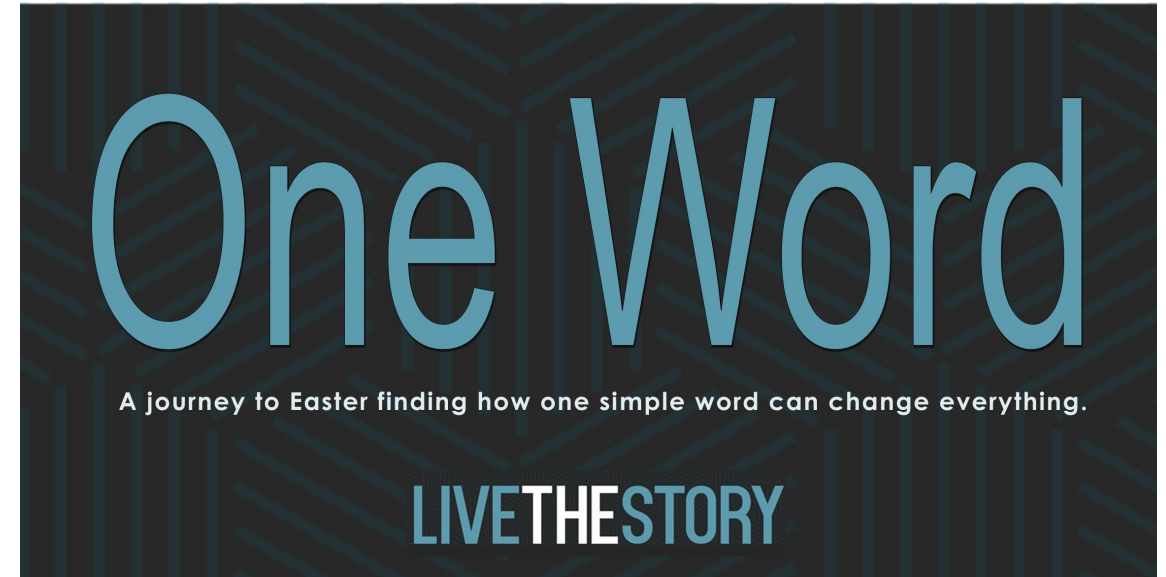


NOTES



LENT is a 40 day season of focus, preparation and renewal in faith through the cross and resurrection.

8:08 an 11:08 Traditional Worship
Sunday, March 1, 2020

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WELCOME ALL

P= Pastor L= Assisting Minister

PRELUDE 8:08

Michael Chambers

11:08

“Holy Manna”
St. John’s Bronze

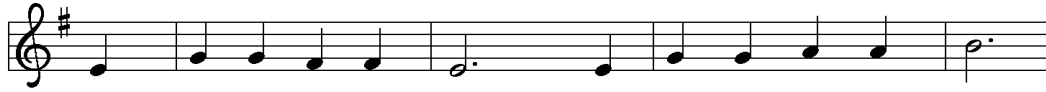
- arr. Karen Thompson

WELCOME ALL

Pastor Lisa Arrington

KYRIE

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- 1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
- 2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
- 3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
 Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
 Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

Assisting Minister

L: Please kneel or sit as you are able for our Lenten confession and forgiveness.

L: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

All: Have mercy on us Lord and hear our solemn prayers.

Pause for silence and reflection.

L: Lord, save us from moral weakness, from fear of others and dread of responsibility; Strengthen us with courage to speak the truth in love and strive for self-control;

All: Save us and help us O Lord,

L: Save us from weakness of judgment, strengthen us to choose what is right and from losing opportunity to serve you.

All: Save us and help us O Lord,

L: Save us from infirmity of purpose, from sluggish indolence and slack indifference; and from all spiritual deadness of hearts

All: Save us and help us O Lord,

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Lift up in prayer:

John Abendschein
 Jodi Anderson
 Brenda Beall
 James Brunner
 Marge Burdette
 Harrison Carr
 Diane Corkran
 Dawn Dorrell
 Molly Gleason
 Mitchell Greene
 Deacon Laura Heller
 Zach Hinegardner
 Sue Hladik
 The Hobbs family
 Ray Lawson
 Michelle Lizardo & family
 Jackie Lober
 Michael Mazziott
 Bill Moesinger
 Jo Morrison
 Linda Murphy
 The Murphy family
 Heike Neisius
 Allyson Pipher
 Leah Ridenour
 Linda Owens-Smith
 Katy Stevens and family
 Wayne Stolins
 Vicki Thomas
 Nancy Urban
 Melanie Vohs
 Dean Watkins
 Henry Weaver
 John Zelek
 Sheila Zimmer

Special needs:

Prayers for all who are facing poverty, viruses, gangs, and natural disasters.
 Prayers for wisdom for the policy makers.
 Prayers for our search committee for a Director of Adult Discipleship
 Prayers for Nicole and Kevin Fuhr on ordination ceremony in TX.
 Prayers for Danielle Chandler for safety in global missionary travels.
 Prayers for the violence in Baltimore and the rest of the state
 Prayers for those with addictions
 Lord, we pray for all schools, churches, scouts and all organizations for healthy service, best practices, and safe healing especially among your children and adults. We pray for all who serve. We thank you for the gift of trust. Let us strive to maintain safe space for all to learn and grow. Amen.

