

Sunday, March 30, 2025
The Fourth Sunday in Lent
10:00 AM

The parable of the rich man and Lazarus challenges the pursuit of wealth that can lead us into idolatry and away from faith in Christ, and invites us to pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, and gentleness so that there is no “poor man named Lazarus” dying at our gates. These pursuits shape our relationship with God and impact how we live our lives each day.

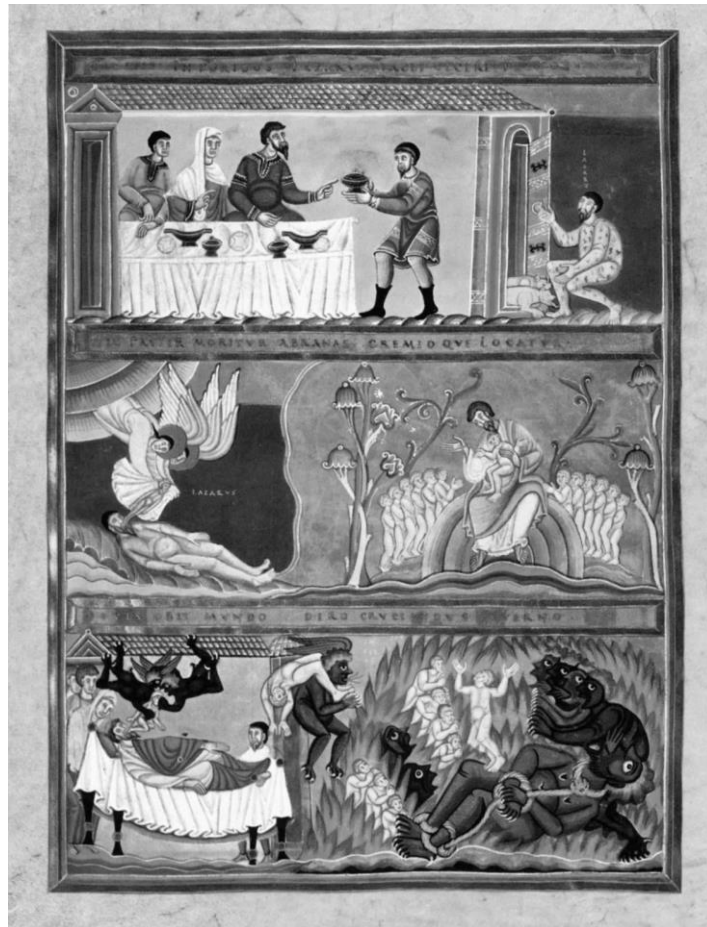


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Welcome to Worship!

***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.

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.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

“Pavane”
Will Simpson, Organ

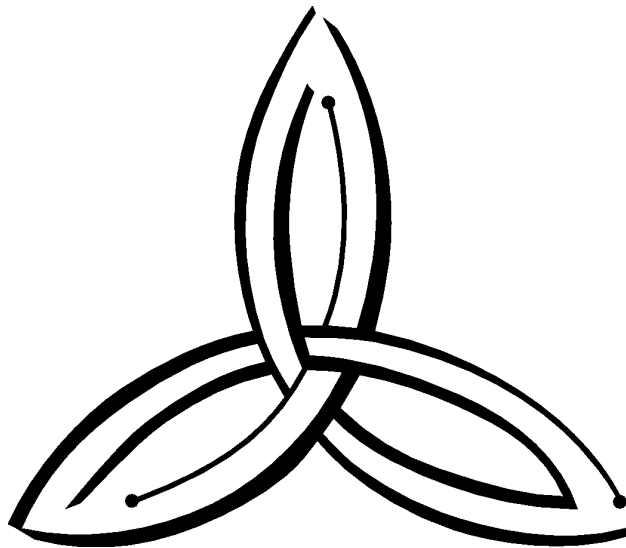
Gabriel Favré

WELCOME

Pastor Lara

Please stand as you are able.

*Worship leaders will say text in light print.
Congregation will say/respond with bold text.*



HYMN

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

1 A might - ty for - tress is our God, a bul - wark nev - er
 2 If we in our own strength con - fide, our striv - ing turns to
 3 Though all the world with dev - ils fill and threat - en to de -
 4 God's Word shall stand a - bove the pow'rs, shall end all their thanks-

fail - ing; our help - er frees us from the flood of
 los - ing; the righ - teous one fights by our side, the
 vour us, we trem - ble not, we trust God's will: they
 giv - ing. The Spir - it and the gifts are ours, for

mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing. For still our an - cient foe,
 one of God's own choos - ing. You ask who this may be:
 can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Though Sa - tan rant and rage,
 God with us is liv - ing. Let goods and kin - dred go,

for - sworn to work us woe, with guile and dread - ful might
 Christ Je - sus, it is he, the Lord of hosts by name.
 in fierc - est war en - gage, this ty - rant's doomed to fail;
 this mor - tal life al - so; though all of these be gone,

is armed to wage the fight: on earth there is no e - qual.
 No oth - er God we claim! None else can win the batt - le.
 God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word shall tri - umph.
 they yet have noth - ing won. The king - dom's our for - ev - er!

