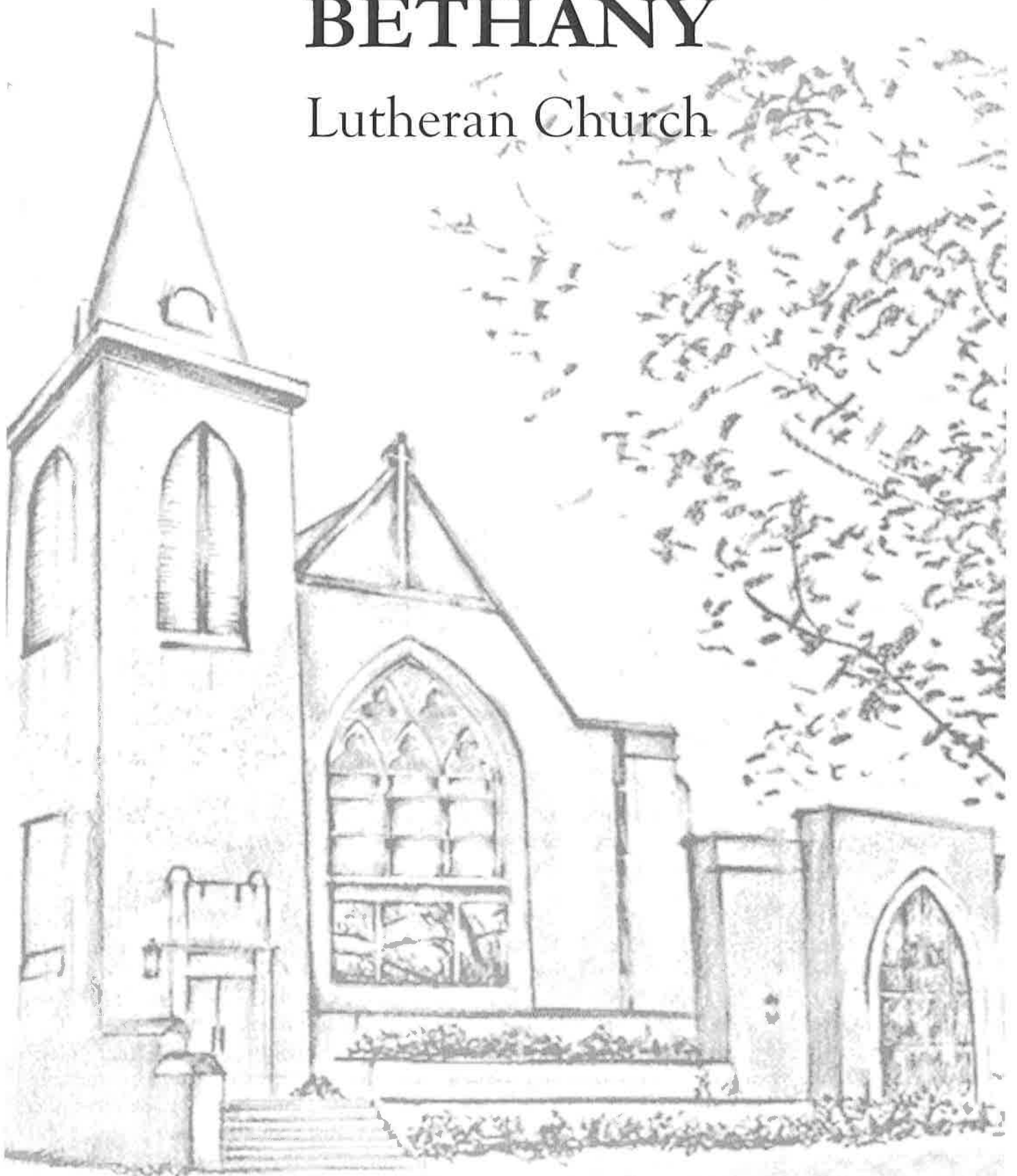


BETHANY

Lutheran Church



The First Sunday in Lent
February 26, 2023

WELCOME TO BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Welcome

In the name of Jesus Christ, we welcome you as we gather to hear God's holy Word and celebrate the meal of Holy Communion. We are blessed by your presence. As God welcomes all people through the saving grace of Jesus, so do we seek to welcome all God's people to be together in Christ – to love, to grow, and to serve.

