



March 22, 2020—The 4th Sunday in Lent

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Welcome and thank you for joining us for worship today! In our service we gather before our almighty and saving God to hear His holy and powerful Word, offering Him our prayers and praises along the way as He strengthens our faith and walks us ever closer to our eternal home with Him.

TODAY'S FOCUS

Jesus calls us from sinful selfishness to selfless service. We can view the world from the perspective of selfishness or selflessness. Repentance means despairing of self, trusting in Christ's sacrifice as our substitute, and leading lives of selfless service modeled after our Savior who came not to be served but to serve and to give His life as a ransom for us.

SERVICE NOTES

For your convenience the order of service is printed on the following pages. The order of service is an abbreviated form of the Order of Morning Service. All hymns, unless otherwise noted, are found in The Lutheran Hymnal (1941).



THE ORDER OF MORNING SERVICE

HYMN

Oh, that I Had a Thousand Voices | 30 v. 1-4

1. Oh, that I had a thousand voices
To praise my God with thousand tongues!
My heart, which in the Lord rejoices,
Would then proclaim in grateful songs
To all, wherever I might be,
What great things God hath done for me.

2. O all ye pow'rs that He implanted,
Arise, and silence keep no more;
Put forth the strength that He hath granted,
Your noblest work is to adore.
O soul and body, be ye meet
With heartfelt praise Your Lord to greet!

3. Ye forest leaves so green and tender,
That dance for joy in summer air;
Ye meadow grasses, bright and slender;
Ye flow'rs, so wondrous sweet and fair;
Ye live to show His praise alone,
With me now make His glory known.

4. All creatures that have breath and motion,
That throng the earth, the sea, and sky,
Now join me in my heart's devotion,
Help me to raise His praises high.
My utmost pow'rs can ne'er aright
Declare the wonders of His might. A-men.

INVOCATION & CONFESSION OF SINS

Matthew 28:19; 1 John 1:8-10

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

M: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C: Who made heaven and earth.

M: I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.

C: And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

M: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: O most merciful God, You have given Your only-begotten Son to die for us; have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You, and of Your will, and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

M: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only-begotten Son to die for us, and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To all who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God, and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all!

C: Amen.

INTROIT & GLORIA PATRI

Isaiah 66:10; Psalm 122:1

M: Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad with her, all you who love her. Rejoice with her, all you who mourn for her. I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go into the house of the Lord."

C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

SALUTATION & COLLECT

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And with your spirit.

M: Let us pray: Almighty God, we confess that we deserve to be punished for our evil deeds. But we ask You graciously to cleanse us from all sin and to comfort us with Your salvation; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

FIRST LESSON: HOSEA 5:15-6:3

The LORD predicts the false, selfish "repentance" of Israel that confesses no guilt.

I will return again to My place Till they acknowledge their offense.

Then they will seek My face; In their affliction they will earnestly seek Me."

^{6:1} Come, and let us return to the LORD; For He has torn, but He will heal us;

He has stricken, but He will bind us up. ² After two days He will revive us;

On the third day He will raise us up, That we may live in His sight.

³ Let us know, Let us pursue the knowledge of the LORD.

His going forth is established as the morning; He will come to us like the rain,

Like the latter *and* former rain to the earth.

SECOND LESSON: ROMANS 8:1-10

Life in Christ sets us free from the law of sin and death.

There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit. ² For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death. ³ For what the law could not do in that it was weak through the flesh, God *did* by sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, on account of sin: He condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴ that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

⁵ For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those *who live* according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit. ⁶ For to be carnally minded *is* death, but to be spiritually minded *is* life and peace. ⁷ Because the carnal mind *is* enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can be. ⁸ So then, those who are in the flesh cannot please God. ⁹ But you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you. Now if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he is not His. ¹⁰ And if Christ *is* in you, the body *is* dead because of sin, but the Spirit *is* life because of righteousness.

GRADUAL

John 3:16

C: For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.

GOSPEL LESSON: MATTHEW 20:17-28

Jesus brings the free gift of grace to a Samaritan woman.

C: Glory be to You, O Lord!

Now Jesus, going up to Jerusalem, took the twelve disciples aside on the road and said to them, ¹⁸ "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be betrayed to the chief priests and to the scribes; and they will condemn Him to death, ¹⁹ "and deliver Him to the Gentiles to mock and to scourge and to crucify. And the third day He will rise again."

²⁰ Then the mother of Zebedee's sons came to Him with her sons, kneeling down and asking something from Him. ²¹ And He said to her, "What do you wish?"

She said to Him, "Grant that these two sons of mine may sit, one on Your right hand and the other on the left, in Your kingdom."

²² But Jesus answered and said, "You do not know what you ask. Are you able to drink the cup that I am about to

drink, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?"

They said to Him, "We are able."

