

Sunday, March 1, 2026  
Second Sunday in Lent  
10:00 AM



**Welcome to Worship!**  
As we prepare for worship, please silence your mobile devices.  
We invite you to a time of silence and focus.



**WELCOME TO WORSHIP:** It is our joy to welcome you to worship today, in-person and from wherever you may be viewing. We give thanks for whatever brought you, and pray that you may experience the love of God surrounding you and upholding you as we gather together to give thanks to God through Word and Sacrament.

**ASSISTED LISTENING DEVICES** are available to use in the Sanctuary for worship. They are located in the Sound Booth; ask the Sound Booth operator if you would like to use one.

**WORSHIP IS LIVESTREAMED** in the Faith and Family Center (located near the entrance doors to the large parking lot). Anyone is welcome to worship in that space.

**HOLY COMMUNION:** All are welcome at the Lord's table. Holy Communion is God's Word made visible in bread and wine. At communion distribution, the BREAD is placed in the hands. Red wine and White grape juice are offered by individual cups. Gluten free options are available, as well.

**WE WELCOME CHILDREN IN WORSHIP!** Like Jesus who welcomed children to his ministry, Saint Andrew's welcomes children to our worship services.

Re-usable activity bags (for readers and non-readers) with books, stickers, crayons, paper, and a snack are available from the usher/hospitality team; please return the bags following worship.

- "Younger Disciples Tips" are in the bulletin with ideas to engage children in worship.
- "A Time for Younger Disciples" during worship invites all God's children to listen to a message.

**Health Practices in place to help reduce the spread of viruses and illness:**

- Mask wearing is optional. Anyone who wishes to mask is welcome to do so.
- Hand sanitizer is available throughout the building.

For other activities, events, meetings check our website: <https://SALC.church>

**VIDEO AND AUDIO RECORDING IN PROGRESS**

**Saint Andrews livestreams and records its worship services to YouTube.**

**Video and Audio recording is currently in progress. It is possible that video footage and/or audio conversations of worshippers in the Saint Andrew's Sanctuary may appear on the YouTube livestream/recording.**



**PRAYER**

Pastor Lara

Please stand as you are able.

**HYMN**

**We Come to You for Healing, Lord**



1 We come to you for heal - ing, Lord, of  
 2 As once you walked through an - cient streets and  
 3 You touch us through phy - si - cians' skills, through  
 4 When nights are long with wake - ful - ness, through  
 5 We come to you, O lov - ing Lord, in



bod - y, mind, and soul, and pray that by your  
 reached toward those in pain, come, ris - en Christ, a -  
 nurs - es' gifts of care, and through the love of  
 days when strength runs low, grant us your gift of  
 our dis - tress and pain, in trust that through our



Spir - it's touch we may a - gain be whole.  
 mong us still with pow'r to heal a - gain.  
 faith - ful friends who lift our lives in prayer.  
 pa - tience, Lord, your calm - ing peace to know.  
 nights and days your grace will heal, sus - tain.

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin before God, who removes our guilt and blots out all offenses.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

## KYRIE

*Sing two times.*

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy; have mer - cy, O Lord.

Gracious God,

**have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.**

**For seeking worldly delights that deceive us and dishonor you,  
for desiring self-reliance instead of hungering for your word,  
for failing to recognize your coming reign,  
and for hindering the work of the Spirit;  
for drawing from the well of self-serving ambition,  
and for disdaining the living water Christ offers;  
for disregarding voices from the margin,  
and for distrusting signs of your healing and hope in the world;  
for dwelling in tombs of self-pity and discontent,  
and for disregarding Christ's call to come forth to life;**

**have mercy on us according to your steadfast love, gracious God. Amen.**

God's steadfast love, grace, and forgiveness abound.  
In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.  
The Spirit of the One who raised Christ from the dead  
dwells in you, pours God's love into your hearts,  
and gives you life and peace.

