

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

FEBRUARY 18, 2024

8:30 AM Traditional 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.

**You are invited to stand*

✠ GATHERING ✠

PRELUDE

“The Glory of These Forty Days”
“Lynn Trapp”

Gay Lynn Ferry

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.**

✠ Held in God’s mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

✠ 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.**

✠ Here is a flood of grace: Out of love for the whole world, God draws near to us, breaks every snare of sin, washes away our wrongs, and restores the promise of life through ✠ Jesus Christ. ☩ **Amen.**

***GATHERING HYMN**

“O Lord, throughout These Forty Days”

ELW #319

***GREETING**

✠ 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.**

*KYRIE (*sung*)

front of ELW pg.147

☩ In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

☩ Lord, have mercy.

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

☩ Lord, have mercy.

☩ 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 mercy.

☩ For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

☩ Lord, have mercy.

☩ Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

☩ Amen.

*CANTICLE OF PRAISE (*Sung*)

front of ELW pg.148

☩ Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

☩ Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING

℣ A reading from Genesis

Genesis 9:8-17

At conclusion of reading

Pew Bible, Page 7

℣ The Word of the Lord. **☩ Thanks be to God.**

PSALM (*Sung Responsively*)

Psalm 25:1-10

☩ To ¹you, O LORD,
I lift ¹up my soul.

nor let my enemies triumph ¹over me.

☩ My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be ¹put to shame,

☩ Let none who look to you be ¹put to shame;

rather let those be put to shame | who are treacherous.

☞ Show me your | ways, O LORD, and teach | me your paths.

☞ Lead me in your | truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all | the day long.

☞ Remember, O LORD, your compas- | sion and love, for they are from | everlasting.

☞ Remember not the sins of my youth and | my transgressions; remember me according to your

steadfast love and for the sake of your good- | ness, O LORD.

☞ You are gracious and up- | right, O LORD; therefore you teach sinners | in your way.

☞ You lead the low- | ly in justice and teach the low- | ly your way.

☞ All your paths, O LORD, are steadfast | love and faithfulness to those who keep your covenant and your | testimonies.

SECOND READING

℣ A reading from 1 Peter

At conclusion of reading

1 Peter 3:18-22

Pew Bible, Page 1105

℣ The Word of the Lord. **☞ Thanks be to God**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** (*Sung*)

front of ELW pg. 151

☞ Return to the Lord, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

***GOSPEL**

℣ The holy gospel according to Mark.

Mark 1:9-15

☞ 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

***HYMN OF DAY**

"When We Are Tested"

ACS #922

Text: Ruth Duck, b.1947 Music: SLANE, Irish traditional Text © 1996 Hope Publishing Company



1 When we are test - ed and wres - tle a - lone,
2 When in the des - ert we cry for re - lief,
3 When we are tempt - ed to bar - ter our souls,
4 When we have strug - gled and searched through the night,

fam - ished for bread when the world of - fers stone,
 plead - ing for paths marked by cer - tain be - lief,
 trad - ing the truth for the pow'r to con - trol,
 sort - ing and sift - ing the wrong from the right,

nour - ish us, God, by your word and your way,
 lift us to love you be - yond sign and test,
 teach us to wor - ship and praise on - ly you,
 Sav - ior, sur - round us with cir - cles of care,

food that sus - tains us by night and by day.
 trust - ing your pres - ence, our on - ly true rest.
 seek - ing your will in the work that we do.
 an - gels of heal - ing, of hope, and of prayer.

INSTALLATION OF NEW MEMBERS

P Dear friends, we give thanks ...

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.

P People of God...

Let us welcome these sisters and brothers in Christ to this community of faith.

C 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**".

MEAL

OFFERING

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

OFFERING ANTHEM

"Out In The Wilderness"

-by Jay Beech

Chancel Choir

*OFFERING HYMN

"Seed That in Earth Is Dying"

