

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

February 21, 2021

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN # 157: KYRIE (LORD, HAVE MERCY)

*In peace, in peace let us pray to the Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy.
For the reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all
let us pray to the Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy.
For your people here who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your Word,
let us pray to the Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy.
Help, save and defend us, O God. Amen.*

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HEAR OUR PRAYER (sing twice)

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.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

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 your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

1 PETER 3:18-22

LECTOR: SUE FROME

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON: PASTOR DAN HOEGER

HYMN # 319: O LORD, THROUGHOUT THESE FORTY DAYS

**O Lord, throughout these forty days you prayed and kept the fast;
Inspire repentance for our sin, and free us from the past.**

**You strove with Satan, and you won; your faithfulness endured;
Lend us your nerve, your skill and trust in God's eternal word.**

**Though parched and hungry, yet you prayed and fixed your mind above;
So teach us to deny ourselves that we may know God's love.**

**Be with us through this season, Lord, and all our earthly days,
That when the final Easter dawns, we join in heaven's praise.**

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PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Lord, in your mercy . . .

Hear us Jesus, hear us Jesus. Hear us Jesus, hear our prayer.

HOLY COMMUNION

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 us to cleanse our 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:

(Hymnal p. 130) **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna, in the highest!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

Hosanna, in the highest! Hosanna, in the highest!

In 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, and 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.”

LORD’S PRAYER

With our Lord’s disciples in every time and place, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**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.

SHARING BREAD AND WINE

LAMB OF GOD *(Hymnal p. 135)*

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

PRAYER AND BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you
and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

God of steadfast love, at this table you gather your people into one body for the sake of the world. Send us in the power of your Spirit, that our lives bear witness to the love that has made us new in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

You are what God made you to be: created in Christ Jesus for good works,
chosen and holy and beloved, freed to serve your neighbor.

God bless you (+) that you may be a blessing, in the name of the holy and life-giving Trinity. **Amen.**

HYMN # 504: A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD

**A mighty fortress is our God, a sword and shield victorious;
he breaks the cruel oppressor's rod and wins salvation glorious.**

The old satanic foe has sworn to work us woe!

With craft and dreadful might he arms himself to fight. On earth he has no equal.

No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, rejected.

But now a champion comes to fight, whom God himself elected.

You ask who this may be? The Lord of hosts is he!

Christ Jesus, mighty Lord, God's only Son, adored. He holds the field victorious.

**God's Word forever shall abide, no thanks to foes, who fear it;
for God himself fights by our side with weapons of the Spirit.**

**Were they to take our house, goods, honor, child, or spouse,
though life be wrenched away, they cannot win the day. The kingdom's ours forever!**

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