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

Amen.

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

KYRIE



1, 3	Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.	Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.
2	Chris - te e - le - i - son.	Chris - te e - le - i - son.
1, 3	<i>Lord, have mer - cy.</i>	<i>Lord, have mer - cy.</i>
2	<i>Christ, have mer - cy.</i>	<i>Christ, have mer - cy.</i>



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Silence is kept for reflection.

Compassionate One,
**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.**

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.
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. O God,
**rich in mercy, you look with compassion on this troubled world. Feed us with
your grace, and grant us the treasure that comes only from you, through
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Please be seated.

A TIME FOR YOUNGER DISCIPLES

You can find this in your Story Bible on page 386.

Pastor Lara

WORD

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Luke 16:19-31

[Jesus said,] “There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried.

In Hades, where the rich man was being tormented, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames.’ But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things and Lazarus in like manner evil things, but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.’ The rich man said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send Lazarus to my father’s house for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.’ Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.’ The rich man said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.’ Abraham said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’ ”

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

Please stand as you are able.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Word of God, Come Down on Earth

1 Word of God, come down on earth, liv - ing rain from
2 Word e - ter - nal, throned on high, Word that brought to
3 Word that speaks God's ten - der love, one with God be -

heav'n de - scend - ing; touch our hearts and bring to birth
life cre - a - tion, Word that came from heav'n to die,
yond all tell - ing, Word that sends us from a - bove

faith and hope and love un - end - ing. Word al - might - y,
cru - ci - fied for our sal - va - tion, sav - ing Word, the
God the Spir - it, with us dwell - ing, Word of truth, to

we re - vere you; Word made flesh, we long to hear you.
world re - stor - ing, speak to us, your love out - pour - ing.
all truth lead us; Word of life, with one bread feed us.

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Baptism of Aria Elizabeth Egan

God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have your child baptized into Christ?

Response: We do.

As you bring Aria Elizabeth to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities:

to live with her among God's faithful people,
bring her to the word of God and the holy supper,
teach her the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments,
place in her hands the holy scriptures,
and nurture her in faith and prayer,
so that she may learn to trust God,
proclaim Christ through word and deed,
care for others and the world God made,
and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help Aria grow in the Christian faith and life?

Response: We do.

Bobby and Katie, as sponsors do you promise to nurture Aria in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help her live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

Response: We do.

People of God, do you promise to support Aria Elizabeth and pray for her in her new life in Christ?

Congregation responds: We do.

Profession of Faith

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God, the powers of this world that rebel against God, and the ways of sin that draw you from God?

We renounce them.

Together with the whole church we confess our faith using the words of the Apostle's 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 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.**

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

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

Aria Elizabeth Egan, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your children new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life. Sustain Aria with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

Amen.

Aria Elizabeth, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

Amen.

Welcome

Let your light so shine before others
that they may see your good works
and glorify your Father in heaven.

Let us welcome Aria.

**We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share:
join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and
redeeming word to all the world.**

*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

After each petition, the leader will say, "God in your mercy".
Your response is, **receive 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 “Hymn of Promise” Natalie Sleeth
Sopranos and Altos of the Chancel Choir

*In the bulb there is a flower; in the seed, an apple tree;
In cocoons, a hidden promise: butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter there's a spring that waits to be,
Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.*

*There's a song in every silence, seeking word and melody;
There's a dawn in every darkness, bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future; what it holds, a mystery,
Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.*

*In our end is our beginning; in our time, infinity;
In our doubt there is believing; in our life, eternity,
In our death, a resurrection; at the last, a victory,
Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.*

OFFERTORY VERSE Now Thank We All Our God

3 All praise and thanks to God the Fa - ther now be giv - en,

the Son, and Spir - it blest, who reign in high - est heav - en,

the one e - ter - nal God, whom earth and heav'n a - dore;

for thus it was, is now, and shall be ev - er - more.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

We pray together. God, our 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

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.

