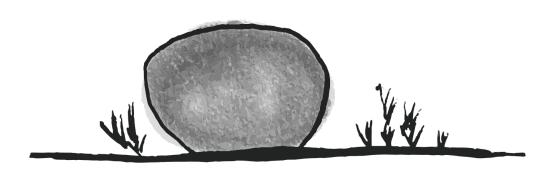
# **First Sunday in Lent**

Saturday, March 8th 5:00 PM Sunday, March 9th 9:00 AM



# **OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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## We are glad you are joining us for worship at

## **Our Savior's Lutheran Church**

Please fill out the **Pew Pads** for registering your attendance and communion participation. If you would like a pastoral call or want to join OSLC, please check those boxes and include contact information.

During the **Offering**, the ushers will pass the traditional offering plates. In addition to placing gifts in the plates, this QR code can be used if you would like to give electronically through **Tithe.ly. Please Note:** If you give cash in an envelope, please write your name on the envelope if you want credit for it on your giving statement.







We have an open table for **Holy Communion** with two options to receive communion:

1) Come forward, at the direction of the ushers, to receive communion by **Intinction**. You will receive a wafer (gluten free available) and then dip it either in the wine (red) or grape juice (white).

Children and others not wishing to receive communion may come forward with their hands folded to receive a blessing. Otherwise, come forward with you palms open to receive a wafer.

2) Stay in your pew and use the **self-contained communion cups** (wafer on the top and grape juice on the bottom). These are located in the rear of the sanctuary as you walk in.

There are portions of the worship service when the **assembly is invited to stand**. Feel free to sit anytime during worship.

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#### ORDER OF WORSHIP

#### Prelude, Welcome, Announcements & Call to Worship

#### **GATHERING**

Gathering Song: "Now Is the Time of Grace"

ACS #918

please stand as you are able



#### **Confession and Forgiveness**

L Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

#### C Amen.

L Let us return to God, confessing our sin in the assurance of God's abiding love.

Silence is kept for reflection

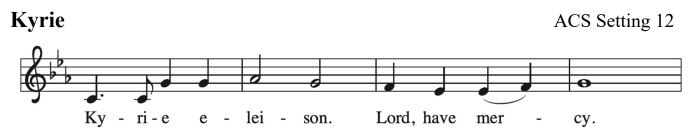
- L Compassionate One,
- C You are slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, but our lives do not always reflect you and your love for the world. We do not show others the tender compassion you have shown to us. We do not welcome others with the radical hospitality you grant to all people. We oppress others, even though you have set us free again and again. We squander the abundant gifts of the earth.

  Transform our lives and guide us again in the way of the cross. Amen.
- L Beloved in Christ,
  God's arms are always stretched open wide to welcome the wandering ones home.
  In Christ your sins are forgiven. You have a place in God's house forever.

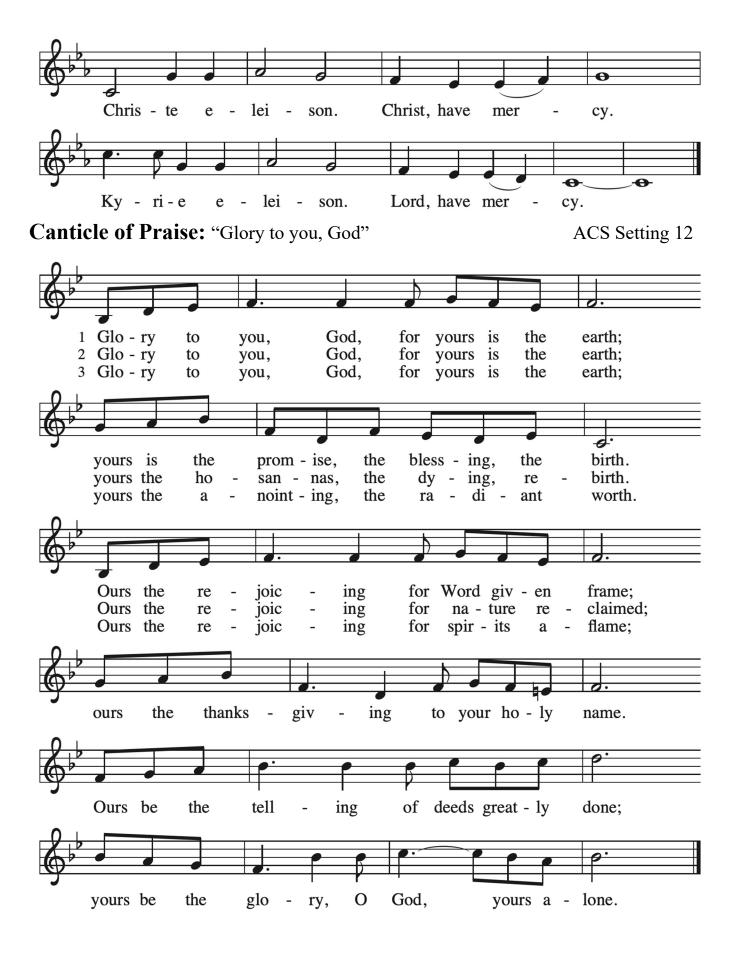
#### C Amen.

