GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT FEBRUARY 18, 2024

10:45 AM Praise Worship Service with Holy Communion

A nursery room is available with an audio/visual of the service. Please consult with an usher if you need assistance. This service is being recorded and livestreamed to our Facebook page. The service will also be uploaded to our YouTube channel.

*You are invited to stand

S GATHERING ≪

GATHERING MUSIC

Praise Team

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- Blessed be the holy Trinity,
 one God, who writes the law on our hearts, who draws all people together through Jesus.
 Amen.
- P Held in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

- P Holy God, We confess that we are caught in snares of sin and cannot break free. We hoard resources while our neighbors are hungry and cold. We speak in ways that silence others. We are silent when we should speak up. We keep score in our hearts. We let hurts grow into hatred. For all these things and for sins only you know, forgive us, Lord. Amen.

*GATHERING SONG

"(Know) Be Still"

Words and Music by Jeremy Riddle; © 2020 Vindicate Publishing | Watershed Music Publishing

Verse

Be still

Be still and know that In stillness and quiet That I am the Lord

And let go

Let go of your worries

Only one thing is needed Just be still and know

Chorus

Be still and know
That I am the Lord

(Repeat verse and chorus)

Final Verse

Be still
Be still and know that
In stillness and quiet
That I am the Lord

You can let go
Let go of your worries
Only one thing is needed
Just be still and know
Be still and know

*GREETING

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

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Holy God, heavenly Father, in the waters of the flood you saved the chosen, and in the wilderness of temptation you protected your Son from sin. Renew us in the gift of baptism. May your holy angels be with us, that the wicked foe may have no power over us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **@ Amen.**

S WORD ≪

FIRST READING

L A reading from Genesis

At conclusion of reading

Genesis 9:8-17 Pew Bible, Page 7

■ The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

L A reading from 1 Peter

1 Peter 3:18-22

At conclusion of reading

Pew Bible, Page 1105

■ The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*GOSPEL

P The holy gospel according to Mark.

Mark 1:9-15

G Glory to you, O Lord.

Pew Bible, Page 910

At conclusion of reading

■ The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ

MEDITATION

Pastor Karen Boda

*SONG OF DAY

"Desert Song"

Words and Music by Brooke Ligertwood; © 2008 Hillsong Music Publishing Australia

Verse 1

This is my prayer in the desert When all that's within me feels dry This is my prayer in my hunger and need My God is the God who provides

Verse 2

This is my prayer in the fire
In weakness or trial or pain
There is a faith proved of more worth than
gold
So refine me Lord through the flame

Chorus

I will bring praise
I will bring praise
No weapon formed against me shall remain
I will rejoice
I will declare
God is my victory and He is here

Verse 3

This is my prayer in the battle When triumph is still on its way I am a conqueror and co-heir with Christ So firm on His promise I'll stand (To Chorus)

Verse 4

This is my prayer in the harvest
When favour and providence flow
I know I'm filled to be emptied again
The seed I've received I will sow

INSTALLTION OF NEW MEMBERS

- P Dear friends, we give thanks ...
- **1** 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.

- People of God...
 Let us welcome these sisters and brothers in Christ to this community of faith.
- We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and

praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.

*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The Assisting Minister will close each petition with the words, "Hear us, O God." worshippers respond with the words, "Your mercy is great".

<u>SMEAL≪</u>

OFFERING

The "Who's Who in the Pew" pads are passed as the offering is received.

OFFERING SONG

"Beauty for Ashes"

Praise Team

-by Chris McClarney and Brenton Brown

*OFFERING PRAYER

A Jesus, you are the bread of life and the host of this meal. Bless these gifts that we have gathered that all people may know your goodness. Feed us not only with this holy food but with hunger for justice and peace. We pray this in your name.

Amen.

*WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

*INVITATION TO COMMUNION

COMMUNION

COMMUNION SONGS

"Everlasting God"

Words and Music by Brenton Brown and Ken Riley;© 2005 Thankyou Music

Verse

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord We will wait upon the Lord We will wait upon the Lord Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord We will wait upon the Lord We will wait upon the Lord

You're the defender of the weak You comfort those in need You lift us up on wings like eagles (Repeat verse, then chorus 2x's)

Chorus

Our God You reign forever
Our Hope our strong Deliv'rer
You are the everlasting God
The everlasting God
You do not faint
You won't grow weary

"Jesus You Have Called Us (I Will Follow)"

Words and Music by Joel Payne; © Joel Payne - RESOUNDworship.org

Verse 1

Jesus You have called us Come follow me Take up your cross Deny yourself and live Jesus I am willing Though I am weak I'll trust You And I'll go where You lead

Chorus

I will follow
I will follow
I will follow
Where You lead

Verse 2

Jesus You have shown us
How we should live
In sacrifice
Humility and love
Jesus I am willing
Though I am weak
I'll follow You
With Your Spirit in me
(To Chorus)

"40 Days"

Words and Music by Matt Maher; © 2003 spiritandsong.com

Verse 1

Forty days to wander
Forty days to die to self
Forty days to grow stronger
As faith breaks open the gates of hell
The jubilee is over
But grace is far from gone
In the hearts of the faithful
Broken on the wheels of love

Chorus

'Cause in the desert of temptation Lies the storm of true conversion Where springs of living water Drown and refresh you And as the Jordan pours out change Your true self is all that remains Where springs of living water Bind and break you (Bind and break you)

Verse 2

Forty days to remember
The Paschal sacrifice
Forty days to discover
His passion calls us to new life
The jubilee is over
But mercy's far from gone
In the arms of the Father
As the wayward child comes home
(CHORUS)

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

P May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. Amen.

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P Generous God, at this table we have tasted your immeasurable grace. As grains of wheat are gathered into one bread, now make us one loaf to feed the world; in the name of Jesus, the Bread of life. **G Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING ✓

*BLESSING

P Beloved, we are God's own people, holy, washed, renewed. God bless you and keep you, shower you with mercy, fill you with courage, and ⊕ give you peace.

Amen.

*SENDING SONG "Broken Vessels (Amazing Grace)"

Words and Music by Joel Houston and Jonas Myrin; © 2014 Hillsong MP Songs | Hillsong Music Publishing Australia

Verse 1

All these pieces Broken and scattered In mercy gathered Mended and whole Empty handed

But not forsaken I've been set free

I've been set free

Chorus

Amazing grace
How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
Oh I once was lost
But now I am found
Was blind but now I see

Oh I can see You now
Oh I can see the love in Your eyes
Laying Yourself down
Raising up the broken to life

Verse 2

You take our failure
You take our weakness
You set Your treasure
In jars of clay
So take this heart Lord
I'll be Your vessel
The world to see Your life in me oh
(Chorus)

*DISMISSAL

- P Go in peace. Share your bread.
- C Thanks be to God.

SENDING MUSIC

Praise Team

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Nancy Blair

Pat Bodoh

Karen Gardell

Marty & Donna Johnson

Susan Kornburger

Gunther & Mary Ann Rankenburg

Greg Spitznagel

Erik & Ally, Griffin & Trillian Storla

Elaine Swanger

Davis & Taryn, Pamela Wilhoit

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