied, ‘Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.’”

The Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit.

Sermon

Pastor Eric Bostrom.

Stand.

Hymn of the Day • "One Day, the News Was Grim"

Carolyn Winfrey Gillette

One day, the news was grim: Some peo - ple sought the Lord to
Then Je - sus turned to say: It's no - thing they did wrong that
O God, we pray for help to see what we should change, to
In Christ, we see your grace: You give us one more day a -

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tell of Ga - li - le - ans killed by Pi - late's sword. "Is
means their loved ones now are sing - ing mourn - ful songs. And
see the val - ues we our - selves should re - ar - range. Now
noth - er op - por - tu - ni - ty to live your way. May

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an - y one to blame? Is this be - cause they sinned?" When
yet you know it's true that tra - gic things a - bound; Since
help us know our sin, the good we've left un - done, The
we a - gain re - pent and turn our lives to you, And

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e - ver there is trou - ble peo - ple ask a - gain.
life is fra - gile, now's the time to turn a - round!
times when you have looked for fruit and we've borne none.
may we love our neigh - bors more and bear much fruit.

Apostles' Creed

Together, we confess our faith.

**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 power of 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 the Church

Drawn close to the heart of God,
we offer these prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

At the conclusion of each petition:

Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Accept the prayers we bring, O God,
on behalf of a world in need, for the sake of Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Sharing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Sit.

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

You can give electronically:

ONLINE via the MVLC WEBSITE

-) Visit www.mtviewlutheran.org.
-) Hover over the “GIVE” dropbox.
-) 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.”

For those worshipping in person, you are invited to leave your offering in the offering plates located in the side aisles as you come forward for Holy Communion.

Offertory

10:45 a.m.

“As the Deer”

MVLC Sanctuary Choir; Joan Kohler, flute

Stand.

Offering Prayer

Together, we pray.

**Extravagant God,
you have blessed us with the fullness of creation.
Now we gather at your feast
where you offer us the food that satisfies.
Take and use what we offer here, come among us,
and feed us with the body and blood of Christ,
in whose name we pray. 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,
that we should at all times and in all places
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 may 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"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Holy Communion Setting 8



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho-
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -
est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Words of Institution

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

Here is food and drink for the journey.
Take and be filled.

Sit.