**Amen.**

### **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 together. Bend your ear to our prayers, Lord Christ,  
**and come among us. By your gracious life and death for us, bring light into the  
darkness of our hearts, and anoint us with your Spirit, for you live and reign with  
the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

**Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

**A TIME FOR YOUNGER DISCIPLES**

*Pastor Lara*

# WORD

## **ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE GOSPEL**

The Holy Gospel according to John.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

### **GOSPEL: John 9:1-41**

As Jesus walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” Jesus answered, “Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God’s works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of the One who sent me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.” When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man’s eyes, saying to him, “Go, wash in the pool of Siloam” (which means “Sent”). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, “Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?” Some were saying, “It is he.” Others were saying, “No, but it is someone like him.” He kept saying, “I am he.” But they kept asking him, “Then how were your eyes opened?” He answered, “The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, ‘Go to Siloam and wash.’ Then I went and washed and received my sight.” They said to him, “Where is he?” He said, “I do not know.”

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a Sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, “He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see.” Some of the Pharisees said, “This man is not from God, for he does not observe the Sabbath.” Others said, “How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?” And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, “What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened.” He said, “He is a prophet.”

The Temple authorities did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, “Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?”

His parents answered, “We know that this is our son and that he was born blind, but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes.

Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself.” His parents said this because they were afraid of the Temple authorities, who had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, “He is of age; ask him.”

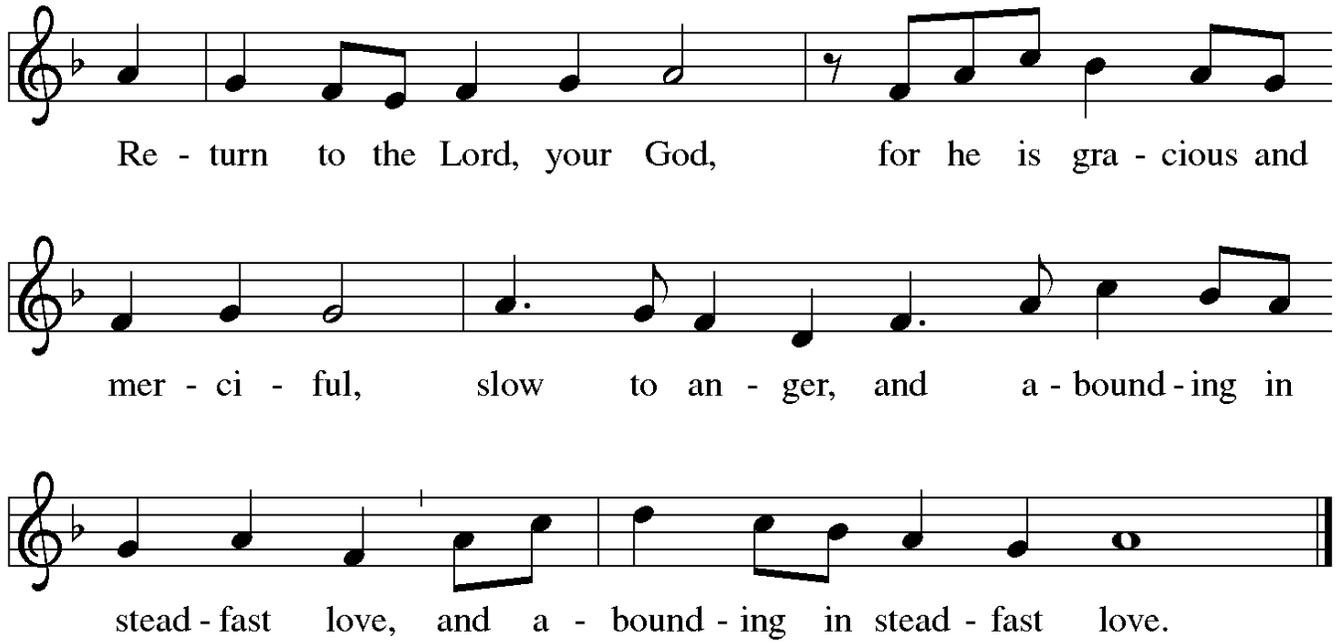
So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, “Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner.” He answered, “I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see.” They said to him, “What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?” He answered them, “I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?” Then they reviled him, saying, “You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from.” The man answered, “Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing.” They answered him, “You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?” And they drove him out.

Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him he said, “Do you believe in the Son of Humanity?” He answered, “And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him.” Jesus said to him, “You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he.” He said, “Lord, I believe.” And he worshiped him. Jesus said, “I came into this world for judgment, so that those who do not see may see and those who do see may become blind.” Some of the Pharisees who were with him heard this and said to him, “Surely we are not blind, are we?” Jesus said to them, “If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, ‘We see,’ your sin remains.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**GOSPEL RESPONSE**



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.

**SERMON**

Pastor Lara Forbes

*Please stand as you are able*



HYMN

# Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

1 A - maz - ing grace!— how sweet the sound— that  
2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and  
3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I  
4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his  
5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but  
grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that  
have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me  
word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and  
shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

now am found; was blind, but now I see.  
grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!  
safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.  
por - tion be as long as life en - dures.  
sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

## **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

### **Apostles' Creed**

Trusting in God's baptismal promises, we affirm our faith using the words of the Apostles' Creed.

**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 power of 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.**

*\* here, "catholic" means the wholeness of the church in all times and places.*

*Younger Disciples Tip ~ Prayers/Offering: Invite children to write down who they want to pray for this week and one way they can serve their family/community.*



**THE PRAYERS**

*Sing at the beginning and end of the prayers, and between petitions as led by musicians.*

**Hear Our Prayer**  
*Prayer Response*



Hear our prayer, hear our prayer, Lord, make us whole:



peace to all peo - ple, hope for each soul.



God of grace, in this place, hear now our prayer.

**THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

*Please greet people around you as you are comfortable.*

*Please be seated.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Pastor Lara

**OFFERING** Our ushers will be passing offering plates. We welcome your gifts to support the mission and ministry of Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church. There are envelopes in the pews, or you can give online using the QR code.



**OFFERTORY MUSIC** "There Is a Balm in Gilead" African American Spiritual  
Mark Baker, flugelhorn; Will Simpson, piano

*Please stand as you are able.*

**OFFERTORY VERSE**



2 With grate-ful joy and ho - ly fear, God's char - i - ty we learn;



let us with heart and mind and soul now love God in re - turn.



**OFFERTORY PRAYER:** O God, maker of heaven and earth,  
your steadfast love embraces all creation. You send rain and sunshine to nourish the earth and bring forth its bounty. Through these gifts of bread and wine, draw us into the death and life of your Son, who calls us to bear witness to his saving work. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

## **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

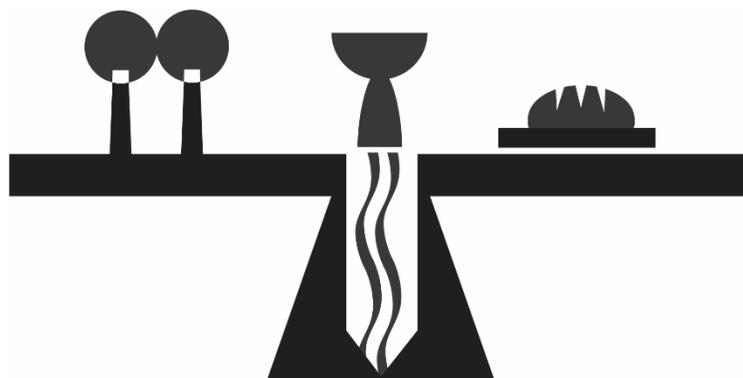
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

