



**REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**MARCH 6, 2022**  
**THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**  
**IN-PERSON WORSHIP, FACEBOOK LIVE,**  
**YOUTUBE, AND PARKING LOT WORSHIP –**  
**RADIO FM 101.7**

**Redeemer Lutheran Church  
March 6, 2022  
The First Sunday of Lent  
In-Person Worship, Facebook Live, YouTube,  
and Parking Lot Worship – Radio FM 101.7  
Pastor Jack Way  
Worship Leader: Geri Gorman  
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**Call To Worship**

**L: Come, all who need rest.**

**C: Come, all who need restoration.**

**L: You are in the house of one who weeps,**

**C: For Jesus cares deeply about all he loves.**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

**L: We confess our sins before God and one another.**

**Pause for silence and reflection.**

**L: Merciful God,**

**C: These 40 days we reflect on how our sin bleeds into the world, leaving a mark that we cannot remove. Forgive all we have done and failed to do, and cleanse us from the stain of sin.**

**L: Our God is gracious and forgiving. God does not desire that we wallow in the brokenness, but instead cleanses us and makes us new. Receive the entire forgiveness of all your sin, and walk in newness of life. For the sake of Jesus Christ we pray.       **Amen****

## ***Gathering Hymn – We Come to You for Healing, Lord - #617***

1. We come to you for healing, Lord,  
of body, mind, and soul,  
and pray that by your spirit's touch  
we may again be whole.
2. As once you walked through ancient streets  
and reached toward those in pain,  
come, risen Christ, among us still  
with pow'r to heal again.
3. You touch us through physicians' skills,  
through nurses' gifts of care,  
and through the love of faithful friends  
who lift our lives in prayer.
4. When nights are long with wakefulness,  
through days when strength runs low,  
grant us your gift of patience, Lord,  
your calming peace to know.
5. We come to you, O loving Lord,  
in our distress and pain,  
in trust that through our nights and days  
your grace will heal, sustain.

Text: Herman G. Stuempfle Jr., b. 1923  
Music: Hugh Wilson, 17641824

### **Greeting**

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

**C: And also with you.**

### **Prayer of the Day**

L: Let us pray. (Pause)

L: God who weeps,

**C: As Jesus wept for the loss of his friend and the grief of the family, we know you weep  
when we suffer. Remind us of your presence and your goodness during times of sorrow  
and joy. Amen.**

## ***Special Music – Jesus Is A Rock in a Weary Land # 333***

### ***Refrain***

Jesus is a rock in a weary land,  
a weary land, a weary land;  
my Jesus is a rock in a weary land,  
a shelter in a time of storm.

- 1 No one can do like Jesus,  
not a mumbling word he said;  
he went walking down to Lazarus' grave,  
and he raised him from the dead. ***Refrain***
- 2 When Jesus was on earth,  
the flesh was very weak;  
he took a towel and girded himself  
and he washed his disciples' feet. ***Refrain***
- 3 Yonder comes my Savior,  
him whom I love so well;  
he has the palm of victory  
and the keys of death and hell. ***Refrain***

Text: African American spiritual

## **God's Word Enlivens Us**

### **John 11:1-44**

#### **C: Glory to You, O Lord.**

**Narrator:** Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus,

**Martha:** "Lord, he whom you love is ill."

**Narrator:** But when Jesus heard it, he said,

**Jesus:** "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it."

**Narrator:** Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. Then after this he said to the disciples,

**Jesus:** “Let us go to Judea again.”

**Narrator:** The disciples said to him,

**Disciples (*Congregation*):** “Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?”

**Narrator:** Jesus answered,

**Jesus:** “Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them.”

**Narrator:** After saying this, he told them,

**Jesus:** “Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him.”

**Narrator:** The disciples said to him,

**Disciples:** “Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right.”

**Narrator:** Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly,

**Jesus:** “Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him.”

**Narrator:** Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples,

**Thomas:** “Let us also go, that we may die with him.”

**Narrator:** When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus,

**Martha:** “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.”

**Narrator:** Jesus said to her,

**Jesus:** “Your brother will rise again.”

**Narrator:** Martha said to him,

**Martha:** “I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.”

**Narrator:** Jesus said to her,

**Jesus:** "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?"

**Narrator:** She said to him,

**Martha:** "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

**Narrator:** When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately,

**Martha:** "The Teacher is here and is calling for you."

**Narrator:** And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him,

**Mary:** "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died."

**Narrator:** When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said,

**Jesus:** "Where have you laid him?"

**Narrator:** They said to him,

**Mary:** "Lord, come and see."

**Narrator:** Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said,

**Jews:** "See how he loved him!"

**Narrator:** So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said,

**Jesus:** "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me."

**Narrator:** When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice,

**Jesus:** "Lazarus, come out!"

**Narrator:** The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them,

**Jesus:** Unbind him, and let him go."

L: Word of God. Word of Life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

***Hymn of the Day – Breathe on Me, Breath of God - #488 (LBW)***

1. Breathe on me, breath of God; fill me with life anew,  
that I may love all that you love, and do what you would do.
2. Breathe on me, breath of God, until my heart is pure,  
until with you I will one will, to do and to endure.
3. Breathe on me, breath of God; so shall I never die,  
but live with you the perfect life, of your eternity.

