LAKE OF THE ISLES LUTHERAN CHURCH

₩ THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT ₩

March 3, 2024

The third covenant in this year's Lenten readings is the central one of Israel's history: the gift of the law to those God freed from slavery. When Jesus throws the merchants out of the temple, he is defending the worship of God alone and rejecting the ways commerce and profit-making can become our gods. The Ten Commandments are essential to our baptismal call: centered first in God's liberating love, we strive to live out justice and mercy in our communities and the world.



Jesus Casting Out the Money Changers at the Temple, Carl Heinrich Bloch, c1860

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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# ■ 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.

Prelude

Cloches au soleil (Bells in the sun)

Blanche Selva (1884-1942)

Welcome

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Call to Worship

Psalm 19

Please stand as

you are able.

The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky proclaims its maker's handiwork.

One day tells its tale to another, and one night imparts knowledge to another.

Although they have no words or language, and their voices are not heard,

their sound has gone out into all lands, and their message to the ends of the world, where God has pitched a tent or the sun.

it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its course.

It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; nothing is hidden from its burning heat.

The teaching of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the simple.

The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart; the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.

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

# Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways ELW # 772



- 1 Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways to keep his stat-utes still!
- 2 Or der my foot-steps by your word and make my heart sin cere;
- 3 As sist my soul, too apt to stray, a strict er watch to keep;
- 4 Make me to walk in your com-mands, 'tis a de-light-ful road;



Oh, that my God would grant me grace to know and do his will! let sin have no do - min-ion, Lord, but keep my con-science clear. and should I e'er for - get your way, re - store your wan-d'ring sheep. nor let my head or heart or hands of - fend a - gainst my God.

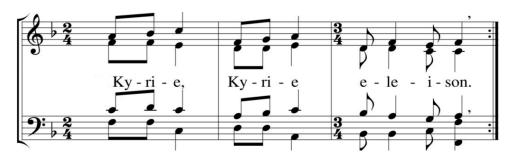
Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt. Music: EVAN, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

# **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

Holy God, through your Son you have called us to live faithfully and act courageously. Keep us steadfast in your covenant of grace, and teach us the wisdom that comes only through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

# Children's Message Please be seated.

# Dismissal Song Verses 1 & 4



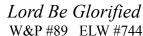
## Reading

Exodus 20:1-17
After escaping from
slavery, the Israelites
come to Mount Sinai,
where God teaches them
how to live in community.
The Ten Commandments
proclaim that God alone
is worthy of worship.
Flowing from God, the
life of the community
flourishes when based on
honesty, trust, fidelity, and
respect for life, family,
and property.

## ₩ Word ₩

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

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#### R: ¹God spoke all these words:

<sup>2</sup>I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; <sup>3</sup>you shall have no other gods before me.

<sup>4</sup>You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. <sup>5</sup>You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, <sup>6</sup>but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

<sup>7</sup>You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

<sup>8</sup>Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. <sup>9</sup>Six days you shall labor and do all your work. <sup>10</sup>But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. <sup>11</sup>For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

<sup>12</sup>Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

<sup>13</sup>You shall not murder.

<sup>14</sup>You shall not commit adultery.

<sup>15</sup>You shall not steal.

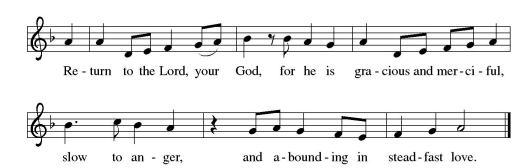
<sup>16</sup>You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

<sup>17</sup>You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

R: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Lenten Verse *Please stand as* you are able.





Gospel *John 2:13-22* 

Jesus attacks the commercialization of religion by driving merchants out of the temple. When challenged, he responds mysteriously, with the first prediction of his own death and resurrection. In the midst of a seemingly stable religious center, Jesus suggests that the center itself has changed.

Sermon *Please be seated.* 

P: The Holy Gospel according to St John, the second chapter.