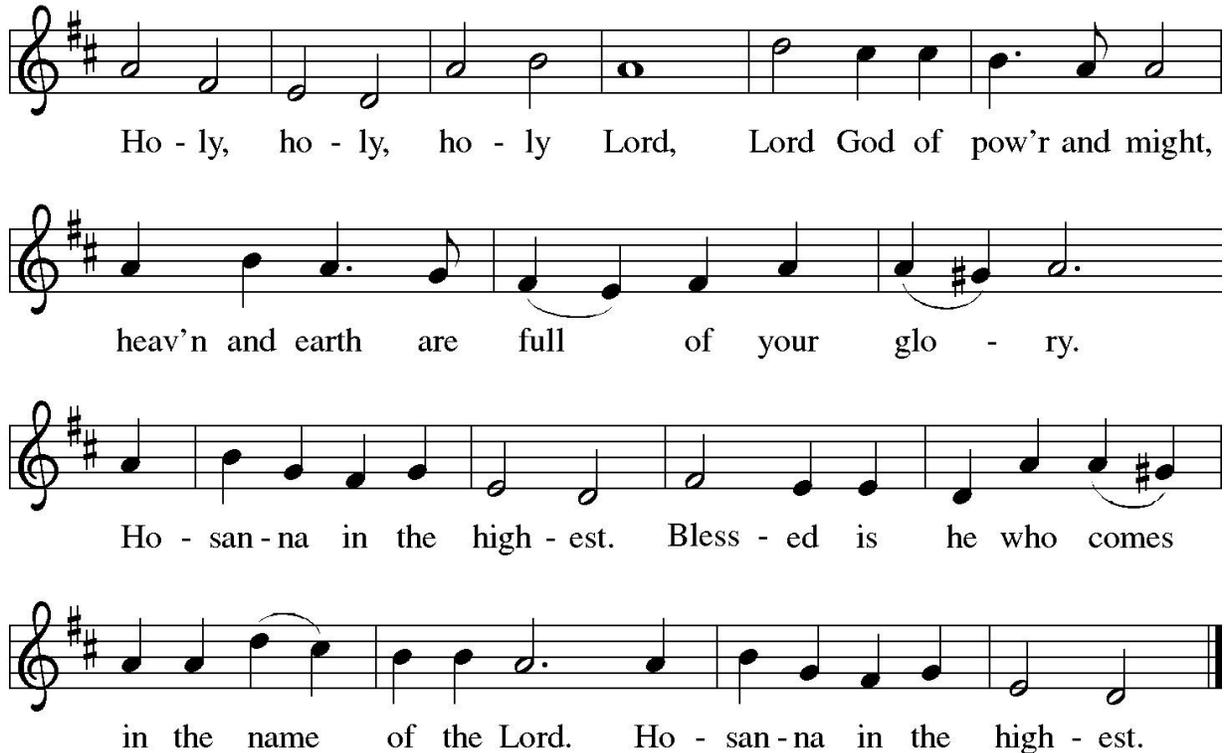
It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ.

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:



## SANCTUS



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

On the night that Jesus was betrayed, he took bread, blessed and broke it and shared it with his friends, saying, "Take and eat, this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After they had eaten, Jesus took the cup, blessed it, and shared it with his friends, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood which is shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

We pray together the prayer Jesus taught us:

### THE 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

All who are hungry, come to the table.  
**The feast of grace is spread.**

*Please be seated. We wait silently as the participants who are worshipping online are communed. All are invited and welcome at the Lord's table.*

## LAMB OF GOD



1 Your on - ly Son, no sin to hide, but you have



sent him from your side to walk up - on this guilt - y



sod and to be - come the Lamb of God. *Refrain* O Lamb of



God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the ho - ly Lamb of God. Oh, wash me



in your pre - cious blood, my Je - sus Christ, the Lamb of God.

## COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

Communion is received around the altar rail. You are invited to kneel or stand as you feel comfortable. Please follow the directions of the ushers and use the hand sanitizer provided.

Bread is placed in the hands. Red wine and White grape juice are offered by individual cup. Please ask if you would like a gluten-free option.

If you wish to be communed in your seat, please let one of the ushers/hospitality team know.

## COMMUNION HYMN

### Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup

*Refrain*



Eat this bread, drink this cup. Taste and see the good-ness of God.



