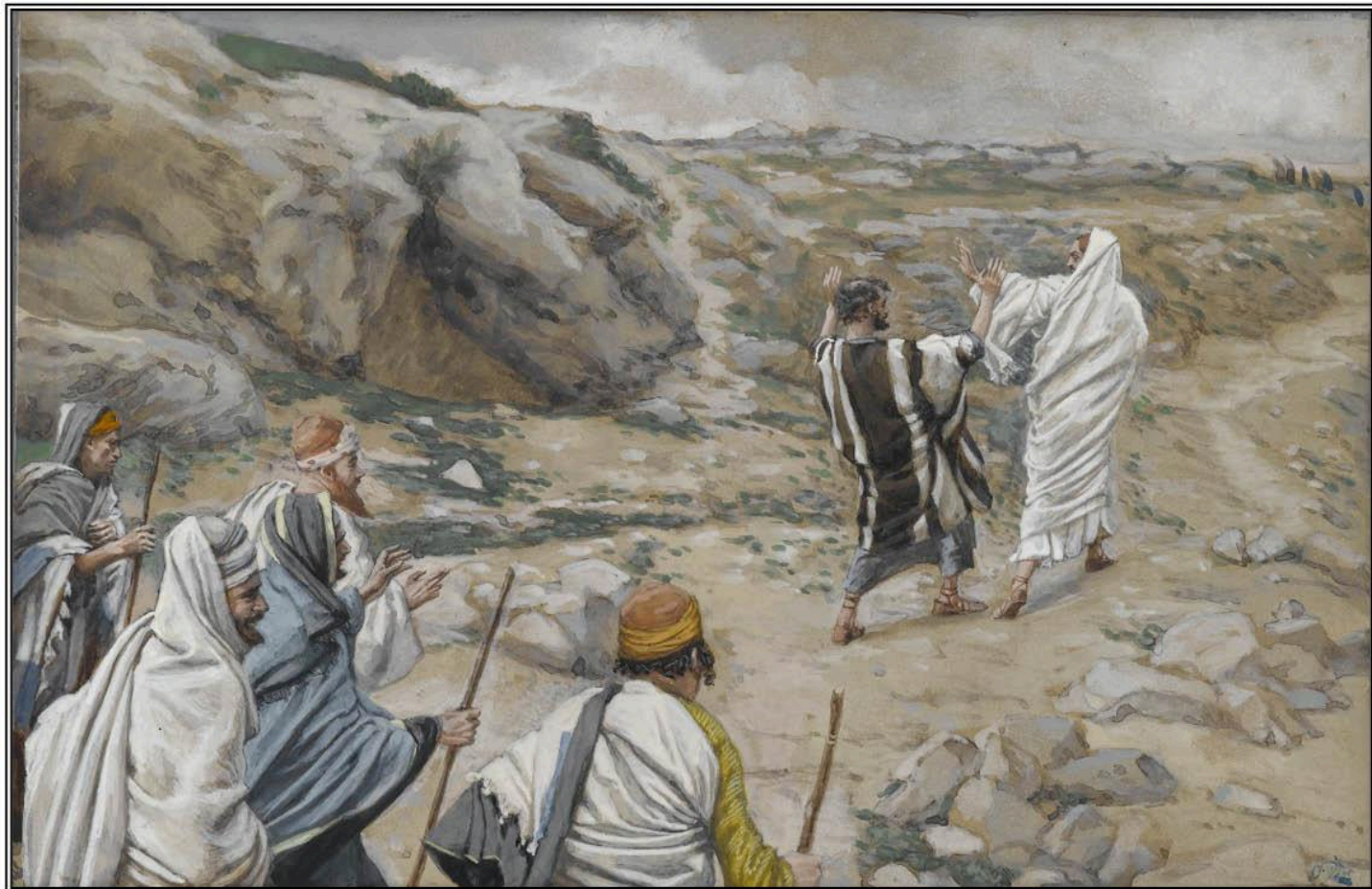


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✠ SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT ✠