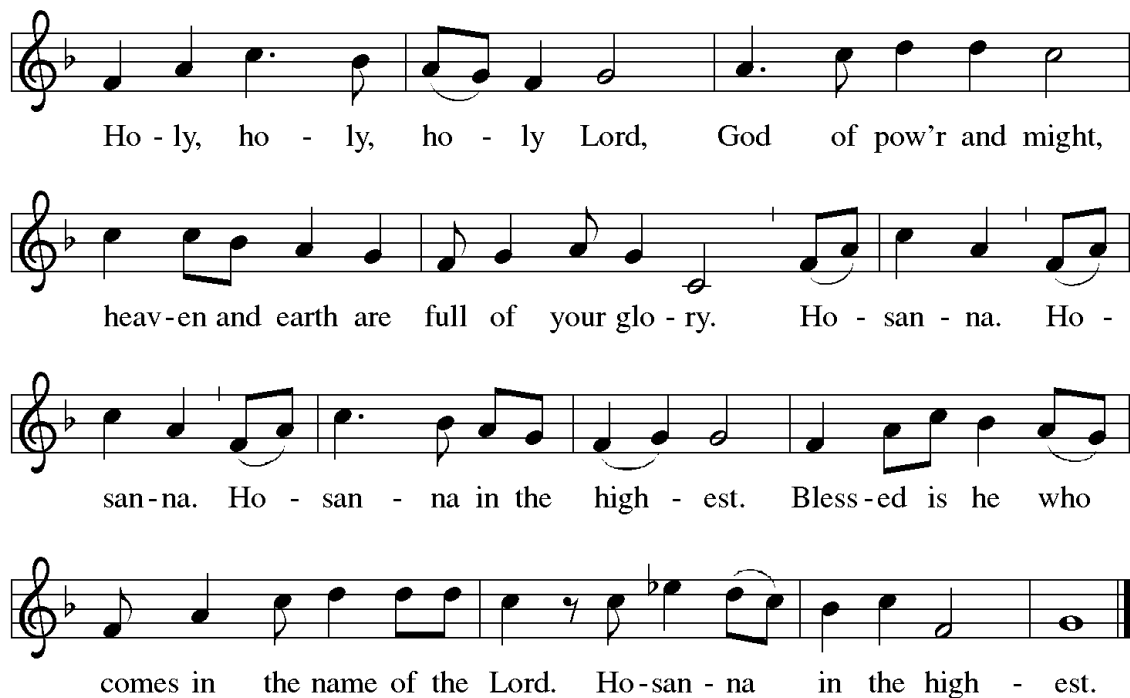
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. 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.”

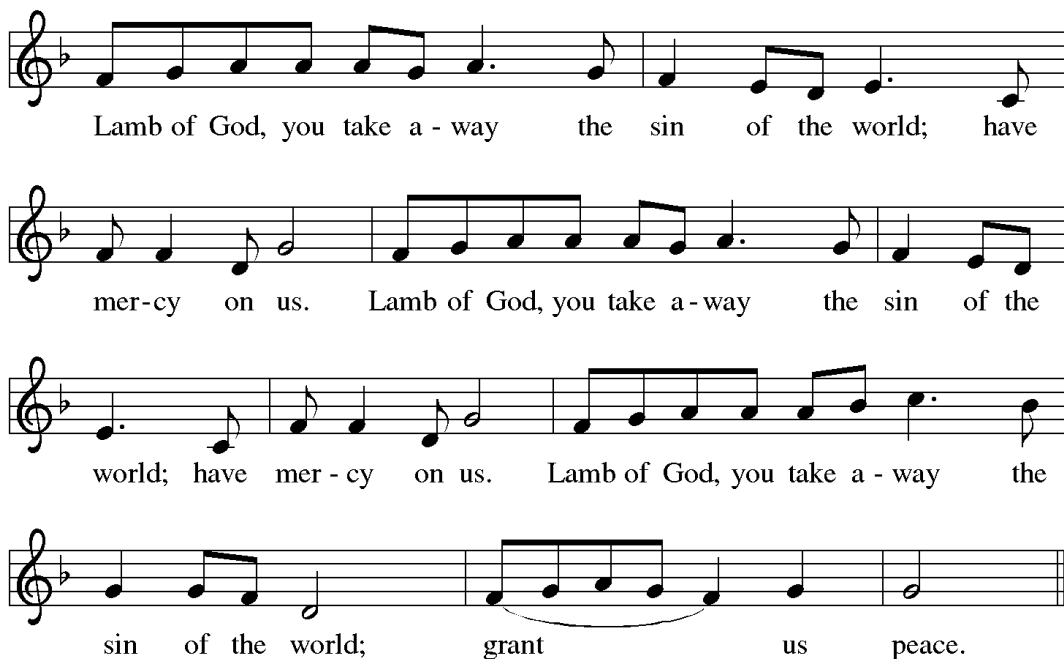
We pray together the prayer Jesus taught us:

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.

Please be seated. We wait silently as the participants who are worshipping online are communed.