Should you have no church home, you are invited to consider Bethany. If you have questions for the pastor or church office, please call at 630.879.3444 or visit our website at www.bethanybatavia.org. Welcome!

Assistance in Worship

For those who find it difficult to stand or prefer to sit during any part of the service, please feel free to remain seated.

Children's Resources

Children's worship bulletins are available in the narthex and from the ushers.

Nursery

While not yet staffed, the nursery is open for parents who may find it helpful. The nursery is located on the sanctuary level, where you will find a changing table, rocking chair and some toys. You can still hear the worship service through a speaker in the room. Ask an usher if you need assistance.

Cell Phones and Pagers

Please silence all cell phones and pagers. Thank you.

Coffee Hour

Thank you to the Quilter's Group for hosting Coffee Hour after service today in Fellowship Hall. Please join us.

Holy Communion

In Holy Communion the crucified and risen Christ is present, giving his true body and blood as food and drink. All are invited to the table where Christ himself is host. If you desire to be baptized, or to learn more about Holy Baptism, please speak to the pastor.

As We Gather:

Immediately after his baptism, Jesus is led by the Spirit into the wilderness. He goes to be tested, and tested he is. The devil makes offers that are hard to refuse: turning stones to bread, protection from danger, and the chance to reign over the kingdoms of the world. One might wonder why Jesus doesn't simply take the devil up on his offer. The answer lies in how the devil begins the temptations: "If you are the Son of God..." If. It's a little word filled with big trouble. Does Jesus need to prove to anyone that he is the Son of God? Does he need to prove his identity to himself? Will he allow a shred of doubt or pride to enter his thinking? In the end, no. Where Adam and Eve failed, where you and I fail, Jesus triumphs. Jesus is able to trust that he is the Son of God because, well, that's who his Father says he is. In Christ and by his victory, we are able to finally believe that we are who God says we are, daughters and sons of God. No ifs, ands, or buts about it.

+ GATHERING +

PRELUDE Ah, Holy Jesus

Arr. for Piano – Alan F. Spear

Welcome and Announcements

We stand

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P God of all mercy and consolation,
come to the help of your people,
turning us from our sin to live for you alone.
Give us the power of your Holy Spirit
that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness,
and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

Silence for reflection and self-examination

P Gracious God,

C have mercy on us.

**We confess that we have turned from you
and given ourselves into the power of sin.**

We are truly sorry and humbly repent.

**In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown,
things we have done and things we have failed to do.**

**Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit,
so that we may live and serve you in newness of life
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

Amen.

P God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin,
and made us alive together with Christ.

As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority,
I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins,
in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

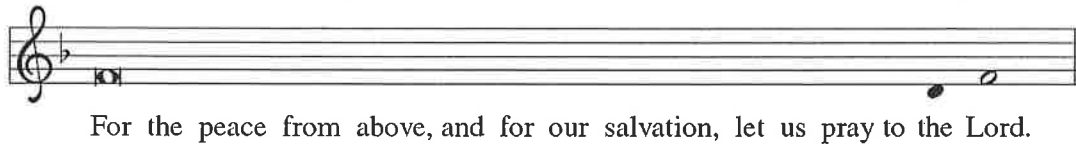
C And also with you.

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ELW Setting Three



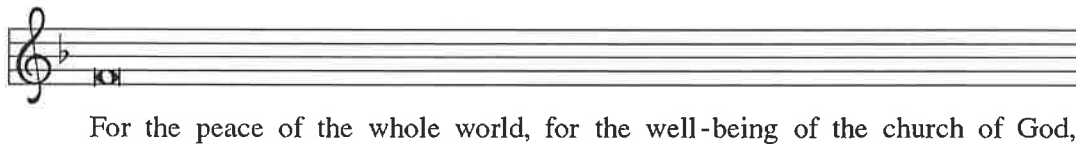
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



