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Our Savior Lutheran Church March 16, 2022

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The liturgy is spoken.

THE OPENING VERSICLE

Holy God, holy and most gracious Father, have mercy and hear us.

THE PSALMODY: PSALM 81:8-16 (ANTIPHON v. 13)

Oh, that My people would listen to Me, that Israel would walk in My ways!

Hear, O My people, while I admonish you! O Israel, if you would but listen to Me!

There shall be no strange god among you; you shall not bow down to a foreign god.

I am the LORD your God, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt.

Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it.

"But My people did not listen to My voice; Israel would not submit to Me.

So I gave them over to their stubborn hearts, to follow their own counsels.

Oh, that My people would listen to Me, that Israel would walk in My ways!

I would soon subdue their enemies and turn My hand against their foes.

Those who hate the LORD would cringe toward Him, and their fate would last forever.

But He would feed you with the finest of the wheat, and with honey from the rock I would satisfy you."

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.

Oh, that My people would listen to Me, that Israel would walk in My ways!

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

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.

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 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.

The Reading of God's Word: 2 Corinthians 6:14–7:1 & Luke 22:39–70

Please remain seated for both readings. The response after each reading:

O Lord, have mercy on us.

Thanks be to God.

The Sermon

HYMN - TUNE & TEXT: LSB 637

- 1 Draw near and take the body of the Lord, And drink the holy blood for you outpoured; Offered was He for greatest and for least, Himself the victim and Himself the priest.
- 2 He who His saints in this world rules and shields, To all believers life eternal yields; With heav'nly bread He makes the hungry whole, Gives living waters to the thirsting soul.
- 3 Come forward then with faithful hearts sincere, And take the pledges of salvation here. O Lord, our hearts with grateful thanks endow As in this feast of love You bless us now.

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The Consecration

Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25

Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. Amen.

The Holy Communion

> All who receive Holy Communion here must first be instructed. Our pastor will be very glad to instruct you. Please contact the office for an appointment. Those who have not been instructed may come forward with their arms crossed to receive a blessing.

During the distribution, silently pray for your brothers and sisters in Christ present and absent, for those in need, for your own family and friends, and for yourselves. <

THE AFTERNOON LITANY

Show us Your steadfast love, O Lord,

and grant us Your salvation.

Let Your priests be clothed with righteousness;

and let Your saints shout for joy.

Lord, keep this nation under Your care,

and guide us in the way of justice and truth.

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,

for You judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon the earth.

Let the peoples praise You, O God;

let all the peoples praise You!

For the needy shall not always be forgotten,

and the hope of the poor shall not perish forever.

Create in me a clean heart, O God,

and renew a right spirit within me.

Hear my prayer, O Lord;

let my cry come to You.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY AND AFTERNOON COLLECT

Let us pray. Most glorious Trinity, in Your mercy we commit to You this day our bodies and souls, all our ways and goings, all our deeds and purposes. We pray You, so open our hearts and mouths that we may praise Your name, which above all names alone is holy. And since You have created for us the praise of Your holy name, grant that our lives may be for Your honor and that we may serve You in love and fear; for You, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, live and reign, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Gracious Jesus, our Lord and our God, at this hour You bore our sins in Your own body on the tree so that we, being dead to sin, might live unto righteousness. Have mercy upon us now and at the hour of our death, and grant to us, Your servants, with all others who devoutly remember Your blessed passion, a holy and peaceful life in this world and through Your grace eternal glory in the life to come, where, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, You live and reign, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE BENEDICAMUS AND BLESSING Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Lord bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life.

Amen.

HYMN - TUNE & TEXT: LSB 423

- 1 Jesus, refuge of the weary,
 Blest Redeemer, whom we love,
 Fountain in life's desert dreary,
 Savior from the world above:
 Often have Your eyes, offended,
 Gazed upon the sinner's fall;
 Yet upon the cross extended,
 You have borne the pain of all.
- 2 Do we pass that cross unheeding,
 Breathing no repentant vow,
 Though we see You wounded, bleeding,
 See Your thorn-encircled brow?
 Yet Your sinless death has brought us
 Life eternal, peace, and rest;
 Only what Your grace has taught us
 Calms the sinner's deep distress.
- 3 Jesus, may our hearts be burning
 With more fervent love for You;
 May our eyes be ever turning
 To behold Your cross anew
 Till in glory, parted never
 From the blessèd Savior's side,
 Graven in our hearts forever,
 Dwell the cross, the Crucified.

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Preacher & Celebrant: Rev. Peter Gregory Organist: Judy Greenlees

Wednesdays in Lent

March 9: Romans 11:30–12:5 • March 16: 1 Corinthians 6:14–7:1

March 23: 1 Corinthians 6:9–20 • March 30: Romans 6:11–23 • April 6: Ephesians 5:25–33 with readings each week from the Passion according to St. Luke