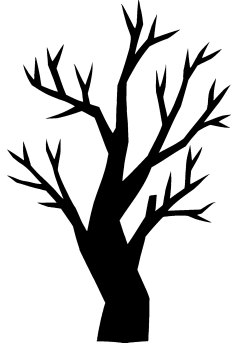
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The second covenant in this year's Lenten readings is the one made with Abraham and Sarah: God's promise to make them the ancestors of many, with whom God will remain in everlasting covenant. We receive this baptismal promise of resurrection life in faith. Sarah and Abraham receive new names as a sign of the covenant, and we too get new identities in baptism, as we put on Christ.



Get Thee, Behind Me Satan, James Tissot 1886-1896

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*Inspired by Christ, living and growing in faith,  
we are a loving and open community of worship, witness,  
and service in God's world.*  
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Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

Psalm 22

*Please stand as
you are able.*

✠ Gathering ✠

Following the call of God's Spirit, the community of faith gathers, welcoming one another and praying for God's mercy to fill the church and the world.

We invite you to use the prelude time to prepare your heart and mind for worship.

Noturno e Sereno

Kristina Rizzotto (b.1989)



You who fear the Lord, give praise! All you of Jacob's line, give glory.

Stand in awe of the Lord, all you offspring of Israel.

For the LORD does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;
neither is the LORD's face hidden from them;

but when they cry out, the Lord hears them.

From you comes my praise in the great assembly;

I will perform my vows in the sight of those who fear the Lord.

The poor shall eat and be satisfied,

Let those who seek the LORD give praise! May your hearts live forever!

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord;

all the families of nations shall bow before God.

For dominion belongs to the Lord, who rules over the nations.

Indeed, all who sleep in the earth shall bow down in worship.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit

As it was in the beginning is now and will be forever. Amen

Gathering Hymn

Vs 1 All,
vs 2 Women's voices,
vs 3 Men's voices,
& vs 4 All.



The God of Abraham Praise

ELW #831



1 The God of A - br'ham praise, who reigns en-throned a - bove;
 2 The God of A - br'ham praise! At your su - preme com - mand
 3 The God of A - br'ham praise! Your all - suf - fi - cient grace
 4 Your prom - ise you have sworn; I on your oath de - pend.



An - cient of ev - er - last - ing days, and God of love—
 from earth I rise and seek the joys at your right hand.
 shall guide me all my pil - grim days in all my ways.
 I shall, on ca - gle wings up - borne, to heav'n as - cend.



"I Am the One I Am"—by earth and heav'n con - fessed;
 I all on earth for - sake—its wis - dom, fame, and pow'r—
 You deign to call me friend; you call your - self my God!
 I shall be - hold your face; I shall your pow'r a - dore,



I bow and bless the sa - cred name for - ev - er blest.
 and you my on - ly por - tion make, my shield and tow'r.
 And you will save me to the end through Je - sus' blood.
 and sing the won - ders of your grace for - ev - er - more.

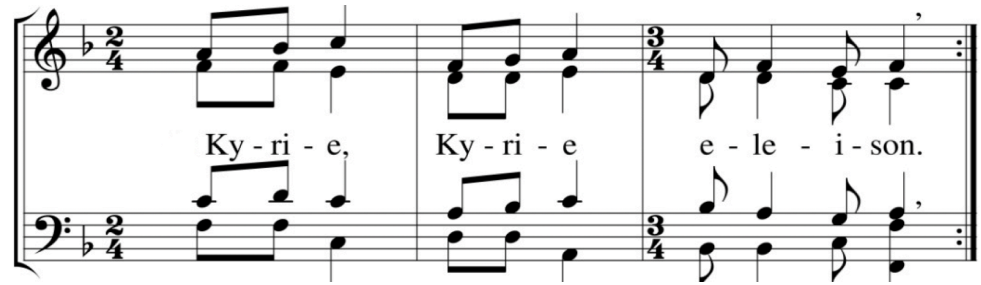
Apostolic Greeting

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

C: And also with you.