#### Greeting

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



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### **Prayer of the Day**

C O Lord God, you led your people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide us now, so that, following your Son, we may walk safely through the wilderness of this world toward the life you alone can give, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

you may be seated

#### WORD

## First Reading: Deuteronomy 26:1-11

<sup>1</sup> "When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess and you possess it and settle in it, <sup>2</sup> you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. <sup>3</sup> You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time and say to him, 'Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us.' <sup>4</sup> When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, <sup>5</sup> you shall make this response before the LORD your God: 'A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. <sup>6</sup> When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, <sup>7</sup> we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. <sup>8</sup> The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a

terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; <sup>9</sup> and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. <sup>10</sup> So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me.' You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God. <sup>11</sup> Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house."

- R Word of God, word of life.
- C Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16

Congregation reads the bold verses

- You who dwell in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty—
- <sup>2</sup> you will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my stronghold, my God in whom I put my trust."
- <sup>9</sup> Because you have made the LORD your refuge, and the Most High your habitation,
- <sup>10</sup> no evil will befall you,

nor shall affliction come near your dwelling.

- <sup>11</sup> For God will give the angels charge over you, to guard you in all your ways.
- 12 Upon their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.
- You will tread upon the lion cub and viper; you will trample down the lion and the serpent.
- <sup>14</sup> I will deliver those who cling to me;I will uphold them, because they know my name.
- <sup>15</sup> They will call me, and I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble; I will rescue and honor them.
- <sup>16</sup> With long life will I satisfy them, and show them my salvation.

## **Second Reading: Romans 10:8b-13**

8b "The word is near you,

in your mouth and in your heart"

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim), <sup>9</sup> because if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup> For one believes with the heart, leading to righteousness, and one confesses with the mouth, leading to salvation. <sup>11</sup> The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." <sup>12</sup> For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. <sup>13</sup> For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

- R Word of God, word of life.
- C Thanks be to God.

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

ACS Setting 12

please stand as you are able



Noth-ing in all cre - a - tion can sep-a-rate us from the love of God.



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## **Gospel: Luke 4:1-13**

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 4th Chapter.

#### C Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup> Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, <sup>2</sup> where for forty days he was tested by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over he was famished. <sup>3</sup> The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." <sup>4</sup> Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'"

<sup>5</sup> Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. <sup>6</sup> And the devil said to him, "To you I will give all this authority and their glory, for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. <sup>7</sup> If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." <sup>8</sup> Jesus answered him, "It is written,

'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.' "

<sup>9</sup> Then the devil led him to Jerusalem and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, <sup>10</sup> for it is written,

'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,'

 $^{11}$  and

'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.' "

- <sup>12</sup> Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.' " <sup>13</sup> When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.
- P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

you may be seated

Children's Sermon

Sermon

Rev. Jon Strasman, Pastor

## Hymn of the Day: "O Lord, Throughout These Forty Days"

ELW #319

please stand as you are able



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### **Apostles' Creed**

C 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 People**

- L God in your mercy,
- C Receive our prayer.
- L Receive the prayers of your people and draw all things together in your love, in the name of Jesus, who leads us from death to life.
- C Amen.

#### **Peace**

- L The peace of Christ be with you always.
- C And also with you.

#### **MEAL**

## **The Offering**

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ELW #188

Offering Song: "Create in Me a Clean Heart"

a clean heart, O Cre - ate in God, and me a right re - new spir - it with - in Cast me. a - way from your me not Spir - it take not your Ho - ly from me. Re pres - ence, and of the joy store un - to me your sal va tion, hold with free Spir - it. your and up me

Music: J. A. Freylinghausen, 1670-1739

- P Let us pray together the Offering Prayer:
- C Gracious Provider,
  you set your immense treasures among us,
  opening your heart to the world.
  As we prepare to feast on your bountiful love,
  deepen our commitment to sharing those treasures with others,
  through our Savior, Jesus Christ.
  Amen.