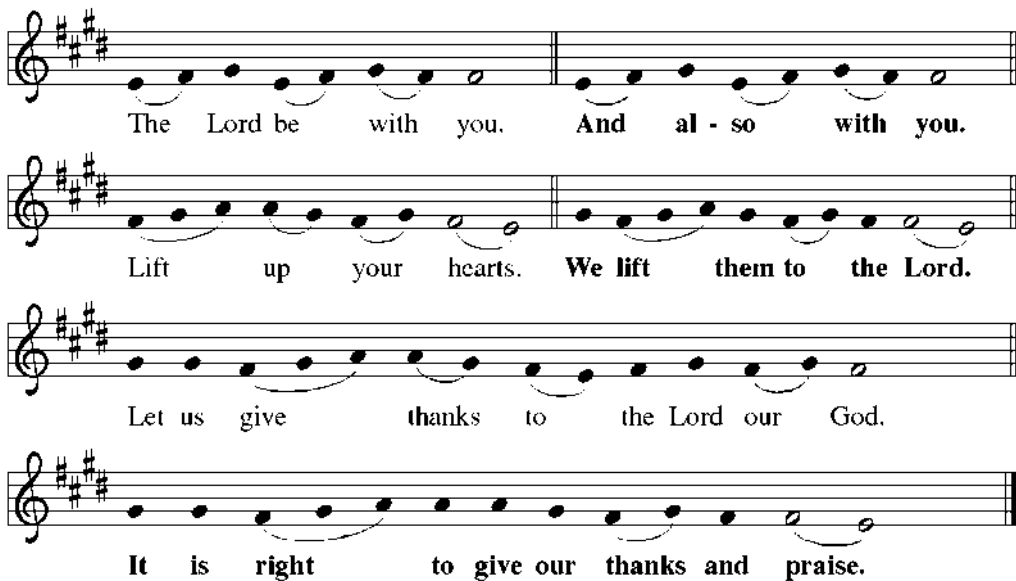
ELW #330 vs 1 & 3

*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.

C Amen.

*GREAT THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION



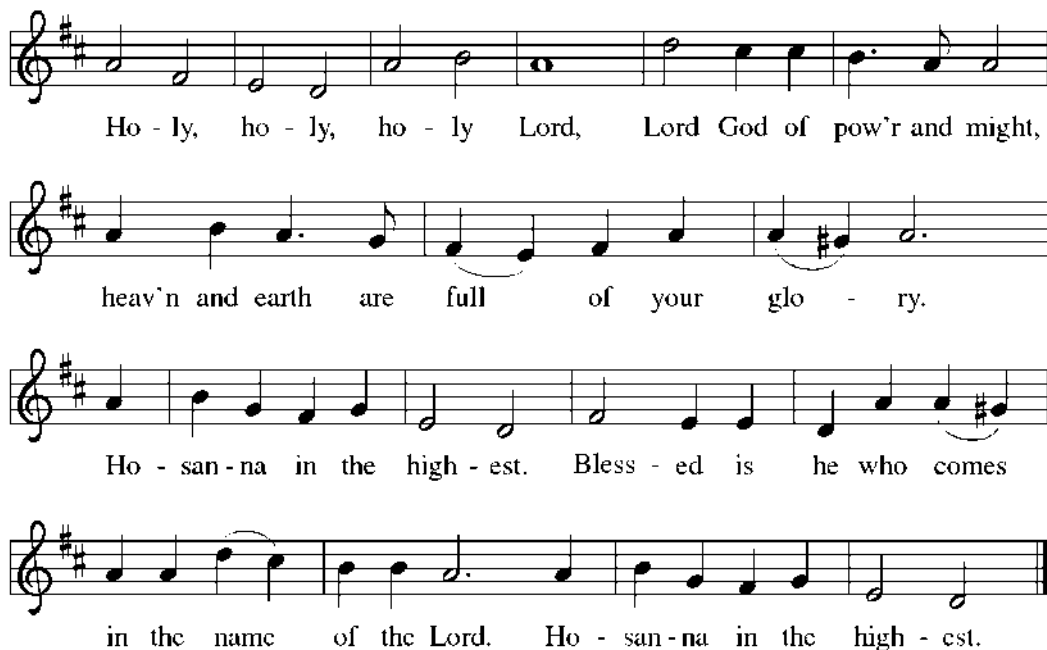
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P It is indeed right...praise your name and join your 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.

*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

*LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
 us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



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COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMNS

“I Want Jesus to Walk with Me”

ELW #325

“Bless Now, O God, the Journey”

ELW #326

*POST COMMUNION BLESSING

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

A Amen.

*SENDING HYMN

“Jesus, Still Lead On”

ELW #624

*DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Share your bread.

A Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

“I Want Jesus to Walk With Me”

Gay Lynn Ferry

GOOD SHEPHERD STAFF

Rev. Karen Boda.....Interim Pastor
Gay Lyn Ferry Supply Organist
Pam Weinelt..... Praise Team Coordinator
Melina Thurmond..... Youth/Family
.....Ministry Coordinator
.....& Office Coordinator
Donna Garges..... Media Coordinator
Carrie Escamilla Bookkeeper
Aaron Frink..... Custodian

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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instrument of grace for all sheep of the Good Shepherd.*

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