P: Throughout this season we embrace the discipline of Lent including self-examination and repentance. Therefore, let us come before God with open hearts.

Kyrie



P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Sing to the
music above.*

**Christe, christe eleison
Christe, christe eleison**

Confession

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

*Sing to the
music above.*

**Kyrie, kyrie eleison
Kyrie, kyrie eleison**

Words of Absolution

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

Prayer of the Day

O God, by the passion of your blessed Son **you made an instrument of shameful death to be for us the means of life. Grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ that we may gladly suffer shame and loss for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

⌘ Word ⌘

*The Word of God comes alive for the gathered community,
as God speaks to us in scriptures read, sung and preached.*



Children's Message
Please be seated.

Dismissal Song



Rise and Shine

English traditional

The Lord told Noah to build him an arky, arky. (repeat)
Build it out of (clap once) gopher barky, barky.
Children of the Lord.

The animals, the animals, they came in by twosies, twosies. (repeat)
Elephants and (clap once) kangaroosies, roosies.
Children of the Lord.

CHORUS:

So, rise and shine and give God the glory, glory! (repeat)
Rise and shine and (clap once) give God the glory, glory!
Children of the Lord.

It rained, and poured, for forty daysies, daysies. (repeat)
Nearly drove those (clap once) animals crazy, crazy.
Children of the Lord.

The sun came out and dried up the landy, landy (repeat)
Everything was (clap once) fine and dandy, dandy.
Children of the Lord.

CHORUS

Reading

*Genesis 17:1-7,
15-16*

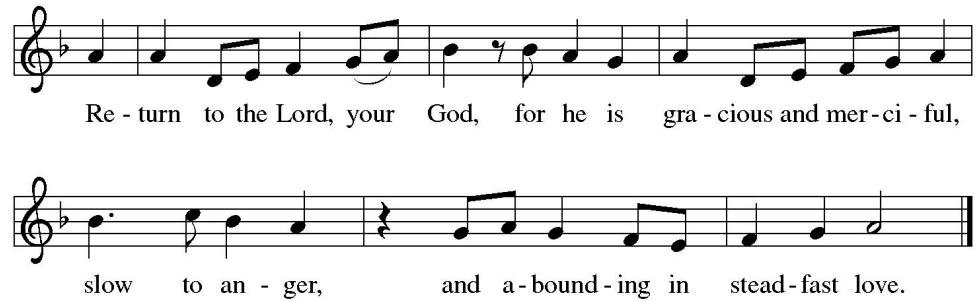
*As with Noah, God
makes an everlasting
covenant with Abraham
and Sarah. God
promises this old couple
that they will be the
ancestors of nations,
though they have no
child together. God will
miraculously bring forth
new life from Sarah's
womb. The name
changes emphasize the
firmness of God's
promise.*

R: ¹When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. ²And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." ³Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, ⁴"As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁵No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁶I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. ⁷I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you."
¹⁵God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. ¹⁶I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

R: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Lenten Verse
*Please stand as
you are able.*



Gospel
Mark 8:31-38
*After Peter confesses
his belief that Jesus is
the Messiah, Jesus tells
his disciples for the first
time what is to come.*
*Peter's response
indicates that he does
not yet understand the
way of the cross that
Jesus will travel.*



Sermon
Please be seated.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the eighth chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

³¹[Jesus] began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

³⁴He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

P: The Gospel of Our Lord.