Text: Edwin Hatch, 1835-1889  
Tune: Aaron Williams, 1731-1776

## Apostle's Creed

**L: Let us 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. Amen.**

## Prayers of Joys and Concerns

L: We pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

A brief silence.



L: Lord of Life,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

### **Sharing of the Peace**

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

### **Offertory Prayer**

L: Let us pray,

**C: Although we often fall short, today we strive to do our best, bringing our first fruits as offering. Hold us to the highest standard and teach us to give generously. Use our gifts to further your mission in the world, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

### **God's Spirit Sends Us**

**Benediction:**

L: God is moved by our joy and our sorrow. We have been nourished by God's Word for all people. By God's blessing we go now cleansed from sin to welcome others into the community of faith.

**C: Amen**

***Sending Hymn – Lord, I Lift Your Name on High - #857***

**(Sing Through Three Times)**

Lord, I lift your name on high;  
Lord, I love to sing your praises.  
I'm so glad you're in my life,  
I'm so glad you came to save us.  
You came from heaven to earth  
To show the way,  
From the earth to the cross,  
My debt to pay,  
From the cross to the grave,  
From the grave to the sky;  
Lord, I lift your name on high.



## **The Lord's Prayer**

L: Let us pray together the words our Savior taught us.

### **Dismissal**

L: Lord, now you let your servants go in peace. Your Word has been fulfilled.

### **C: Thanks be to God.**

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## **Prayers**

The family of Clifford Johnson, who passed away on February 17 and whose service was held yesterday at Grasse Funeral Home; Dorothy Stark, Darlene Cutsforth's mother; and Tari Bergquist.

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Knute Nelson, Susan Brusveen's brother, who has prostate cancer; Nancy and Cindy Drehmel's cousin, Jim, who is recuperating at home; Max Pribbenow and Family; Sue Pulver; Brenda Vogeler (Harry Thompson's daughter); Beth Welter, Julie Thompson's niece; Vernon Wavra; Barb and Alfred Nelson; Sally Hohlstein; Tim Laper, Bev Stankiewicz's son; Scott Thompson; Marie Nobbs; Ron Huebner; Ryan & Kindra Bender; Virginia Olson; Betty Laper; Ken Wescott; Sarah Thompson; Heidi Bimrose; Raymond Endres; and Phyllis Selle.

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**Pause for silence and reflection.**

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L: Our God is gracious and forgiving. God does not desire that we wallow in the brokenness, but instead cleanses us and makes us new. Receive the entire forgiveness of all your sin, and walk in newness of life. For the sake of Jesus Christ, we pray. **Amen**

***Gathering Hymn – Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service - #712***

- 1 Lord, whose love in humble service  
bore the weight of human need,  
who upon the cross, forsaken,  
worked your mercy's perfect deed:  
we, your servants, bring the worship  
not of voice alone, but heart;  
consecrating to your purpose  
ev'ry gift which you impart.
- 2 Still your children wander homeless;  
still the hungry cry for bread;  
still the captives long for freedom;  
still in grief we mourn our dead.  
As you, Lord, in deep compassion  
healed the sick and freed the soul,  
by your Spirit send your power  
to our world to make it whole.
- 3 As we worship, grant us vision,  
till your love's revealing light  
in its height and depth and greatness  
dawns upon our quickened sight,  
making known the needs and burdens  
your compassion bids us bear,  
stirring us to ardent service,  
your abundant life to share.
- 4 Called by worship to your service,  
forth in your dear name we go,  
to the child, the youth, the aged,  
love in living deeds to show;  
hope and health, good will and comfort,  
counsel, aid and peace we give,  
that your servants, Lord, in freedom  
may your mercy know and live.

Text: Albert F. Bayly, 1901-1984

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**C: And also with you.**

### **Prayer of the Day**

L: Let us pray. (Pause)

L: God of all who serve,

**C: When Jesus knelt to wash the feet of his friends, he taught us all a new way of being. Teach us to humble ourselves so that serving is our new normal. Amen.**

### **God's Word Enlivens Us**

**John 13:1-18**

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

**Narrator:** Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. He came to Simon Peter, who said to him,

**Peter:** "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?"

**Narrator:** Jesus answered,

**Jesus:** "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand."

**Narrator:** Peter said to him,

**Peter:** "You will never wash my feet."

**Narrator:** Jesus answered,

**Jesus:** "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me."

**Narrator:** Simon Peter said to him,

**Peter:** "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!"

**Narrator:** Jesus said to him,

**Jesus:** "One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you."

**Narrator:** For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean." After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them,

**Jesus:** "Do you know what I have done to you? You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them.

L: Word of God. Word of Life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### **Message – Kristi Fehrman and Vinni**

### ***Hymn of the Day – O Master, Let Me Walk With You - #818***

- 1 O Master, let me walk with you  
in lowly paths of service true;  
tell me your secret; help me bear  
the strain of toil, the fret of care.
- 2 Help me the slow of heart to move  
by some clear, winning word of love;  
teach me the wayward feet to stay,  
and guide them in the homeward way.
- 3 Teach me your patience; share with me  
a closer, dearer company,  
in work that keeps faith sweet and strong,  
in trust that triumphs over wrong,
- 4 In hope that sends a shining ray  
far down the future's broad'ning way,  
in peace that only you can give;  
with you, O Master, let me live.