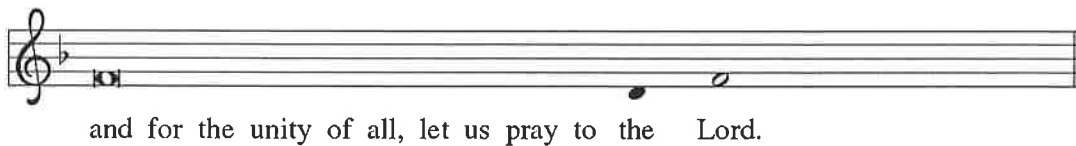
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



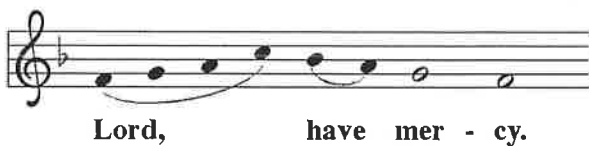
Lord, have mer - cy.



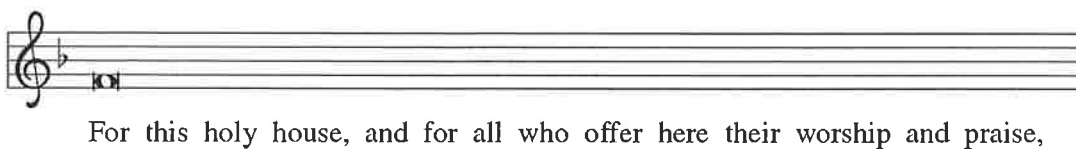
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



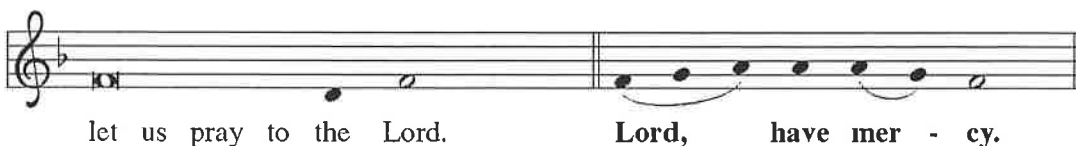
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



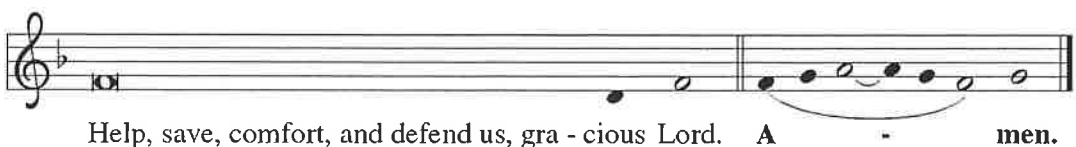
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Lord God, our strength,
the struggle between good and evil rages within and around us,
and the devil and all the forces that defy you tempt us with empty promises.
Keep us steadfast in your word,
and when we fall, raise us again and restore us
through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

We sit.

+ WORD +

FIRST READING: Genesis 2:15–17; 3:1–7

The Lord GOD took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. ¹⁶And the Lord GOD commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; ¹⁷but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

^{3:1}Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord GOD had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, "You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?" ²The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; ³but God said, "You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" ⁴But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; ⁵for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." ⁶So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. ⁷Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

L Word of God, word of life.

C **Thanks be to God.**

- A Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven,
and whose sin is put away!
- C **Happy are they to whom the Lord imputes no guilt,
and in whose spirit there is no guile!**
- A While I held my tongue, my bones withered away,
because of my groaning all day long.
- C **For your hand was heavy upon me day and night;
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.**
- A Then I acknowledged my sin to you,
and did not conceal my guilt.
- C **I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord."
Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.**
- A Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble;
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.
- C **You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.**
- A "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go;
I will guide you with my eye.
- C **Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding;
who must be fitted with bit and bridle,
or else they will not stay near you."**
- A Great are the tribulations of the wicked;
but mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord.
- C **Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord;
shout for joy, all who are true of heart.**

SECOND READING: Romans 5:12–19

Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned — ¹³sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. ¹⁴Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.