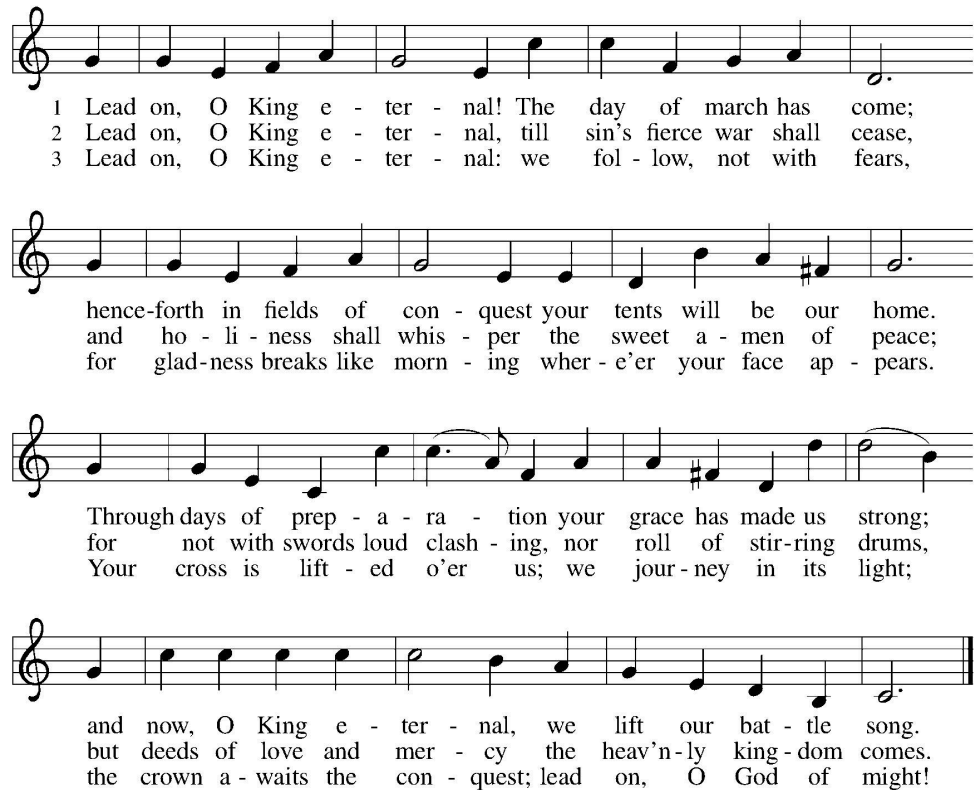
C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**



Following the sermon, we will take a moment of silence to reflect on today's gospel message.

Hymn of the Day
Please stand
as you are able.

Lead On, O King Eternal
ELW # 805



1 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal! The day of march has come;
2 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, till sin's fierce war shall cease,
3 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal: we fol - low, not with fears,

hence-forth in fields of con - quest your tents will be our home.
and ho - li - ness shall whis - per the sweet a - men of peace;
for glad-ness breaks like morn - ing wher - e'er your face ap - pears.

Through days of prep - a - ra - tion your grace has made us strong;
for not with swords loud clash - ing, nor roll of stir-ring drums,
Your cross is lift - ed o'er us; we jour - ney in its light;

and now, O King e - ter - nal, we lift our bat - tle song.
but deeds of love and mer - cy the heav'n - ly king - dom comes.
the crown a - waits the con - quest; lead on, O God of might!

Text: Ernest W. Shurtleff, 1862–1917
Music: LANCASHIRE, Henry T. Smart, 1813–1879

Prayers of the
Church

P: Trusting in God's promise to reconcile all things, let us pray for the church, the well-being of creation, and a world in need.

A brief silence.

A: We turn to you for meaning, holy God... Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Into your hands, God of abundant grace, we commend all of whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: Amen.

Greeting of Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

After the greeting, please share a word of peace with your neighbors.

Offering

Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church is supported through the generous gifts of time, talent and treasure of our friends and members. In order to fulfill our mission and ministry, we need to receive approximately \$7,900 in offerings each week.

We thank you for your support and partnership in the proclamation of the good news.

