

MARCH 17, 2024 | *Fifth Sunday in Lent*

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Welcome to our worship service today! We are glad to have you with us as we gather before our almighty and saving God to hear His holy and powerful Word and celebrate His life-giving Sacraments, offering our prayers and praises as He strengthens our faith and brings us ever closer to our eternal home with Him.

SERVICE NOTES

Christ humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross.

If you need any assistance, please ask any of our ushers for help. In inclement weather, or if walking from your car is difficult, please make use of the carport. The ushers will gladly park and/or retrieve your car for you if needed.

If you are a visitor with us today, please sign the Guest Book before you leave today. If you would like to learn more about our church or are interested in church membership, please speak with Pastor Holtz or one of the elders.

If you have small children, please note that there is a Parents’ Room at the rear of the sanctuary if you need to temporarily calm a child. From the Parents’ Room you can still see, hear, and participate in the worship service.

For your convenience today’s order of service is printed on the following pages.

Holy Communion: We hold to the ancient, biblical practice of “close communion,” communing only confirmed members of our church or churches of our fellowship (ELS and WELS). Guests, please speak with the pastor prior to the service if you wish to commune. Thank you for your courteous respect of our beliefs and practices.

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Minister	Rev. Roger Holtz
Organist	Deb Meyer
Elder on Duty	Sunday: Dan Lindquist
Ushers on Duty	Dennis Barlament, Brian Busse, Daniel Meves
Altar Guild	Sandy Gillaume & Janet Heuser

The Order of the Holy Communion

Please stand.

OPENING HYMN

God Himself is Present | 4

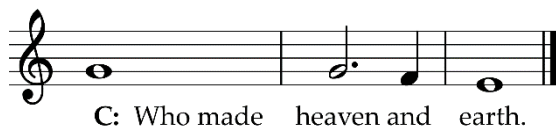
INVOCATION AND CONFESSION OF SINS

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

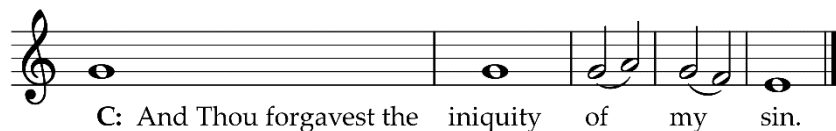


M: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Our help is in the name of the Lord.



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



C: O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess to You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them, and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

M: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



You may be seated.

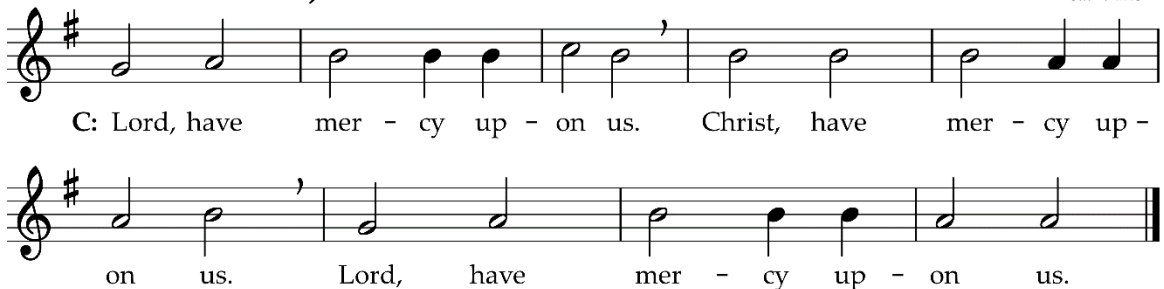
THE INTROIT & GLORIA PATRI

M: Vindicate me, O God, and plead my cause against an ungodly nation. Deliver me from the deceitful and unjust man. Send out Your light and Your truth; Let them lead me, let them bring me to Your holy hill.