¹⁵But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. ¹⁶And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. ¹⁷If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

¹⁸Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. ¹⁹For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

L Word of God, word of life.

C **Thanks be to God.**

We stand.

GOSPEL VERSE: Return to the Lord Your God

ELW Setting Three



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and



mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in



stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 4:1–11

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourth chapter.

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

Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ²He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. ³The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." ⁴But he answered, "It is written,

'One does not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

⁵Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, ⁶saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

'He will command his angels concerning you,'
and 'On their hands they will bear you up,
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'"

⁷Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

⁸Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; ⁹and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." ¹⁰Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written,

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

¹¹Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

We sit.

SERMON

Pastor Jeffrey G. Mikyska
Matthew 4:1–11

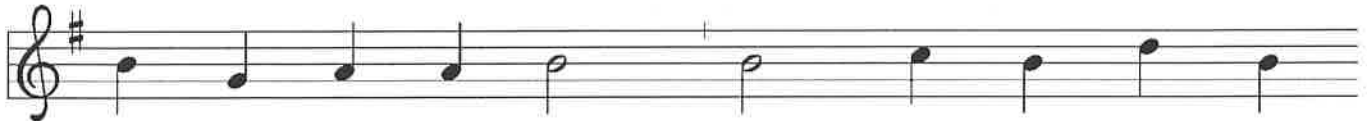
We stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY: The Glory of These Forty Days

ELW #320



1 The glo - ry of these for - ty days we cel - e -
2 A - lone and fast - ing Mo - ses saw the lov - ing
3 So Dan - iel trained his mys - tic sight, de - liv - ered
4 Then grant, O God, that we may, too, re - turn in



brate with songs of praise; for Christ, through whom all
God who gave the law; and to E - li - jah,
from the li - ons' might; and John, the Bride - groom's
fast and prayer to you. Our spir - its strength - en



things were made, him - self has fast - ed and has prayed.
fast - ing, came the steeds and char - i - ots of flame.
friend, be - came the her - ald of Mes - si - ah's name.
with your grace, and give us joy to see your face.

Text: Latin hymn, 11th cent.; tr. Maurice F. Bell, 1862–1947, alt.

Music: ERHALT UNS, HERR, J. Klug, *Geistliche Lieder*, 1543

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NICENE CREED

A Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith:

C **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,**
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A Sustained by God's abundant mercy, let us pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

A You alone are God. Sustain your church in times of wilderness. Give vision and wisdom to bishops, their staff, and all entrusted with the ministry of administration (*especially*). Counsel all who faithfully lead your people into the future. Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**

A You create verdant gardens and expansive deserts. Tend to the needs of every living creature. Bless those who work in fields and orchards (*local sources of food and food distributors may be named*), that the world is nourished by the fruits of their labor. Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**

A You know our temptations. Sustain those who govern and legislate. Instill in them a sense of your justice and righteousness, that equity and peace would pervade all the regions and nations of the world. Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**

A You are a hiding place for all in distress. Draw near to exiles, and accompany all refugees and immigrants, especially children who travel alone. In times of trouble, trauma, or illness, surround your people with your steadfast love (*especially*). Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**

A You offer abundance to all. Bless the ministries of hospitality in this place. Care for those who tend to the needs of others, especially ushers, coffee hour hosts, and worship leaders (*other ministries of care and hospitality may be named*). Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**

A You alone are God. We praise you for the faithful departed in every age. Unite our prayers with theirs, until our wilderness journey is complete, and we rest in you. Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray,
Trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
C **Amen**

+ MEAL +

PEACE OF CHRIST

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C **And also with you.**

We greet one another in the name of the Lord.

We sit.