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

<sup>13</sup>The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup>In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. <sup>15</sup>Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. <sup>16</sup>He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" <sup>17</sup>His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." <sup>18</sup>The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" <sup>19</sup>Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." <sup>20</sup>The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" <sup>21</sup>But he was speaking of the temple of his body. <sup>22</sup>After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

P: The Gospel of Our Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

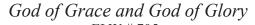
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Following the sermon, we will take a moment of silence to reflect on today's gospel message.

## Hymn of the Day

Please stand as you are able. Vs 1 All voices, vs 2, Women's voices, vs 3 Men's voices, & vs 4 All voices.







Text: Harry E. Fosdick, 1878–1969 Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873–1932

# 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: You alone are God. We thank you for the gift of sabbath rest... 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

Nearer, My God, To Thee
Sarah F. Adams/Lowell Mason; arr. Georgiann Toole

Nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to thee! E'en though it be a cross that raiseth me, still all my song shall be, nearer, my God, to thee!

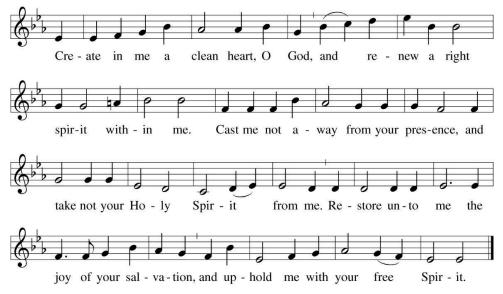
Though like the wanderer, the sun gone down, darkness be over me, my rest a stone; yet in my dreams I'd be nearer, my God, to thee!

Now on joyful wing cleaving the sky, sun, moon, and stars forgot, upward I fly, still all my song shall be, nearer, my God, to thee!

Offertory *Please stand as* you are able.



Create in Me a Clean Heart WOV #732



Text: Psalm 51:10-12

Music: FRANCKE, J.A. Freylinghausen, 1670–1739

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.

## # 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.

**Great Thanksgiving** 

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

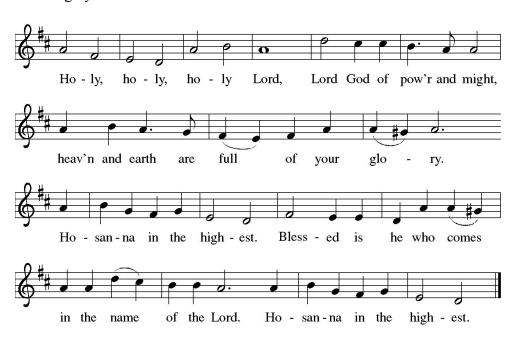
C: We lift them to the Lord.

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

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Lord's Prayer

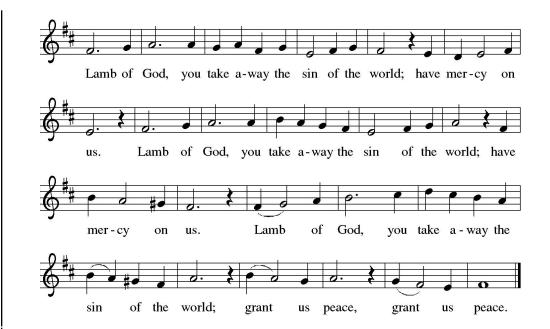
C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is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

Invitation to Communion *Please be seated.* 

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.

## Lamb of God





#### 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

Cloches dans la brume (Bells in the mist)

Blanche Selva (1884-1942)

# 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.

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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.

Closing Hymn





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 Caprice sur les Grands Jeux from Suite du Deuxième Ton

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

Louis-Nicolas Clérambault (1676-1749)

## **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           |
|                            | Worship Assistant                             | Kathy Hering                    |
|                            | Communion Assistant                           | Marty Carlson                   |
|                            | Altar Servers                                 | Mary Flynn & Linda Nelson       |
|                            | Reader                                        | David Ackerman                  |
|                            | Usher                                         | Linda Nelson                    |
|                            | Coffee Hosts.                                 | Ryne & Jennie Nelson            |
|                            | Worship Tech Assistant                        | Jim Olson                       |
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|                            | Treasurer                                     | Ross Bartels                    |
|                            | Secretary                                     | Charlie O'Brien                 |
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|                            | Worship Technical Director                    | Joseph LaMere                   |
|                            | Design & Communication Director               | Michelle McCreery               |
|                            | Custodian.                                    | Vitali Haug                     |
|                            | Caretakers                                    | Molly Dengler & Anthony Ramirez |