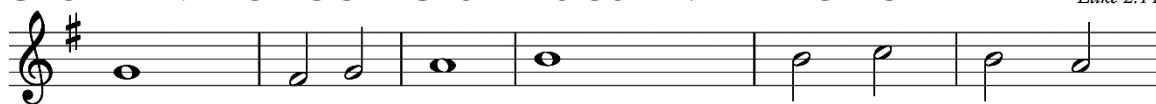
THE KYRIE—*LORD, HAVE MERCY*

Psalms 123

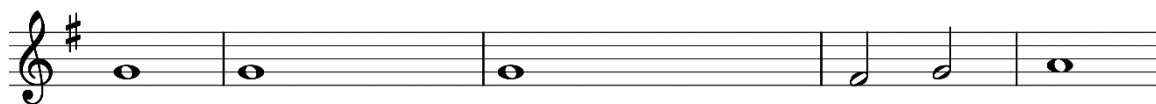


GLORIA IN EXCELSIS—"GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST

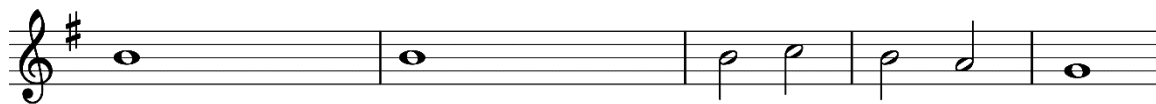
Luke 2:14



C: Glory be to God on high: And on earth peace, good will toward



men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ; O Lord God,



Lamb of God, Son of the Father, That takest away the sin of the



world, have mercy up - on us. Thou that takest away the sin of the



world, re - ceive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the

Father, have mercy up - on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou
on - ly art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly
Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

PSALM 121

M I will lift up my eyes to the hills—From whence comes my help?

C: ²**My help comes from the LORD, Who made heaven and earth.**

M: ³He will not allow your foot to be moved; He who keeps you will not slumber.

C: ⁴**Behold, He who keeps Israel Shall neither slumber nor sleep.**

M: ⁵The LORD *is* your keeper; The LORD *is* your shade at your right hand.

C: ⁶**The sun shall not strike you by day, Nor the moon by night.**

M: ⁷The LORD shall preserve you from all evil;

C: **He shall preserve your soul.**

M: ⁸The LORD shall preserve your going out and your coming in

C: **From this time forth, and even forevermore.**

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And with thy spir - it.

Please stand.

M: Let us pray: Eternal God and Father, help us to remember Jesus, who obeyed Your will and bore the cross for our salvation, that through His anguish, pain, and death we may receive the forgiveness of sins, victory over the grave, and finally inherit eternal life; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



You may be seated.

FIRST LESSON: ISAIAH 43:1-7

But now, thus says the Lord, who created you, O Jacob, And He who formed you, O Israel: "Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by your name; You are Mine.

² When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; And through the rivers, they shall not overflow you. When you walk through the fire, you shall not be burned, nor shall the flame scorch you. ³ For I am the Lord your God, The Holy One of Israel, your Savior; I gave Egypt for your ransom,

Ethiopia and Seba in your place. ⁴ Since you were precious in My sight, You have been honored, And I have loved you; Therefore I will give men for you, And people for your life. ⁵ Fear not, for I am with you; I will bring your descendants from the east, And gather you from the west; ⁶ I will say to the north, 'Give them up!' And to the south, 'Do not keep them back!' Bring My sons from afar, And My daughters from the ends of the earth—⁷ Everyone who is called by My name, whom I have created for My glory; I have formed him, yes, I have made him."

SECOND LESSON: HEBREWS 5:7-9

⁷Who, in the days of His flesh, when He had offered up prayers and supplications, with vehement cries and tears to Him who was able to save Him from death, and was heard because of His godly fear, ⁸though He was a Son, *yet* He learned obedience by the things which He suffered. ⁹And having been perfected, He became the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him.

GRADUAL

Mark 10:45

M: For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many.

Please stand.

GOSPEL LESSON: JOHN 12:20-33



²⁰ Now there were certain Greeks among those who came up to worship at the feast. ²¹ Then they came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida of Galilee, and asked him, saying, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus."

²² Philip came and told Andrew, and in turn Andrew and Philip told Jesus.

²³ But Jesus answered them, saying, "The hour has come that the Son of Man should be glorified. ²⁴ Most assuredly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the ground and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it produces much [a] grain. ²⁵ He who loves his life will lose it, and he who hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶ If anyone serves Me, let him follow Me; and where I am, there My servant will be also. If anyone serves Me, him My Father will honor.