Offertory Anthem

We Are the Lord's

Karl J. P. Spitta/Londonderry Air, arr Roland E. Martin

We are the Lord's; His all sufficient merit,
Sealed on the cross, to us this grace accords.
We are the Lord's and all things shall inherit;
Whether we live or die, we are the Lord's.
We are the Lord's; then let us gladly tender
Our souls to Him in deeds, not empty words.
Let heart and tongue and life combine to render
No doubtful witness that we are the Lord's.
We are the Lord's; no darkness brooding o'er us
Can make us tremble while this star affords
A steady light along the path before us—
Faith's full assurance that we are the Lord's.
We are the Lord's; no evil can befall us
In the dread hour of life's fast loosening cords;
No pangs of death shall even then appall us.
Death we shall vanquish, for we are the Lord's.

Offertory

*Please stand as
you are able.*



Create in Me a Clean Heart

WOV #732

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir-it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres-ence, and
take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store un - to me the
joy of your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

Offertory Prayer

*Please stand as
you are able.*

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



✠ Meal ✠

We lift our hearts with praise and thanksgiving as the table is set, and we receive the bread and wine—the humble meal through which we are fed by the presence of Jesus the Christ and united as the body of Christ in the world.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

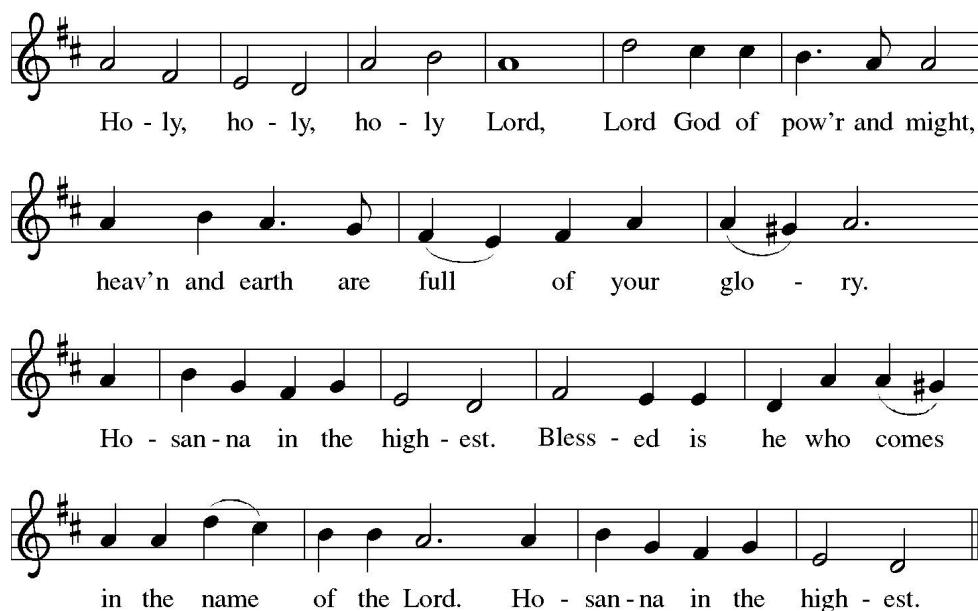
P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn...



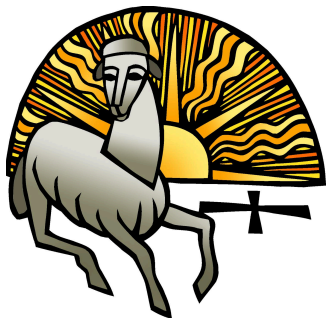
Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