²³ So He said to them, "You will indeed drink My cup, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with; but to sit on My right hand and on My left is not Mine to give, but *it is for those* for whom it is prepared by My Father."

²⁴ And when the ten heard *it*, they were greatly displeased with the two brothers. ²⁵ But Jesus called them to *Himself* and said, "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and those who are great exercise authority over them. ²⁶ "Yet it shall not be so among you; but whoever desires to become great among you, let him be your servant. ²⁷ "And whoever desires to be first among you, let him be your slave--²⁸ "just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many."

M: This is the Gospel of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

C: **Praise be to You, O Christ!**

THE APOSTLES' CREED

C: **I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.**

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; The forgiveness of sins; The resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting. Amen.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Lord of Glory, Who Hast Bought Us | 442

1. Lord of Glory, Who hast bought us
With Thy lifeblood as the price,
Never grudging for the lost ones
That tremendous sacrifice;
And with that hast freely given
Blessings countless as the sand
To th'unthankful and the evil
With Thine own unsparing hand;

3. Wondrous honor hast Thou given
To our humblest charity
In Thine own mysterious sentence,
"Ye have done it unto Me."
Can it be, O gracious Master,
Thou dost deign for alms to sue,
Saying by Thy poor and needy,
"Give as I have giv'n to you"?

5. Lord of Glory, Who hast bought us
With Thy lifeblood as the price,
Never grudging for the lost ones
That tremendous sacrifice,
Give us faith to trust Thee boldly,
Hope, to stay our souls on Thee;
But, oh! Best of all Thy graces,
Give us Thine own charity. A-men.

2. Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to yield
Thee
Gladly, freely, of Thine own;
With the sunshine of Thy goodness
Melt our thankless hearts of stone
Till our cold and selfish natures,
Warmed by Thee, at length believe
That more happy and more blessed
'Tis to give than to receive.

4. Yes, the sorrow and the sufferings
Which on every hand we see
Channels are for gifts and offerings
Due by solemn right to Thee;
Right of which we may not rob Thee,
Debt we may not choose but pay,
Lest that face of love and pity
Turn from us another day.

SERMON - ROMANS 8:1-10

Set Free in Christ

1. From the sinful mindset.
2. To the Spirit's mindset.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH & THE LORD'S PRAYER

ALL: **Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

COLLECT OF THE WORD

M: Blessed Lord, since You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart, that by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah | 54

1. Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah,
Pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak, but Thou art mighty;
Hold me with Thy powerful hand.
Bread of heaven,
Feed me till I want no more.

3. When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of death and hell's Destruction,
Lead me safe on Canaan's side.
Songs of praises
I will ever give to Thee. A-men.

2. Open now the crystal fountain
Whence the healing stream doth flow;
Let a fiery, cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through.
Strong Deliverer,
Be Thou still my Strength and Shield.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP SERVICES DURING COVID-19 - We're glad you were able to worship with us either via the internet livestream, Facebook Live, or just plain old fashioned "snail-mail"! Much of our worship will appear in a form similar to this service for the time being. Thanks to Deb Meyer for playing organ so we have accompaniment for our hymns, and for a few singers to come and help lead us in the singing! Sadly the remainder of our midweek Lenten services have been cancelled due to the coronavirus. Pastor will be sending out materials that you can use for your own family midweek Lenten services for the rest of the season. When we get to Holy Week, all our services are still on their regular schedules, they will just be held "virtually" via livestream and through the mail, much as this service was done today. It is my prayer that we get to spend Easter together and celebrate the Lord's resurrection once more as a congregation.

CAMP RISE - Early Bird registration is open for Camp Rise, the summer camp for ELS youth! Camp dates are set for July 5-10, at Camp Luwisomo in Wild Rose. The camp is open to youth who have completed grades 4-9. The early-bird registration fee (registration due by April 1) is \$325. After April 1 the registration fee jumps to \$355, with a firm final registration deadline of May 1. There is a need-based camp scholarship fund if the registration costs are too high. If you'd like more information, please speak with Pastor Van Kampen.

COMMUNION - Our next communion Sunday would officially be April 5. Unfortunately, unless the ban on large groups of people is lifted, the regular communion service will not take place. However, during this unusual time, if you are healthy and would like to receive the Lord's Supper, you are more than welcome to do so! Simply call the office and schedule a time when you can come visit with the pastor and receive the Lord's Supper.

THIS WEEK AT CHRIST THE KING:

SUNDAY (3/22)	Divine Worship, 9:00 a.m.
MONDAY	Confirmation, 4:00 p.m.
TUESDAY	Life Line Screening, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
SUNDAY (3/29)	Divine Worship, 9:00 a.m.

OUR MISSION

*Christ the King Ev.
Lutheran Church
gives all praise and
thanks to the Triune
God for His grace received
through Word and
Sacrament
by sharing the saving
Gospel of Christ with the
people of this community
and the world.*