Bread of life, cup of love, we re-joice in your pres-ence.



- 1 I will bless the Lord at all times, praise with heart and voice;
- 2 Look up - on the Lord, be ra - dant, nev - er turn a - way.
- 3 An - gels fold their wings a - round us, guard through good and ill.
- 4 Saints of God, bow down and wor - ship, bless the ho - ly name.

*Refrain*



in my God I glo - ry for - ev - er: lis - ten and re - joice!  
God will save in ev - 'ry af - flic - tion, hear us when we pray.  
Those who seek the Lord will lack noth - ing; taste, and have your fill.  
Rise to tell God's great - ness for - ev - er, won - drous deeds pro - claim!

*Please stand as you are able.*

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

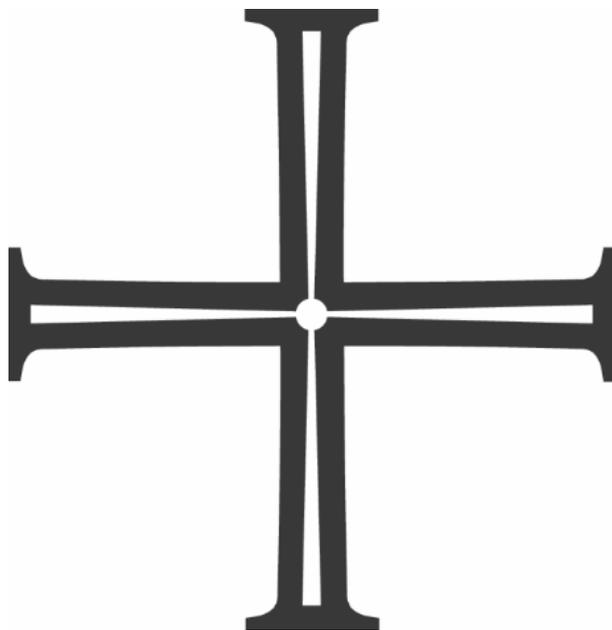
Let us pray together. God of our salvation,  
**we give you thanks for this meal that restores our souls, reconciles us to you, and strengthens us for the journey. Through the body and blood of your Son, may we become Christ's body in the world, bearing witness to your love for all creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**  
**Amen.**

## **SENDING**

*Younger Disciples Tip ~ Blessing: Mark the sign of the cross on your child's forehead as a reminder of this sending blessing*

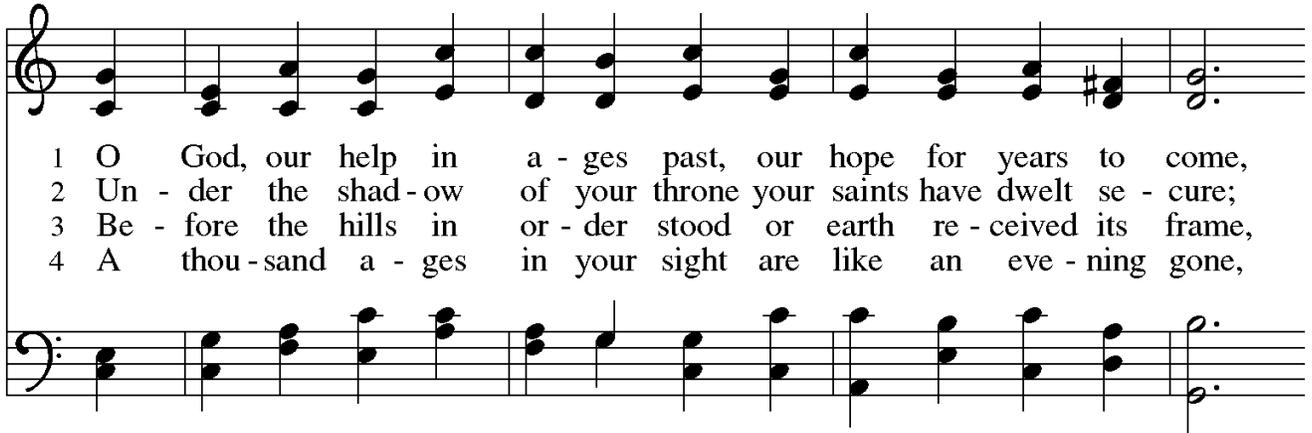
### **BLESSING**

May God, who calls all things into existence, Jesus Christ, who redeems us, and the Holy Spirit, whose breath sustains creation, ✠ bless you now and always.  
**Amen.**