This week we pray for:

† Contemporary Worship Music Team
 † Altar Guild
 † Media IT Team

Our mission partners:

Amazing Grace Lutheran Church
 – Prs. Gary Dittman & Carol Perlie
 Prs. Mercedes & Isaias Nelson (Dom. Rep.)
 Pr. Tyrone Smith (New Orleans)
 National ELCA Bishop Elizabeth Eaton
 Delaware Maryland synod Bishop Bill Gohl
 Nicole & Kevin Fuhr, serving Guatemala
 Crucified Church in Johnstown, PA
 – Pr. Josh Knipple
 Freestate ChalleNGe Academy

Members of the week:

Fred Derrick & Catherine Evans
 Riley, Reese and Rhett Jones
 Dorothy Diehl

*Names on the prayer list are printed with permission of the person named. After receiving permission you may place a completed yellow prayer request card in the offering plate or contact the church office to add a name to the prayer list. After four weeks on the list a name will be removed unless the office is notified for an extension of time. **Visitation:** please notify the church office if you anticipate a hospital stay. Thank you!*

HYMN

“Savior, Again to Your Dear Name”

ELW # 534

SENT WITH A MISSION

L: Let us live the story:

All: Welcome All. Tell the Story. Grow as Disciples.

NOTE: There is no postlude to remind us of penitential nature of the season of Lent.

L: Save us from dullness of conscience, from feeble sense of duty; from thoughtless disregard of consequences to others and from the half-heartedness in our service.

All: Save us and help us O Lord,

L: Save us from weariness in continuing struggles; from dependency in failure and disappointment; from overburdened sense of unworthiness; from morbid fancies of imaginary back-sliding.

All: Save us and help us O Lord,

L: Save us from self-conceit, vanity, and boasting. From delight in supposed success and superiority.

All: Save us and help us O Lord,

L: Save us from all hasty utterances of impatience, from the retort of irritation and the rant of sarcasm.

All: Save us and help us O Lord,

L: Save us from distraction, dissipation, dishonesty, or debt and frailty in our flesh.

All: Save us and help us O Lord,

L: Save us from love of flattery and dislike of criticism, and from the comfort of thinking we are better than we are.

All: Save us and help us O Lord,

L: Save us from strife, partisanship and division; from systems of historic injustice, imbalance and disregard for those struggling at the bottom of the stack.

All: Save us and help us O Lord,

L: And so we ask You, through Jesus Christ our Lord to forgive us, renew us and lead us.

All: Let your Spirit be our will, Let Your Word be our word. Blot out our transgressions, heal the evils of our past ignorance, and help us to amend our past mistakes. Uplift our hearts to new love, new energy, and new devotion. Save us and help us O Lord,

L: Please rise as you are able and stand in amazing grace. The Lord is quick to forgive and eager to grant second chances. Take comfort that God is merciful. You are forgiven. Proclaim it, rejoice in it, and forgive others, for the sake of Jesus our Savior.

All: Amen

HYMN

“Dearest Jesus, At Your Word”

ELW # 520

GREETING

Assisting Minister

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And also with you.

LENT PRAYER OF THE DAY

Assisting Minister

Not for screen

L: In this season of Lent we hear the prayers of the tapestry carried over from last year. Let us hear this prayer: "I know that you are in this suffering with me but I don't understand why I must bear it. There is so much I want to do yet I am being kept from it. I long to trust You and to see You in this. Be with me. Walk with me. Be my guide toward healing. Your love never fails. Your love never waivers. Hear this prayer, Lord. Amen. Amen.

Please be seated for Live the Story

TELL THE STORY

PSALM 51

Reader

Reader: Psalm 51 has become such a big part of our liturgy. Psalm 51 asks God to create in us a clean heart with forgiveness. I will read the odd verses and I invite you to read the even verses. Psalm 51 begins:

¹Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

²**Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.**

³For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

⁴**Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgment.**

⁵Indeed, I was born guilty, a sinner when my mother conceived me.

⁶**You desire truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.**

⁷Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

⁸**Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have crushed rejoice.**

⁹Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.

¹⁰**Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.**

¹¹Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me.

¹²**Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit.**

¹³Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will return to you.

¹⁴**Deliver me from bloodshed, O God, O God of my salvation, and my tongue will sing aloud of your deliverance.**

¹⁵O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise.