OFFERING MUSIC: My Song is Love Unknown

Arr. Alan F. Spear

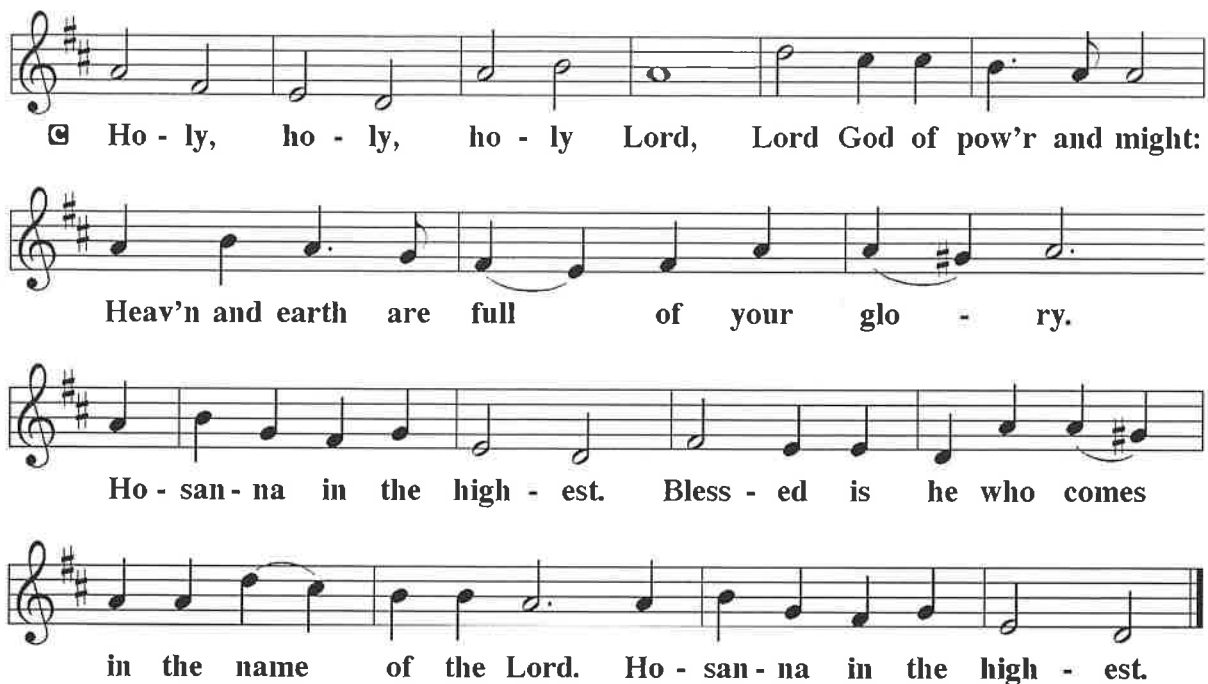
OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Let us pray. God our provider,
C **you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 God thanks and praise.**

P It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. We constantly struggle every day between the ways of this world and your divine purpose for us. Yet, you invite us to cleanse our hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast. Renew our zeal in faith and life, and bring us to the fullness of grace that belongs to the children of God. In return, with both the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:
 Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
 Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
 in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

P Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth,
 for you have had mercy on us and given your only-begotten Son
 that whoever believes in him shall not perish, but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for the priceless grace you have bestowed upon us
 through Jesus Christ, who died upon the tree of Calvary
 and rose again to make us living branches,
 drawing our life from him and bearing fruit in all the world.

On 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.

Send your Holy Spirit, the Spirit of truth and power,
 to renew our faith as we receive our crucified and risen Lord
 who comes to us in this, his body and blood.

All honor and glory are yours, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
 in your holy Church, now and forevermore.

C Amen.

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus has taught us:

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.

P These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

C **Thanks be to God.**

P All are welcome to join us for the holy meal. Come, for all is now ready.

We sit.

AGNUS DEI

ELW #196



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

COMMUNION

Our Lord Jesus Christ welcomes you to this meal. The crucified and risen Christ is present in the Lord's Supper, giving us his true body and blood as food and drink.

Gluten-FREE rice wafers are available upon request and for those desiring it, non-alcoholic wine cups are in the center of the tray.

MUSIC FOR HOLY COMMUNION

HYMN: Praise and Thanks and Adoration

ELW #783



1 Praise and thanks and ad - o - ra - tion, Son of God, to you we give,
2 Hold me ev - er in your keep - ing, com - fort me in pain and strife;



for you chose to serve cre - a - tion, died that sin - ers all might live.
through my laugh - ter and my weep - ing, lift me to a no - bler life.



