Take a moment to notice the * at the beginning of various portions of the order of service. The * indicates the place where it is inappropriate to enter or leave the sanctuary because it marks a time of prayer or respect for the Word of the Lord. Please be considerate of others around you by honoring these notations.

When life seems oppressive and burdens weigh us down, it is easy to feel alone, unloved and defeated. As the Lord of Life gives us His body and blood in the Lord's Supper, however, we are reminded that we are not alone, that we are deeply loved, and that in Christ we have the victory! For Scriptural reasons, we practice close communion. If you do not belong to a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, we invite you to join our communion fellowship. For details, please speak or make an appointment with Pastor Kane through the church office (319) 235-6705.

QUINQUAGESIMA (50 DAYS TO EASTER)

Faith Alone

February 11, 2024

AS WE GATHER: The seeing are blind, while the one who is blind can see (Luke 18:31-43). Jesus tells the twelve that He is going up to Jerusalem to suffer and die and rise again, but they cannot understand or grasp what He is saying. The meaning of His words is hidden from their sight. However, as Jesus makes His way up to Jerusalem, a blind man calls out to Him for mercy. This blind man sees that Jesus is the Messiah, the Savior, for he calls Him "Son of David." Indeed, Jesus is the Lord's anointed, the keeper of sheep (1 Sam. 16:1-13) who goes to lay down His life for the sheep. He is the incarnate love of the Father who suffers long and is kind. who is not puffed up, who never fails us (1 Cor. 13:1-13). Jesus opens the eyes of the blind (Is. 35:3-7) to see Him not according to outward appearances of lowliness, but according to His heart of mercy and compassion. Those who behold Him thus by faith follow Him to the cross through death into life.

*COLLECT OF THE DAY:

Pastor: O Lord,

People:

mercifully hear our prayers and having set us free from the bonds of our sins deliver us from every evil; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

> -2-ORDER OF WORSHIP

Divine Service I

Announcements

LSB 688 Opening Hymn:

"Come, Follow Me," the Savior Spake' v1-4

*Confession/Absolution: LSB 151

SERVICE OF THE WORD

LSB 152ff **Kvrie:** *Goria in Excelsis: LSB 154 *Salutation: LSB 156 *Collect of the Day: (Printed)

Catechism Recitation

Catechism Review Question #35 **Old Testament:** 1 Samuel 16:1-13

Pew Bible Page 443

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

Pew Bible Page 1787

*Alleluia and Verse: LSB 156

*Holy Gospel: Luke 18:31-43

Pew Bible Page 1630

*Nicene Creed: LSB 158

Hymn of the Day: "Word of God, Come Down on Earth"

Sermon

Offertory Choir "Amazing Grace"

*Prayer of the Church

*Lords Prayer LSB 162 LSB 166 *Benediction

This concludes the service for online viewing

LSB 545

*SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

LSB 160ff

Distribution Hymns:

"Here, O My Lord, ..." LSB 631 "I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table" LSB 618

*Thank the Lord: LSB 164 *Post-Communion Collect: LSB 166 *Benediction: LSB 166 Closing Hymn: **LSB 688**

" Come, Follow Me," the Savior Spake' v 5

As Prayer Warriors with Love, Inc.: For women- Please pray for a woman trying to find employment. She currently receives disability, because of a hole in her heart. Please pray for a woman needing to be safe from people who have abused her in the past. Please pray that she will find a job that works well for her. Please pray over a woman's situation as she finds stability in her life for her and her children. Please pray for her health and spirit. Please pray for a woman to have her life get better. Please pray for a woman to have discernment in her life and choices. Please pray that she will gain mental stability. Please pray for a woman with upcoming back surgery. Please pray that her recovery will go well. Please pray for a woman that she will get encouragement needed to straighten out her life after being incarcerated. a woman please pray over her life circumstances. That she may see her kids again, that she will find a place to live, and that she will start back up at Hawkeye. a woman please pray that she will get stability in her home and life. Please pray that she will find employment that best suits her. a woman please pray over her stomach and colon issues. a woman please pray over her mental health after being attacked. Please pray for her children during all of this. a woman please pray for the health of her children as they are all sick with infection right now. a woman please pray that she will get interviews, as she really needs a job. a woman please pray for her son and his current work situation where he is facing a significant amount of adversity; that the Lord would give him wisdom to do His will. For men- a man please pray for his health, and specifically over his heart; that the medicine would work well and that he would not need surgery. a man please pray that he will find a church to belong to, a job, and for friendships.



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