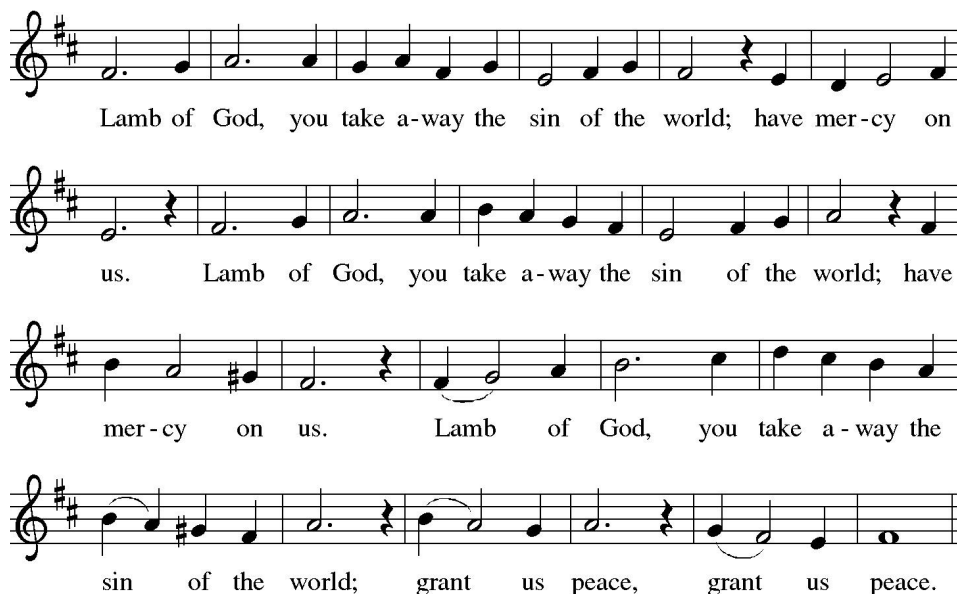
C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Invitation to
Communion
Please be seated.

Lamb of God



P: Come to me all who are tired and heavy laden, and I will give you rest.
The table has been prepared. All are welcome.



Distribution

Communion will begin in the front of the church, nearest where the pastor and assisting minister will distribute the bread and wine. Please take either a glass of red wine or white grape juice from the full tray and place your emptied glass into the extra tray which is in front of the first pew.

Your offerings will also be received as the usher directs you toward the front of the church for communion.

Distribution Music

Adagio Cantabile from the Trio in C major, Op. 87

Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827)

Post-Communion

Blessing
*Please stand as
you are able.*

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

C: Amen.

Post-Communion

Prayer

A: 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.

C: Amen.

Closing Hymn



✠ Sending ✠

*We receive the blessing of God and leave in peace,
Sent out to live the way of Jesus for the sake of the world God loves.*

Print Thine Image Pure and Holy

Print thine im - age pure and ho - ly On my heart, O
So that noth - ing high or low - ly Thy blest like - ness

Lord of Grace;
can ef - face. Let the clear in - scrip - tion be:

Je - sus, cru - ci - fied for me, And the Lord of all cre - a -

tion, Be my ref - uge and sal - va - tion. A - men.

*Thomas Hansen Kingo, 1634-1703
Tr. Jens Christian Aaberg, 1877-*

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.
C: Amen.

Announcements



Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Allegro molto scherzo from the Trio in C major, Op. 87

Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827)

You are free to leave during the Postlude or remain to enjoy the offering of music & praise.

WELCOME

*We thank you for celebrating the love of Jesus Christ with us this week, and we invite you back again—
for prayer and worship. We will continue to have Sunday services online.*

*We hope the message of God's grace will guide and strengthen you as you grow
in love and faith in your daily life.*

YOUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY Pastor.....Rev. Dr. Arden D. Haug
Organist.....Dr. Kristina Rizzotto
Guest Cellists.....Kathe Jarka, Laura Sewell
& Tom Rosenberg
Worship Assistant.....Marty Carlson
Communion Assistant.....John Olson
Altar Servers.....Cathy Carlson & Kathy Hering
Reader.....Mary Jubenville
Usher.....Mike Huttner
Worship Tech Assistant.....Jim Olson
Coffee Hosts.....Anita Duder, Mary Flynn
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Office Manager & Children's Ministry Director.....Diane LaMere
Worship Technical Director.....Joseph LaMere
Design & Communication Director.....Michelle McCreery
Custodian.....Vitali Haug
Caretakers.....Molly Dengler & Anthony Ramirez