Dear Lord Je - sus, guide my way; faith - ful let me day by day
Draw my fer - vent love to you; con - stant hope and faith re - new



fol - low where your steps are lead - ing, find ad - ven - ture, joys ex - ceed - ing!
in your birth, your life and pas - sion, in your death and res - ur - rec - tion.

Text: Thomas H. Kingo, 1634-1703; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*
Music: FREU DICH SEHR, *Trente quatre pseauxes de David*, Geneva, 1551
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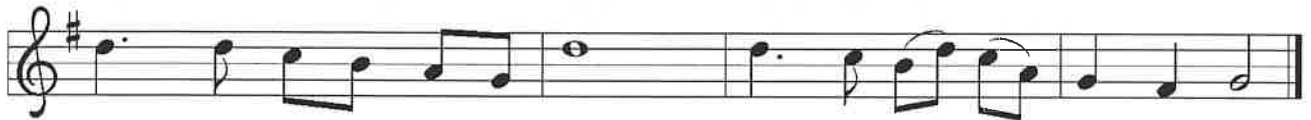
1 Guide me ev - er, great Re - deem - er, pil - grim through this
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain where the heal - ing
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious



bar - ren land. I am weak, but you are might - y; hold me
 wa - ters flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me
 fears sub - side; death of death and hell's de - struc - tion, land me



with your pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,
 all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - 'rer, strong de - liv - 'rer,
 safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs and prais - es, songs and prais - es



feed me now and ev - er - more, feed me now and ev - er - more.
 shield me with your might - y arm, shield me with your might - y arm.
 I will raise for - ev - er - more, I will raise for - ev - er - more.

Text: William Williams, 1717–1791; tr. William Williams and Peter Williams, 1722–1796, alt.
 Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873–1932

We stand.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen us and keep us in his grace.

C **Amen.**

A Let us pray.

Almighty God, we give you thanks that you have fed us with the bread of heaven,
 the body and blood of your Son.

In your mercy, sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage,
 that faith in you might be revealed in acts of fervent love toward one another;
 for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

+ SENDING +

BENEDICTION

P Almighty God: Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless us now and forever.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN: A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

ELW #504



1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -
2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -
3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat - 'ning to de -
4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who



to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and
ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom
vour us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they
fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with



wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe
God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?
can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;
weap - ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,



has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might
The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,
in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;
goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,



he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.
God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.
God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.
they can - not win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

DISMISSAL

A Even amidst our constant struggles, go in peace and serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: Meditation on “Martyrdom”

Lani Smith



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Pastor Steve Ritter, Assisting Minister
Alan Spear, Organist
Ellen Grashorn, Reader
Fred Holch, Doug Boehm, A/V
Ann Holch, Dorothy Thorsen, Altar Guild
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LET US PRAY

We pray for all who are hospitalized in our greater community and for those who are serving them.

Please pray for those who are part of the life of Bethany who struggle with illness and other concerns:

Mary Bradtmueller, Diane Garland, Debbie Garrison, Robert Granquist, Marcia Hanlon, Dolores Hoffman, Deb Hruby, Anna Jackson, Karin Johnston, Luke & Diane Land, Bill Lechnick, Bob Novy, Louise Pruitt, Kathy Richmond, JoAnn Sargent, Marilyn Stanley, George & Shirley Striedl, Pat Sullivan

Please pray for those who are homebound and those in a care facility:

Mark Anderson	Silverado Memory Care, St Charles
Lois Elfstrom	Aurora, IL
Bill Keele	Heritage Woods
Pam Klingberg	Heritage Woods
Wanda Krentz	Harry J. Ekstam, Holmstad
Mildred Miller	Reserve of Geneva, Geneva
Rhonda Nelson	Batavia, IL
Joan Olson	Michaelsen Health Center, Holmstad
Pat Quast	Asbury Gardens
Jay & Carol Wierz	Harry J. Ekstam, Holmstad

Please pray for all those serving in the military, especially those who are connected to our congregation.