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

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

Children of the Heavenly Father

Tryggare kan ingen vara

Tryg - ga - re kan ing - en va - ra än Guds lil - la bar - na - ska - ra,
1 Chil - dren of the heav'n-ly Fa - ther safe - ly in his bo - som gath - er;
2 God his own doth tend and nour-ish, in his ho - ly courts they flour-ish.
3 Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er from the Lord his chil - dren sev - er;
4 Though he giv - eth or he tak - eth, God his chil - dren ne'er for - sak - eth;

stjär - nan ej på him - la - fäs - tet, få - geln ej i kän - da näs - tet.
nest - ling bird nor star in heav - en such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.
From all e - vil things he spares them, in his might - y arms he bears them.
un - to them his grace he show - eth, and their sor - rows all he know - eth.
his the lov - ing pur - pose sole - ly to pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.

Please stand as you are able.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together. God, our 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

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

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.
Amen.

SENDING HYMN

O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts

1 O Je - sus, joy of lov - ing hearts, the fount of
2 We taste you, ev - er - liv - ing bread, and long to
3 For you our rest - less spir - its yearn, wher - e'er our
4 O Je - sus, ev - er with us stay! Make all our

life, the light of all: from ev - 'ry bliss that earth im -
feast up - on you still; we drink of you, the foun - tain -
chang - ing lot is cast; glad, when your smile on us you
mo - ments fair and bright! Oh, chase the night of sin a -

parts we turn, un - filled, to hear your call.
head; our thirst - ing souls from you we fill.
turn, blest, when by faith we hold you fast.
way! Shed o'er the world your ho - ly light.

SENDING

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

Go in peace. Share in love.

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

“Toccatà”
Will Simpson, Organ

Gaston Bélier

Thank you to all who are assisting in worship today:

Rev. Lara Forbes, Preaching and Presiding Minister

Dr. Will Simpson, Director of Music

Art Gurtel, Assisting Minister

Elaine Koga, Accompanist

David Vossler, Lector

Melanie Grad, Acolyte

Erik & Shana Nielsen, Ushers

JoAn Eklof and Jay Baxter, Altar Guild

Johannes Grad, Livestream Video

Peter Cornwell, Audio

Darcy & Dan Johnson, Greeters

Johannes Grad, Coffee Host

*The flowers today are given by Stella Nieman
in loving memory of Pastor Dick Nieman.*

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Announcements

“Speaking Truth to Power: What Would Bonhoeffer Do?” Led by Rev. Dr. Rick Rouse with Rev. Dr. Mark Brocker. Offered by Our Savior's Lutheran, Everett on March 30 in person and via ZOOM on Sundays at 11 am recordings will be available on YouTube. **Interested Saint Andrew’s members can head to the library after worship to watch the final ZOOM presentation today.**

It's that time of year again! The Health and Wholeness Committee is collecting items for **Personal Care Kits**. These basic items will be sent by LWR to designated areas around the world. These things are needed:

- TOWELS, 20" x 40"-27"x52". Light weight, dark colors. Need to be washed first.
- COMBS, large and sturdy. No pick combs
- METAL NAIL CLIPPERS, large size
- TOOTHBRUSHES, adult size
- SOAP, 4 or 5 oz.

Place items in LWR basket in Narthex, or leave in church office, designated for LWR. Many thanks for your support of this important ministry!

hopelink Hopelink doesn't often have a supply of spaghetti or similar pasta or pasta sauce in their market. It is something that their clients want but can't often get. So, that is what we will collect for March.

So, for March we are collecting:

- Pasta, particularly long pasta (spaghetti, linguine or fettuccine – in 1-pound packages)
- Pasta sauce (in 24 ounce jars)

Discipleship Hour: April 6: Jill Nichols-Hicks will be leading a Bible study on the messianic prophecies, with Brent speaking to the archaeology and geology of the region Jesus lived and did his ministry. Come at 9 AM!

**Worship Text for April 6
Luke 18:35-19:10**

Calendar for the Week

Sunday, March 23

9:00 AM Discipleship Forum
Sunday School (Pre-K~5th gr), (119)
10:00 AM Worship
11:00 AM “What Would Bonhoeffer Do?”, (L)
Imagine Housing Update, (FH)

Monday, March 24

1:00 PM Staff Meeting
7:00 PM Outreach Committee

Tuesday, March 25

8:30 AM Tuesday Morning Men
10:00 AM Bible Study with Pastor Lara
2:00 PM Sophia’s Place lunch drop-off

Wednesday, March 26

10:00 AM Sophia’s Place lunch

Thursday, March 27

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

Friday, March 28

Office is closed.

6:00 PM Jill Nichols-Hicks Women’s Event

Saturday, March 29

10:00 AM Council Retreat

Sunday, March 30

9:00 AM Discipleship Forum; Sunday School
(Pre-K~5th gr), (FH)
10:00 AM Worship
11:00 AM “What Would Bonhoeffer Do?”, (L)

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