SENDING HYMN

# O God, Our Help in Ages Past



1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,  
2 Un - der the shad - ow of your throne your saints have dwelt se - cure;  
3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood or earth re - ceived its frame,  
4 A thou - sand a - ges in your sight are like an eve - ning gone,



our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:  
suf - fi - cient is your arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.  
from ev - er - last - ing you are God, to end - less years the same.  
short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.

5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,  
bears all our years away;  
we fly forgotten, as a dream  
dies at the op'ning day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,  
our hope for years to come,  
still be our guard while troubles last  
and our eternal home!

## **SENDING**

*All children and youth are invited to come forward to participate in the sending.*

Go in peace. Share God's love.

**Thanks be to God!**

## **POSTLUDE**

**"It Is Well With My Soul"**

Philip Bliss

*Mark Baker, flugelhorn; Will Simpson, piano*



## **Thank you to all who are assisting with worship today:**

Pastor Lara Forbes, *Preaching and Presiding*

Will Simpson, *Director of Music*

Elaine Koga, *Accompanist*

Tom Getzinger, *Assisting Minister*

Michele Vossler, *Lector*

Avery Laub, *Acolyte*

Shana & Erik Nielsen, *Ushers*

JoAn Eklof and Ann Berglind, *Altar Guild*

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Johannes Grad, *Audio*

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Johannes Grad, *Coffee host*

**Worship Text for March 8  
Third Sunday in Lent  
John 10:1-18**

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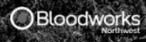
**COMMUNITY  
GAME NIGHT**

THE EVENT IS OPEN TO ALL AGES

**SUNDAY - MARCH 15 - 5PM-7PM**

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**BLOOD  
DRIVE**

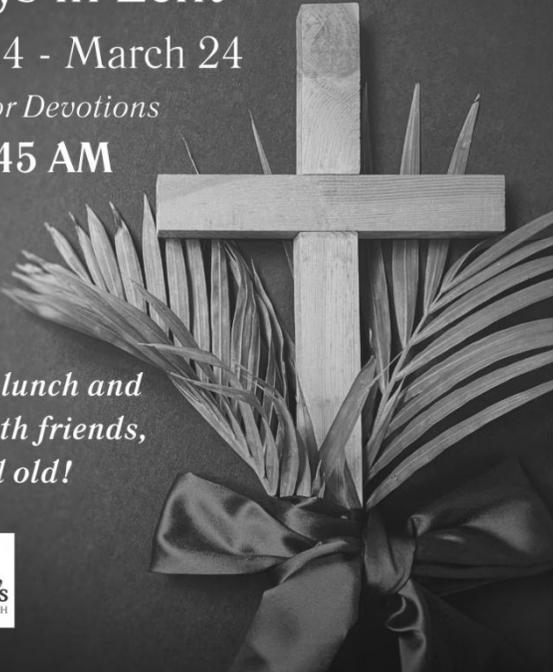
Drop a pint - enter to win a trip to Maui!!  
Use the QR Code to sign up!

**26  
MARCH  
2026**

THURSDAY  
09:00 AM - 3:00 PM  
Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church  
2650 148<sup>th</sup> Ave SE, Bellevue, WA

Tuesdays in Lent, come at 11:45 AM to the Fellowship Hall for Lenten devotions, Taizé music and prayer. Bring a sack lunch and stay for conversation with friends.