Please pray for our family and friends:

Nancy Bishop	Sister of Sue Colella
Bonnie & Jim Hines	Parents of Suzanne Grashorn
Tina Motter	Sister of Jackie Page
Mary Hughs	Sister of Jackie Page
Cindy Weinert	Sister-in-Law of Pam Klingberg
Dottie	Friend of Paulette Smigo
Diane Sharp	Friend of Ed Schalk
Lizzie Bork	Friend of Julie Howard
Anne Kaar	Daughter of Kris Kaar
Sydney Mowen	Friend of Lane Stahl
Nancy & Mike	Sister & Brother-in-Law of Karol Clark
Steve Ziemer	Friend of Kathy Richmond
Jeffrey Campbell	Nephew of Nan Phillips
Kate and Family	Friend of John & Karol Clark
Damon Schultz	Son-in-Law of Shyla Carbone
Sue S.	Friend of Bob & Sue Novy
Nicole	Friend of Linda Sullivan
Alice Hendrikson	Friend of Lynn & Bill Dreymler
Bigby Suddarth	Friend of Allie Mikyska
Maureen Scollon	Friend of Lois Benson & Dottie White
Lauren Hanson	Supervisor of Janice Reynolds
Jaylene Lump	Acquaintance of Janice Reynolds
Pam Paszotta	Sister of Tom & Dee Schuman
Senaida Stafford	Niece of Tom & Dee Schuman
Emily	Friend of Tom & Dee Schuman
Chris Sidler	Friend of Luke & Diane Land
Lisa	Friend of Beth Richard
Lynn Krambeer Stoddard	Cousin of Pastor Jeff & Gail Mikyska
Heather	Friend of Schuman Family

Gretchen VanKempema
Loy Williams
Ryan Anderson
Linda Raish
Vic and Anne Lee
Lynne Morrow
Kenzie
Rebecca and family
Floyd Anderson
Barbara Garrison
Paul Mazen
Bonnie Palshis
Heather Staudacher, Dr. Mark Staudacher & family,
Phil
Kathy Dee's Family
Mary Jo Benstein's Family
Susan Sheley
Bonnie
Carole W.
DeAnne & Gary
Brad Blue
Megan Campbell
Diane Ekstam Johnson
Tammy English
Jerry Martin
Teri Prokes
Tony Prokes
Kelli Robertson
Wolfgang Smailus
Ed Stahl

Daughter of Ann Holch
Friend of Ann & Fred Holch
Son of Aaron Anderson
Friend of Kathy Richmond & Sandy Conn
Friends of Debbie Garrison
Friend and Colleague of Pastor Jeff & Gail
Friend of Katie Robertson
God-Daughter of Beth Lawniczak
Beth Richard's Father
Bill Garrison's mother

Sister-in-Law of Doug Boehm
Friend/Coworker of Beth Richard
Lynn Dreymler's brother
Teri Figura
Teri Figura
Daughter of Louise Pruitt
Friend of Pastor Jeff
Friend of Ann & Fred Holch
Niece & Nephew of Shirley Grant
Friend of Lois Benson
Granddaughter of Scotty & Maureen Scollon
Mother of Mary Helen Ekstam
Daughter of Shirley Streidl
Father of Nicki McVey
Sister of Sue & Bob Novy
Brother-in-law of Bob & Sue Novy
Daughter of Diane Schalk
Brother-in-law of Marty Offutt Gruber
Father of Dan Stahl

Please pray for those who mourn the passing of:

Mike Monken

Mary Rasori
Dr. Mark Bangert
Howard
Virginia Clark-Lorenz
Martha Nelson

Brother/Brother-in-Law of John & Karol Clark

Sister-in-Law of Brian & Tara Shannon
Friend and Colleague of Pastor Jeff Mikyska
Grandfather of Andrew & Leah Macaione
Sister/Sister-in-Law of John & Karol Clark
Sister of Bob Nelson

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

- 15 Olaf Storaasli & Andi Balloun
- 16 Charles & Sue Bauer
- 21 David & Beth Richard
- 27 Douglas & Andrea Alwin