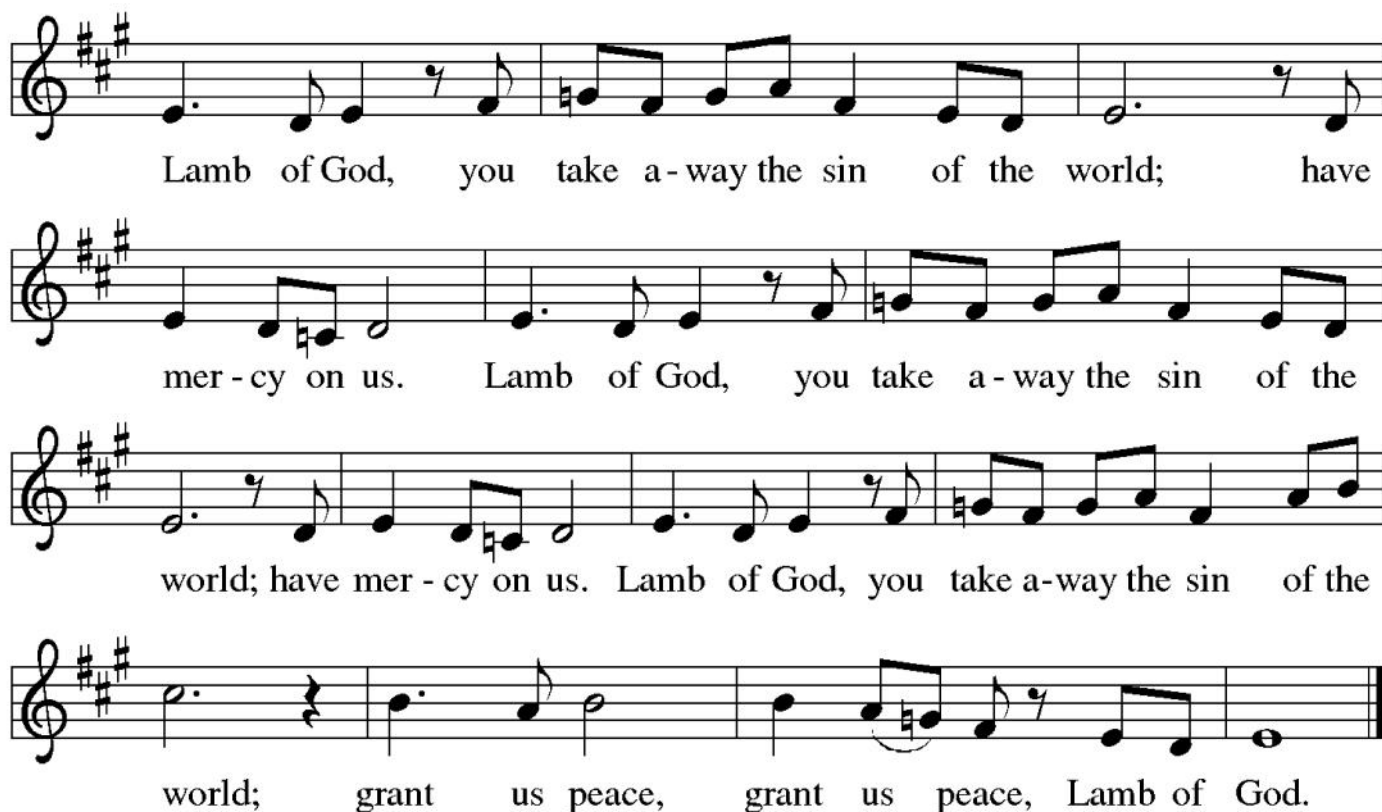
Distribution

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the body and blood of Jesus Christ. If you are unable to come forward for communion, then please let an usher know and you will be served where you are seated.

If gluten-free wafers are required for health reasons, then please ask the pastor serving communion for a wafer.

Lamb of God • “Lamb of God”

Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Holy Communion Setting 8



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, Lamb of God.

Communion Hymn • "Come, Let Us Eat"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 491

Leader or All



1 Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread,
2 Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured,
3 In Je - sus' pres - ence now we meet and rest,
4 Rise, then, to spread a - broad God's might - y word,

All



come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread.
come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured.
in Je - sus' pres - ence now we meet and rest.
rise, then, to spread a - broad God's might - y word.

Leader or All



Our Lord's bod - y let us take to - geth - er,
Je - sus' blood poured let us drink to - geth - er,
In the pres - ence of our Lord we gath - er,
Je - sus ris - en will bring in the king - dom,

All



our Lord's bod - y let us take to - geth - er.
Je - sus' blood poured let us drink to - geth - er.
in the pres - ence of our Lord we gath - er.
Je - sus ris - en will bring in the king - dom.

Communion Hymn • "O Living Bread from Heaven"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 542



1 O liv - ing Bread from heav - en, how well you feed your guest!
2 My Sav - ior, you have led me with - in your ho - liest place,
3 You gave me all I want - ed; this food can death de - stroy.
4 Oh, grant me then, well - strength - ened with heav'n - ly food, while here



The gifts that you have giv - en have filled my heart with rest.
and here your - self have fed me with trea - sures of your grace;
And you have free - ly grant - ed the cup of end - less joy.
my course on earth is length - ened, to serve you, free from fear;



O won - drous food of bless - ing! O cup that heals our woes!
for you have free - ly giv - en what earth could nev - er buy,
My Lord, I do not mer - it the fa - vor you have shown,
and bring me home to praise you where none can peace de - stroy,



My heart, this gift pos - sess - ing, in thank - ful song o'er - flows!
the bread of life from heav - en, that now I shall not die.
and all my soul and spir - it bow down be - fore your throne.
where I will ev - er raise you glad songs in end - less joy.