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, FEB 25	9:30 AM	<i>Worship with Holy Communion...</i>	Sanctuary
		<i>Sunday School.....</i>	Sunday School Rooms
	10:30 AM	<i>Coffee Hour.....</i>	Fellowship Hall
	2:00 PM	<i>Music for Food: Winter Celebration...</i>	Sanctuary/Fellowship Hall
MONDAY, FEB 26	11:00 AM	<i>Norwegian Glee Club.....</i>	Library
	4:30 PM	<i>Confirmation.....</i>	Zoom
	7:00 PM	<i>AA.....</i>	Fellowship Hall
	7:00 PM	<i>Prayer Ministry.....</i>	Zoom
TUESDAY, FEB 27	7:00 PM	<i>Men's AA.....</i>	Fellowship Hall
	7:00 PM	<i>AA/Recovery & Spirituality.....</i>	Christy Room
WEDNESDAY, FEB 28	10:00 AM	<i>Bible Study.....</i>	Christy Room/Zoom
	11:15 AM	<i>Midday Lenten Devotion.....</i>	Library
	12:00 PM	<i>Staff Meeting.....</i>	Christy Room/Zoom
	7:00 PM	<i>Holden Evening Prayer.....</i>	Library
	7:45 PM	<i>Choir Rehearsal.....</i>	Library
THURSDAY, FEB 29	12:00 PM	<i>Al Anon.....</i>	Fellowship Hall
SATURDAY, MAR 2	9:30 AM	<i>Priscilla Circle.....</i>	Christy Room
SUNDAY, MAR 3	9:30 AM	<i>Worship with Holy Communion...</i>	Sanctuary
		<i>Sunday School.....</i>	Sunday School Rooms
	10:30 AM	<i>Coffee Hour.....</i>	Fellowship Hall

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SCAN TO GIVE



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayer List

Please keep the following friends & members of our community of faith in your prayers of thanksgiving or for comfort, peace, and healing:



Kathy Dahl, daughter of Phyllis Dahl; **Graham Rawle**, friend of Mark Duff & Michelle McCreery; **Matthew Moen**; **Anna Lena Stenberg Skold**; **Trygve Svard**; **Sam Pederson**, nephew of Jennifer Cook; **Beth Addington & Elizabeth Muench**, friends of the congregation; **Natalie Mozey**, daughter of Alan & Mary Poulsen; **Bunny & David Anderson**, sister & brother-in-law of John Bergford; **David Cook**, brother of Jenny Cook; **Kathy Sawyer**, niece of Philip Friedlund, **Joey Juras & Fitz Loula**, friends of the Gruys family; **Lyle Kuehn**, brother-in-law of Carol Kuehn, **Amanda Frahm**, sister-in-law of John & Alyson Frahm; **Donna Shroyer**, cousin of Linda Nelson; **Avey Egsgaard**, friend of Jana & Michael Kavoukjian; **Vonnie Norum**, mother of Liz Brown; **Marion Eddebuettel**, grandmother of Nico & Lauren Rondestvedt Eddebuettel; **David Beebe**, brother-in-law of Suzanne Pepin; **Stephanie Forsyth & Melissa Rothe**, daughters of Don & Eileen Anderson; **Henry Arent**; **Timothy Moran**, friend of Michelle McCreery; **JoAnne Reisberg**, mother of Bernie Reisberg; **Eleanor Ayers**, friend of Bill and Kathy Fredell; **Terry Carlstrom**, friend of Don and Eileen Anderson; **Brian Lundquist**, father of Sean Lundquist; and infant son **Rowan James Mouser**, the newborn great grandson of Ellie Holmquist.

Meditation

LOTI is available during office hours for a time of quiet meditation. You can use the sanctuary to spend time in prayer, light a candle, listen to recorded sacred music, and/or use a guided meditation tool. Please call the church office to reserve a time.

Loved Ones In The Military

Please keep all the members & families of the military in your prayers of thanksgiving and protection.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Eileen Anderson 2/25 Timothy Peterson 2/25
Rick Gripentrog 2/26 Tom Madson 2/27
Mike Huttner 2/27 Edward Olson 2/27
Ellie Holmquist 2/28

Kid Worship Materials

Kid worship materials are available in the Narthex (back of Sanctuary). Crayon packets and a variety of coloring pages and activity sheets are available for your children to enjoy during worship.