²⁷ "Now My soul is troubled, and what shall I say? 'Father, save Me from this hour'? But for this purpose I came to this hour. ²⁸ Father, glorify Your name."

Then a voice came from heaven, *saying*, "I have both glorified *it* and will glorify *it* again."

²⁹ Therefore the people who stood by and heard *it* said that it had thundered. Others said, "An angel has spoken to Him."

³⁰ Jesus answered and said, "This voice did not come because of Me, but for your sake. ³¹ Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be cast out. ³² And I, if I am [b]lifted up from the earth, will draw all *peoples* to Myself." ³³ This He said, signifying by what death He would die.

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



THE NICENE CREED

C: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary And was made man; And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; And ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen.

You may be seated.

HYMN

Drawn to the Cross, which Thou Hast Blest | 390

Please stand for the singing of the final stanza.

SERMON – Jeremiah 31:31-34

See How God Negotiated a New Contract for Us!

Please stand.

THE OFFERTORY

C: 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 Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re - store un-to me the joy of Thy sal - va - tion; and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

You may be seated.

THE OFFERING

How Great Thou Art sung by the Choir

Please stand.

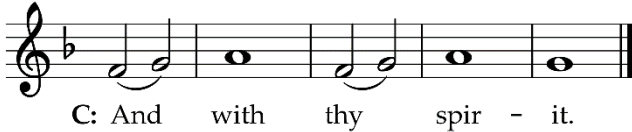
PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR

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THE PREFACES & THE SANCTUS (“HOLY, HOLY, HOLY”)

M: The Lord be with you.



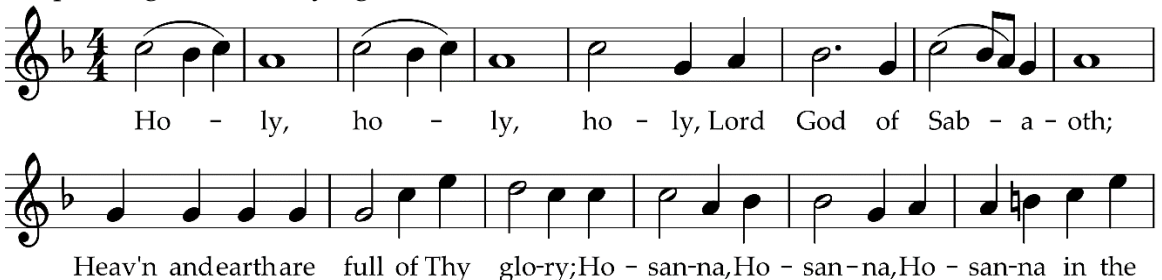
M: Lift up your hearts.

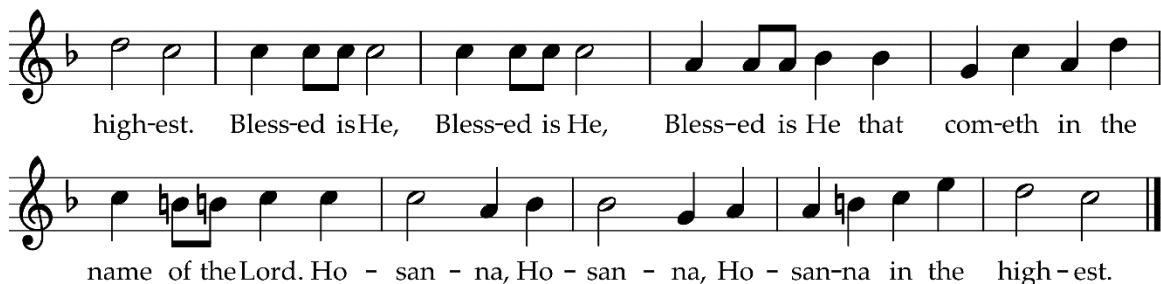


M: Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.