#### SCAN TO GIVE



# **CALENDAR**

| Sunday, Mar 3    | 9:30 am  | Worship with Holy Communion Sunday School | -                         |
|------------------|----------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
|                  | 10:30 am | Coffee Hour                               | Fellowship Hall           |
| Monday, Mar 4    | 11:00 am | Norwegian Glee Club                       | Library                   |
|                  | 4:30 pm  | Confirmation                              | Zoom                      |
|                  | 7:00 pm  | AA                                        | Fellowship Hall           |
|                  | 7:00 pm  | Prayer Ministry                           | Zoom                      |
| Tuesday, Mar 5   | 7:00 pm  | Men's AA                                  | Fellowship Hall           |
|                  | 7:00 pm  | AA/Recovery & Spirituality                | Christy Room              |
| Wednesday, Mar 6 | 10:00 AM | Bible Study                               | Christy Room/Zoom         |
|                  | 11:15 AM | Midday Lenten Devotion                    | Library                   |
|                  | 12:00 pm | Staff Meeting                             | Christy Room/Zoom         |
|                  | 7:00 pm  | Lenten Vespers                            | Library                   |
|                  | 7:45 pm  | Choir Rehearsal                           | Library                   |
| Thursday, Mar 7  | 12:00 pm | Al Anon                                   | Fellowship Hall           |
|                  | 6:30 pm  | Punschklubben                             | Fellowship Hall           |
|                  | 7:00 pm  | Women's Bible Study                       | Christy Room              |
|                  | 7:00 pm  | Men's AA                                  | Large Group Room          |
| Sunday, Mar 10   | 9:30 am  | Worship with Holy Communion               | Sanctuary                 |
|                  |          | Sunday School                             | Sunday School Rooms       |
|                  | 10:30 am | Coffee Hour                               | Fellowship Hall           |
|                  | 2:00 pm  | Isles Ensemble Concert                    | Sanctuary/Fellowship Hall |
|                  |          |                                           |                           |

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## **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 Eddelbuettel, grandmother of Nico & Lauren Rondestvedt Eddelbuettel; David Beebe, brother-in-law of Suzanne Pepin; Stephanie Forsyth & Melissa Rothe, daughters of Don & Eileen Anderson; 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 the family of Rowan James Mouser, 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!

Kristi Brownson 3/4 Beryl Waldeland 3/4
Erik Larson 3/6 Lee Wilson 3/9
Deb Gilroy 3/9

# 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.

# Daylight Savings Time Change Sunday, March 10th 2:00 AM

Minnesota will begin daylight saving time 2024. Remember to set your clocks ahead one hour!

# Easter Flowers Orders Due

## **Today**

An order form is in your bulletin today to order flowers for Easter. You may order online using the QR code or go to <a href="may.red">myvanco.com</a>

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

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

## Women's Book Club

Friday, March 22nd 5:00 PM

# Home of Deb Gilroy

This month's selection is *Among the Gods*, by *Lynn Austin*. Join us! Bring a snack to share if you like...

# HOLY WEEK 2024

Palm Sunday Worship March 24th 9:30 AM

Sanctuary

Pancake Breakfast 10:40 AM Fellowship Hall

Easter Egg Hunt

Parsonage

Maundy Thursday Seder

March 28th 6:00 – 7:30 PM Fellowship Hall

Meal for First Communion families & all Congregation members

Good Friday

March 29th 3:00 PM

Sanctuary

with Hymnus Angelicus

Easter Vigil

March 30th 8:00 PM

Cloister

**Easter Morning Worship** 

March 31st 9:30 & 11:00 AM

Sanctuary





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