#### **Great Thanksgiving**

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ.

  You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace.

  And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

#### Holy, Holy, Holy ACS Setting 12 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo Ho - san in the high - est. ry. na Bless - ed is the who in the of the one comes name Lord. Но ho - san - na in the high - est. san - na, Ho ho - san - na in the high - est. san - na,

#### Thanksgiving at the Table

P You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed, 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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

#### The Lord's Prayer

- P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.
- C 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.

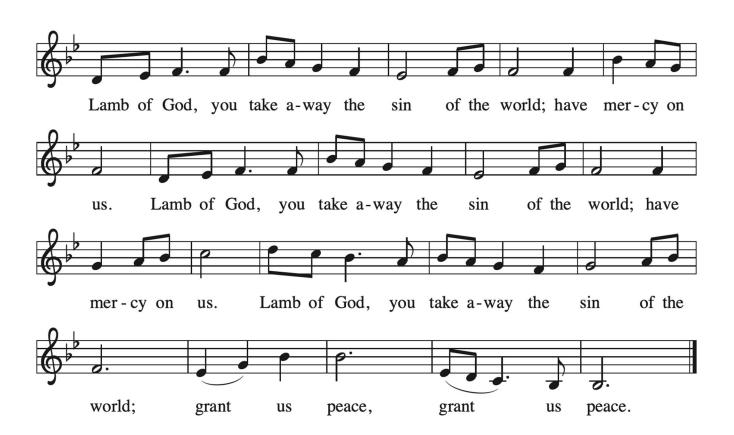
Amen.

**Communion** you may be seated

P All who are hungry, come! The feast of grace is spread.

Communion Song: "Lamb of God"

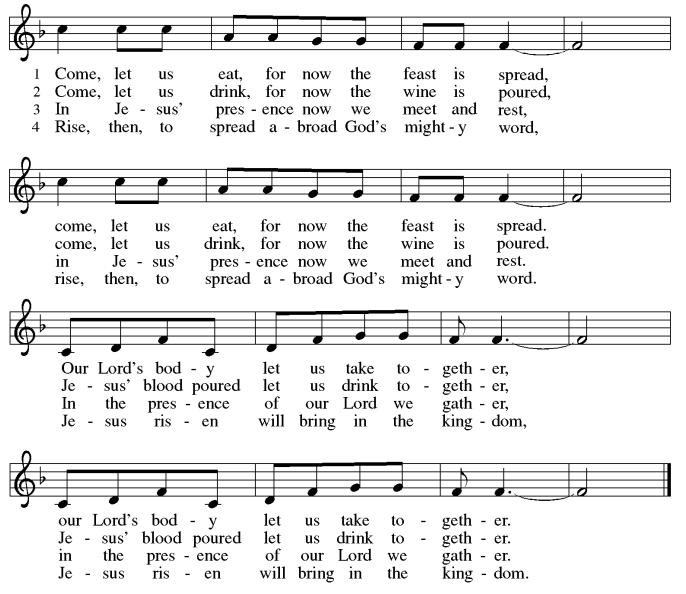
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#### Communion Song: "Come, Let Us Eat"

ELW #491



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## **Table Blessing**

please stand as you are able

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you always in God's grace.

#### C Amen

## **Prayer after Communion**

P Let us pray:

C Generous Host,
you have shared your feast with us and made us new.
Send us now to set tables of love and grace in our communities,
that your liberating love might nourish the world into freedom,
in the name of the crucified one, Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

#### **SENDING**

## **Blessing**

P God our tender parent, God the crucified one, God the reconciling Spirit, Bless you now and forever.

#### C Amen.

#### **Sending Song:** "As the Sun with Longer Journey"

ELW #329



- 1 As the sun with long-er jour-ney melts the win-ter's snow and ice,
- 2 Through the days of wait-ing, watch-ing, in the des-ert of our sin,
- 3 Praise be giv en to the mak er of the sea-sons' year-ly round:



with its slow-ly grow-ing ra-diance warms the seed be-neath the earth, search-ing on the far ho - ri - zon for a sign of cloud or wind, Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it—Source, Sus - tain-er, Lord of life,



may the sun of Christ's up - ris - ing gent-ly bring our hearts to life. we a - wait the heal - ing wa - ters of our Sav - ior's vic - to - ry. as the ev - er turn - ing a - ges roll to their e - ter - nal rest.

Text: John Patrick Earls, osb, b. 1935 Music: NAGEL, Carl F. Schalk, b. 1929

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#### **Dismissal**

- P Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.