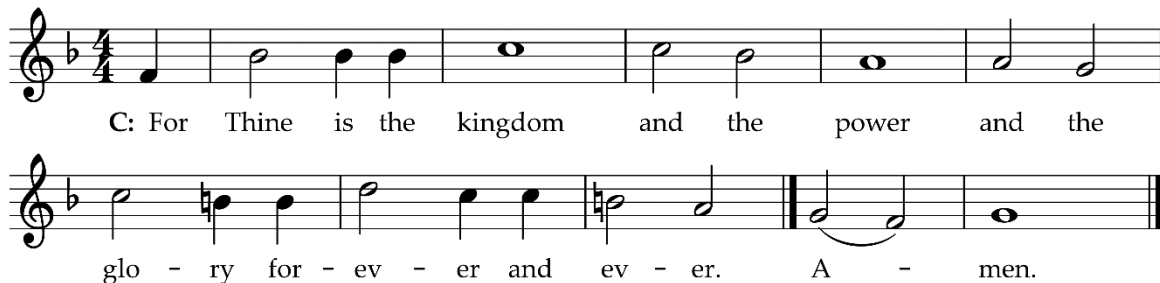
M: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God; Who on the tree of the cross didst give salvation unto mankind that, he who by a tree once overcame might likewise by a tree be overcome. Through Christ our Lord; through whom with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:





THE LORD'S PRAYER

M: 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.



THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He brake it and gave it to His disciples saying: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

After the same manner also He took the cup when He had supped, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them saying: "Drink ye all of it; this cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the remission of sins. This do in remembrance of Me."

THE PAX DOMINI (Peace of the Lord)

The peace of the Lord be with you always!



THE LAMB OF GOD (*Agnus Dei*)



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world,
have mer-cy up-on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that
tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up-on us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world,
grant us Thy peace. A - - - men.

You may be seated.

THE DISTRIBUTION

During the distribution of the sacrament, communicants may come forward at the direction of the ushers.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth | 142
Thy Table I Approach | 310

THE NUNC DIMITTIS (*“Now Dismiss”*)

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in_ peace ac - cord-ing to Thy

word, For mine eyes have seen Thy salvation: which Thou hast pre -

pared_ be - fore the face of all people,

a Light_ to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy

people Is - ra-el. Glo - ry_ be to the Father and to the

Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; As it_ was in the beginning is now, and

ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

M: Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

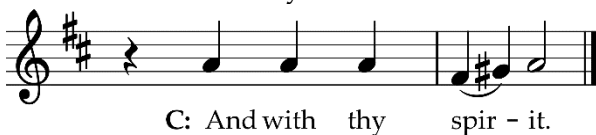
C: And His mercy en - dureth for - ev - er.

M: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through these salutary gifts, and we implore You that of Your Mercy You would strengthen us through them in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.

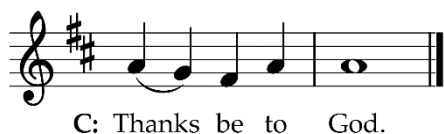


THE BENEDICTION

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Let us bless the Lord.



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.



CLOSING HYMN

To God Be the Glory | **Insert**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR FLOWERS - If you'd like to donate altar flowers for one of our worship services, please sign up and find details on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you!

FELLOWSHIP SNACKS – Thanks to Donna Carter and Sue Engberg for serving snacks today. If you'd like to serve snacks on Sunday mornings, please sign up in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you!

PASTOR PETER HEYN – At our call meeting, voting members selected Pastor Peter Heyn of Living Water Lutheran, San Angelo, TX. Pastor Heyn acknowledged receipt (letter posted in Fellowship Hall). Please keep Pastor Heyn and his family in your prayers as he considers the Divine Call, Pastor Heyn’s contact information: Office: 325-658-3870 and email: pastorhey@livingwatertx.org.

LENTEN SUPPERS – This week Wednesday is the last Lenten Supper at 5:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to enjoy good food and fellowship before the worship service.

EASTER BRUNCH The Kitchen Committee is hosting the Easter Brunch after the 8:00 service. A sign-up sheet for food is posted.

THIS WEEK AT CHRIST THE KING

SUNDAY (3/17)	Divine Service w/Holy Comm., 9:00 a.m. Education Hour, 10:30 a.m.
WEDNESDAY (3/20)	Emerald Bay Service, 4:00 p.m. Soup Supper, 5:00 p.m. Midweek Lenten Service, 6:30 p.m.
SUNDAY (3/24) <i>Palm Sunday</i>	Divine Service, 9:00 a.m. Education Hour, 10:30 a.m.
SUNDAY (3/31) <i>Easter</i>	Divine Service, 8:00 a.m. No Education Hour Easter Brunch

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.*