Staffed Nursery in the Christy Room

Our Nursery is staffed today for our littlest ones in the Congregation to use. Ushers can help you with directions to the Christy Room or simply follow the signs provided in the back of the Sanctuary.

Visiting Sunday School Age Children

Children ages 3 through 6th Grade are welcome to visit Sunday School. We do ask that a parent or guardian accompany your child to Sunday School to get them checked in and settled before returning to worship.

Our Saviour's Housing Meals

Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church provides a monthly meal for 40, by donation to the shelter, which orders and serves the meal.

Cost per meal is \$250.

Thanks to Rick Gripentrog for March.

Member Directory ~ Photographs Due Today

To update your photo in our member directory, please send it to michelle.mccreery@loti.org or she can photograph you after worship. We will publish the new directory later this month.

Music for Food: Winter Celebration Isles Ensemble Benefit Concert

Today, 2:00 PM

Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church is partnering with Isles Ensemble, & Music for Food to host a benefit concert for CES ~ Community Emergency Services. Music for Food is a national organization which recently established a chapter in the Twin Cities. It is driven by the spirit of volunteerism, and it could not exist without the support of its musicians and its audience.

There are three components to its mission:

- 1) Musicians give performances and choose a local shelf to support.
- 2) Audience members donate
- 3) the designated food shelf receives 100% of the contributions.

Free will donation ~ visit

<https://cesmn.org/donation-form/> or at the door.

OR

SCAN TO DONATE



LOTI Congregation will host a post-concert reception.

Priscilla Circle

Saturday, March 2nd

9:30 AM

Christy Room

Join us for a time of camaraderie!
No knitting skills required.

All tickets & donations support
CES COMMUNITY EMERGENCY SERVICE

Music for Food

Winter Celebration

Isles Ensemble
Guest Cellist, Käthe Jarka

Sunday, February 25, 2pm
Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church
2020 W Lake of the Isles Pkwy, Minneapolis

Beethoven Trio for Three Cellos
Mozart Piano Trio "Kegelstatt"
Schumann Piano Quartet, Op. 47

Emily Switzer, Natalia Moiseeva, violin
Kenneth Freed, viola, Ivan Konev, piano
Tom Rosenberg, Käthe Jarka, Laura Sewell, cello

Easter Flowers ~ Orders Due

Sunday, March 3rd

An order form is in your bulletin today to order flowers for Easter. You may order online using the QR code or go to myvanco.com

Easter Lilies – \$9.25

Tulips (yellow, red, or purple) - \$8.75

Mums (white, yellow or purple) - \$9.25

Hydrangeas (pink) – \$16.25

SCAN TO ORDER



Isles Ensemble Concert

Inspirado en España

Sunday, March 10

2:00 PM

Join us in March for a musical journey to Spain and the Spanish Diaspora. Experience the lush but rarely heard string quartet of Venezuelan Romantic-Era composer Teresa Carreno, as well as a duo for cello and piano by Brazilian composer Heitor Villa-Lobos. Enjoy Spanish composer Joaquin Turina's piano trio which blends French Impressionism with Andalusian folk elements. Finally, travel with us first class to Argentina with a tango by Astor Piazzola as well as a dynamic and rhythmic string quartet by Alberto Ginastera.

Isles Musicians ~

Emily Switzer, violin; Kenneth Freed, viola;

Tom Rosenberg, cello; Laura Sewell, cello

Guest Musicians ~

Hanna Landrum, violin; Nicola Melville, piano

Tickets are available on [eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com)

islesensemble.org

Growlers & Theology

Thursday, March 14th

7:00 PM

Parsonage

Pastor Haug leads this monthly gathering of bible study and adult beverages, in the tradition of Martin Luther. pastor@loti.org



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