Stand.

Prayer after Communion

Blessed Jesus,
in this rich meal of grace,
you have fed us with your body, the bread of life.
Now send us forth to bear your life-giving hope
to a world in need.

Amen.

Deacon Sending

Deacons are called to “make Christ
and his redemptive love known by word and example.” (1 Timothy)

Such love is expressed in the extension of Holy Communion
to those who are homebound or hospitalized.

Eternal 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 or homebound.
Amen.**

Blessing

You are children of God,
anointed with the oil of gladness
and strengthened for the journey.

Almighty God,
motherly, majestic, and mighty,
+ bless you this day and always.

Amen.

Sending Hymn • “Surely God Is My Salvation”

All Creation Sings 926



1 Sure - ly God is my sal - va - tion,
2 Thus with joy you shall draw wa - ter
3 Tell the na - tions of God's glo - ry,



I will trust and shall not fear. God the Lord is
from sal - va - tion's wells and springs. Sing your thanks to
make this known in all the earth. Praise the Lord, the



strong and might - y, my sal - va - tion true.
God Al - might - y for these won - drous deeds.
God of Is - rael, call up - on God's name.

Refrain



Shout a-loud and sing for joy, O daugh-ter Zi - on!



Great in your midst is the Lord, the Ho - ly One!



Shout a-loud and sing for joy, O daugh-ter Zi - on!



Great in your midst is the Lord, the Ho - ly One!

Sending

Go in peace.
Jesus meets you on the way.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Adult Education

This morning • 9:30 a.m. • Life Together Hall

First class of a five-week series.

PLU Professor Brenda Ihssen presents a class on the Eastern Orthodox Church and the Sundays in Lent.

Dr. Brenda Llewellyn Ihssen teaches courses in the history of early and medieval Christianity, and specific topics in historical theology and Eastern Orthodox Christianity. She also teaches in the International Honors program.

Her research is focused primarily on social ethics found in Greek patristic and monastic texts of the late antique/early Byzantine era. She is the author of *They Who Give From Evil: the Response of the Eastern Church to Moneylending in the Early Christian Era* (Wipf and Stock, 2012) and *John Moschos' Spiritual Meadow: Authority and Autonomy at the End of the Antique World* (Ashgate, 2014).

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-) DIRECTOR of MUSIC MINISTRIES: Brenna Sage.
-) VIDEOGRAPHER: David Burch.
-) ALTAR GUILD: Marie Philipsen, Dotty Shireman, Sandi Swanson, Betsy Tunstall.

8:15 a.m.

-) USHERS: Skip Harrison, Janet Larson, Ken Swanson (head usher).
-) GREETERS: Terry Freed, Walt Freed.
-) COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Anne Roff, Sandi Swanson.
-) LECTOR: Mary Quinn.
-) SOUND: Karen Fink.

10:45 a.m.

-) USHERS: Mark Cantrell (head usher), John Dahle, Keith Wright.
-) ACOLYTES: Camdon Cornell, Tristan Cornell.
-) COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Terry Jensen, Carol Petersen.
-) LECTOR: Kevin Dahl.
-) SOUND: Beth Ann Johnson.

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Holy Week *worship at* Mountain View Lutheran Church

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4/10 • Palm Sunday

Palm Sunday worship at 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

We begin our Holy Week journey toward the Cross and Resurrection.

4/14 • Maundy Thursday

Maundy Thursday worship at 7:00 p.m.

Absolution, foot washing, Holy Communion, Last Supper of our Lord.

4/15 • Good Friday

Good Friday worship at 7:00 p.m.

Meditations upon the Cross and Christ crucified.

4/16 • Easter Vigil

Easter Vigil worship at 7:00 p.m.

From darkness to light in stories of God's presence in salvation history.

4/17 • Easter Sunday

Easter Sunday worship at 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

Proclamation of the joy-filled hope of the Resurrection.