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

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|----|------------------|----|-------------------|
| 1 | Kevin Hodge | 12 | Jim Smigo |
| 1 | Nancy Hodge | 13 | Sandra Daunheimer |
| 2 | Sue Carney | 13 | Molly Walz |
| 2 | Marie Holtz | 14 | Ethan Long |
| 2 | Andrew Macaione | 14 | Peg Wagenknecht |
| 2 | Cindy Morrison | 15 | Parker Haslett |
| 4 | Doug Alwin | 15 | Eva Holzl |
| 4 | Norm Freedlund | 15 | Jack Holzl |
| 4 | Marion Schuman | 15 | Jan Meling |
| 4 | Owen Schuster | 16 | Pete Petges |
| 4 | Alek Woo | 17 | Mark Peterson |
| 5 | Anthony Ariola | 18 | Jori Toles |
| 5 | Frank Ariola | 19 | Cheri Sager |
| 6 | Nicole Woo | 20 | Lyndsi Sauriol |
| 7 | Dale Howard | 20 | Parker Thomassen |
| 8 | Christian Daw | 22 | Megan Depke |
| 9 | Addison Cooper | 22 | Jack Gillerlain |
| 9 | Grace Cooper | 23 | Katie Tharp |
| 9 | Donna Dahlman | 24 | David Moe |
| 10 | Anne Kaar | 26 | Katie Crowley |
| 11 | Seth Habberfield | 28 | Ryan Anderson |
| 11 | Jane Holt | 28 | David Bunting |
| 11 | Dianc Land | 29 | Brian Barrett |
| 12 | Dan Foelske | 29 | Laurie Lundborg |
| 12 | Debbie Garrison | 30 | Anders Thomassen |
| 12 | Jeff Karalis | | |

THIS WEEK AT BETHANY

Sunday, February 26

9am	Worship	Sanctuary
10am	Coffee Hour	Fellowship Hall
10:30am	Bible Study	Chapel
10:30am	Sunday School	Ministry Center, 2 nd Floor
2:30pm	Hesed House Prep	Kitchen
4:30pm	Hesed House Serving	Hesed House
	Family Emergency Shelter	

Monday, February 27

8:30am	Bethany Walking Group	Ministry Center Gym
9am	Counters	Conference Room
6:30pm	Fox Valley Beekeepers Association	Fellowship Hall
7pm	Council	Library

Tuesday, February 28

8:30am	Bethany Walking Group	Ministry Center Gym
9am	Quilters	Fellowship Hall
11:30am	Prayer Shawl Ministry	Fellowship Hall
1pm	Bible Study	Library
6:30pm	DV Support Group	Youth Room
6:30pm	Girls BSA Troop 6	Vlahn Room/Gym

Wednesday, March 1

8:30am	Bethany Walking Group	Ministry Center Gym
1pm	Organ Rehearsal – Holly Herber	Sanctuary
6pm	Youth Bells	Balcony
6:30pm	High School Youth Group	Youth Room/Ministry Ctr
6:30pm	Confirmation Class	Fellowship Hall
7pm	Men's Basketball	Ministry Center Gym
7:30pm	Mid-Week Lenten Service	Chapel

Thursday, March 2

8:30am	Bethany Walking Group	Ministry Center Gym
6pm	Bell Choir	Balcony
7pm	Boy Scout Troop 6	Ministry Center Gym/Vlahn Room
7pm	Festival Choir	Sanctuary

Friday, March 3

8:30am	Bethany Walking Group	Ministry Center Gym
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Saturday, March 4

7:30am	Men's Basketball	Ministry Center Gym
10am	Al-Anon	Library
10am	Al-Ateen	Library
8pm	AA	Fellowship Hall

Sunday, March 5

9am	Worship	Sanctuary
10am	Coffee Hour	Fellowship Hall
10:30am	Bible Study	Chapel
10:30am	Sunday School	Ministry Center, 2 nd Floor
11:30pm	Pack #153 Blue & Gold (Set-Up)	Fellowship Hall
12:30pm	Pack #153 Blue & Gold	Fellowship Hall