¹⁶**For you have no delight in sacrifice; if I were to give a burnt offering, you would not be pleased.**

¹⁷The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God,

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

LAMB OF GOD

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1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"Let Us Break Bread Together"

ELW # 471

"Bread of Life, Our Host and Meal"

ELW # 464

BLESSING AND PRAYER

Assisting Minister

L: Ephesians 3: I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, ¹⁷and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. ¹⁸I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

²⁰Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, ²¹to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever.

All: Amen.

NEXT STEPS

Pastor Lisa Arrington

BENEDICTION

Pastor Lisa Arrington

P: Go in peace with God's blessings, seek a word for Lent to remind you of your journey in God's healing, power and saving love through Jesus Christ, friend of sinners. Amen.

Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

In the night in which he was betrayed by his followers, 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.

Remembering, therefore, Christ's turn toward the world, his journey to the cross, and his resurrection from the dead, we turn toward you in the gifts of bread and wine, signs of your mercy and balm for our souls.

All: Amen. Come Lord Jesus.

P: Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that these gifts may be healing and redemption for us and for your world, the turning toward a new day of righteousness.

All: Amen. Come Holy Spirit.

P: And now, may all creation turn toward you, seeking your mercy and trusting in your word, that we may share in your glory with all the saints in light.

LORD'S PRAYER

L: Let us pray the Lord's Prayer in unity.

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.

Today, Communion will be celebrated at the altar rail. Follow the guide of the ushers to start at the center of the rail. You're invited to receive the bread (gluten-free), then individual glasses of red wine or white grape juice. The presiding pastor will bless and dismiss everyone once all have received. If you have difficulty making it up the steps to the railing, notify an usher and it would be our privilege to bring Communion to you.

you will not despise.

¹⁸Do good to Zion in your good pleasure; rebuild the walls of Jerusalem,

¹⁹then you will delight in right sacrifices, in burnt offerings and whole burnt offerings; then bulls will be offered on your altar.

Reader: Please rise as you are able for the Gospel verse setting 10, ELW page 205

LENTEN VERSE

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We are turn - ing, Lord, to hear you; you are mer - ci - ful and kind -
slow to an - ger, rich in bless - ing, and with love to us in - clined.

BIBLE READING Mark 7:1-15

Reader

Reader: The Holy Gospel is according to Mark the 7th chapter.

All: Glory to you O Lord.

Reader: *We are in Act 5 of the Bible on the life of Jesus. Mark's Gospel shows the conflict is growing among religious people and the rules. Jesus quotes a word from Prophet Isaiah. A reading from Mark:*

Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, ²they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. ³(For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; ⁴and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) ⁵So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?" ⁶He said to them, "Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written,

'This people honors me with their lips,
but their hearts are far from me;
⁷in vain do they worship me,
teaching human precepts as doctrines.'

⁸You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition."

⁹Then he said to them, "You have a fine way of rejecting the commandment of God in order to keep your tradition! ¹⁰For Moses said, 'Honor your father and your mother';

and, ‘Whoever speaks evil of father or mother must surely die.’ ¹¹But you say that if anyone tells father or mother, ‘Whatever support you might have had from me is Corban’ (that is, an offering to God)— ¹²then you no longer permit doing anything for a father or mother, ¹³thus making void the word of God through your tradition that you have handed on. And you do many things like this.”

¹⁴Then he called the crowd again and said to them, “Listen to me, all of you, and understand: ¹⁵there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.”

Reader: Word of Wisdom. Word of Life **All: Thanks be to God**

MESSAGE

Pastor Lisa Arrington

GROW AS DISCIPLES

HYMN

“Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways”

ELW # 772

APOSTLES’ CREED

L: Let us together renew our faith with the Apostle’s Creed

All: 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 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

Assisting Minister

L: You are invited to sit or kneel as we pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

A brief silence.

SHARING PEACE

Assisting Minister

L: Please rise as you are able for the sharing of the Peace.

L: The Peace of the Lord be with you always

All: And also with you.

You are invited to share signs of peace with one another and welcome visitors.

OFFERING & MUSIC

You are invited to drop a yellow card or blue card into the plate as well.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM 8:08

“Holy Manna”

- arr. Karen Thompson

St. John’s Bronze

OFFERTORY ANTHEM 11:08

“A Clean Heart”

- Benjamin Harlan

Jubilee Singers

Don’t forget to drop in a yellow or green card.

Did you know you can safely text your offering to St. John’s 410 698 6178?

OFFERTORY

“Create in Me”

ELW # 188

PRESENTING OUR OFFERING TO GOD

Assisting Minister

L: Let us pray together.

All: God of the Cross, in losing our lives we find them in you. In sharing our money and time, we receive the blessings of your Kingdom. Use these gifts toward your holy work of peace, justice, and service in the world. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

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P: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is truly right and good that Lent is a season of turning –
Turning from what is hurtful and turning toward what is healing
Turning from what is shattered and turning toward what is whole
Re-turning to the Lord with sinners of every time and place learning again what the angels keep teaching us to sing

HOLY HOLY HOLY

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.