**Tuesdays in Lent**  
February 24 - March 24  
*Gather for Devotions*  
**11:45 AM**



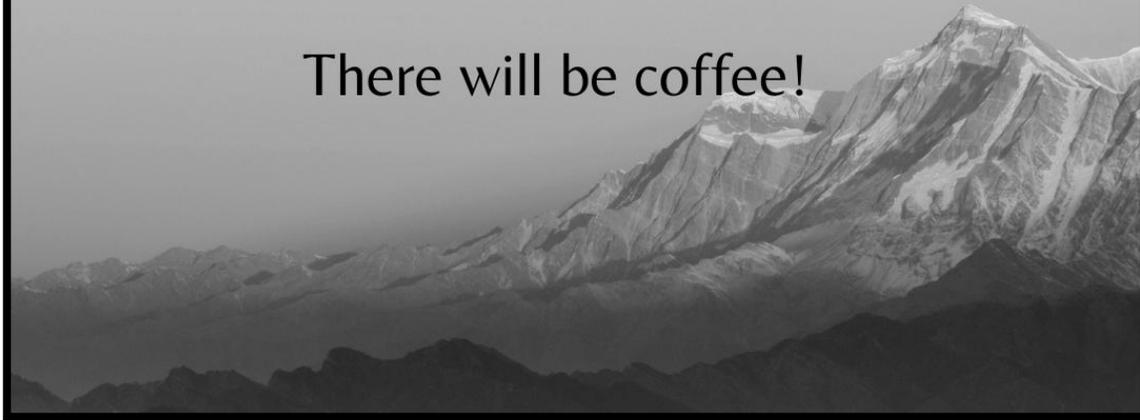
*Bring a sack lunch and stay to eat with friends, new and old!*



“Making All Things New:  
Our Predicaments Encountering God’s Presence”

Join us Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM  
as Pastor Tim Weber discusses  
his two volume series.

There will be coffee!



**Good Friday ELCC Choir - Calling all Vocalists!**

Friday, April 3 Rehearsal 5:45-6:46 PM, then sing for 7 PM Good Friday worship.

Sponsoring Church: Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Mercer Island

Choir is led by Scott Hafso, Director of Worship and Music at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. Questions? Contact [music@htlcmi.org](mailto:music@htlcmi.org) or call 206-232-3270

## Calendar

### Sunday, March 1

9:00 AM Education Hour, Guest Speaker  
Sunday School (preschool – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade)  
10:00 AM Worship

### Monday, March 2

10:00 AM Health & Wholeness Committee  
1:00 PM Staff Meeting  
7:00 PM Executive Committee

### Tuesday, March 3

8:30 AM Tuesday Morning Men  
9:30 AM Dorcas Circle  
10:00 AM Pastor's Bible Study  
11:45 AM Lent Devotions/Sack Lunch  
7:00 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal

### Wednesday, March 4

### Thursday, March 5

2:-00 PM Timber Ridge Worship  
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

### Friday, March 6

*Office is closed*

### Saturday, March 7

2:00 PM Pride Event/Nico Lang

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### Sunday, March 8

9:00 AM Education Hour, Guest Speaker  
Sunday School (preschool – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade)  
10:00 AM Worship  
4:00 PM Joint Confirmation  
Youth Group

### Monday, March 9

1:00 PM Staff Meeting  
7:00 PM Church Council / Hybrid

### Tuesday, March 10

8:30 AM Tuesday Morning Men  
10:00 AM Pastor's Bible Study  
11:45 AM Lent Devotions/Sack Lunch  
7:00 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal

### Wednesday, March 11

2:00 PM CARE Team Meeting  
4:00 PM Adult Education Meeting

### Thursday, March 12

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

### Friday, March 13

*Office is closed*

### Saturday, March 14

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### Sunday, March 15

9:00 AM Education Hour, Guest Speaker  
Sunday School (preschool – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade)  
10:00 AM Worship  
11:15 AM KnitWits  
12:30 PM Acolyte Meeting/ Virtual  
5:00 PM Community Game Night, St. Lukes

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**We are a Reconciling in  
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