Text: Washington Gladden, 1836-1918, alt.



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born of the virgin Mary,  
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he descended to the dead.\*  
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he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
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**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
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the resurrection of the body,  
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L: We pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

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L: Eternal servant leader,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

### **Sharing of the Peace**

L: The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

### **Offertory Prayer**

L: Let us pray.

**C: You call us to serve, God, and so we humble ourselves so that others might be lifted up. The gifts we offer here today are expressions of the servanthood to which you have called us. Receive them with the spirit that give them, for the greater good of all. For the sake of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.**

### **God's Spirit Sends Us**

#### **Benediction:**

L: We have received the blessings of God's grace and mercy, we remember Jesus gave everything by humbling himself as the perfect model of servanthood for all. We are blessed to be blessings for others. We do so in Jesus' name.

**C: Amen**

### ***Sending Hymn – Jesus, Priceless Treasure - #775***

- 1 Jesus, priceless treasure,  
source of purest pleasure,  
truest friend to me:  
ah, how long I've panted,  
and my heart has fainted,  
thirsting, Lord, for thee!  
Thine I am, O spotless Lamb;  
nothing in this world can hide thee,  
naught I ask beside thee.
- 2 In thine arm I rest me;  
foes who would molest me  
cannot reach me here.  
Though the earth be shaking,  
every heart be quaking,  
Jesus calms my fear.  
Lightnings flash and thunders crash;  
yet, though sin and hell assail me,  
Jesus will not fail me.

- 3 Hence, all fears and sadness,  
for the Lord of gladness,  
Jesus, enters in.  
God, who dearly loves us,  
from all trial saves us,  
gives sweet peace within.  
I have borne this worldly scorn;  
still in thee lies purest pleasure:  
Jesus, priceless treasure!

Text: Johann Franck, 1618-1677; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-1878, alt.

## **The Lord's Prayer**

L: Let us pray together the words our Savior taught us.

## **Dismissal**

L: Jesus opens our eyes to a new way of being disciples. He invites us to take the role of the person possessing less and we do so for the sake of the other in need.

**C: We go now to serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.**

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## **FUNDS FOR THE UKRAINE**

Anyone interested in supporting people in the Ukraine are invited to make monetary donations through Redeemer.

You must write your check out to Redeemer, but you must note in the memo line that the money is designated for the Ukraine.

Your donation will be recorded on your offering record.

Our Redeemer Bookkeeper, Beth, will then write a check to the ELCA Lutheran Disaster Response. 100% of the offering goes to the Ukraine. There are no administration or other fees.

***Please make sure your donation is received at Redeemer by March 27<sup>th</sup>.***

Thank You!

## **LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERVICES**

At council we received a communication from LSS (Lutheran Social Services) informing us this year is their 140<sup>th</sup> year of existence. In honor of that anniversary, the council approved a gift in honor of LSS 140<sup>th</sup> birthday. You are welcome to donate to their gift through your Redeemer offering. ***Just list on your check or your offering envelope that you want your “gift amount” to go to LSS.*** LSS is hugely involved in social services across our nation, including with adoptions, refugees, premarital and other counseling, along with support for all forms of human crises. We are glad to support the mission of LSS. Happy 140th Birthday LSS!

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**L: Come and worship,**

**C: All who need Christ's stabilizing presence.**

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***Gathering Hymn – What Wondrous Love Is This - #666***

- 1 What wondrous love is this,  
O my soul, O my soul!  
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!  
What wondrous love is this  
that caused the Lord of bliss  
to bear the dreadful curse  
for my soul, for my soul,  
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul?
- 2 When I was sinking down,  
sinking down, sinking down,  
when I was sinking down, sinking down,  
when I was sinking down  
beneath God's righteous frown,  
Christ laid aside his crown  
for my soul, for my soul,  
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul.
- 3 To God and to the Lamb  
I will sing, I will sing;  
to God and to the Lamb I will sing;  
to God and to the Lamb,  
who is the great I AM,  
while millions join the theme,  
I will sing, I will sing,  
while millions join the theme, I will sing.
- 4 And when from death I'm free,  
I'll sing on, I'll sing on;  
and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on;  
and when from death I'm free,  
I'll sing God's love for me,  
and through eternity  
I'll sing on, I'll sing on;  
and through eternity I'll sing on.

Text: North American folk hymn, 19th cent., alt.

## **Greeting**

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

**C: And also with you.**

## **Prayer of the Day**

L: Let us pray. (Pause)

L: Faithful Lord,

**C: Peter denied knowing you when you needed the love and support of your disciples the most. Help us to show up when we are needed. Amen.**

## **God's Word Enlivens Us**

**John 18:12-27**

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

So, the soldiers, their officer, and the Jewish police arrested Jesus and bound him. First, they took him to Annas, who was the father-in-law of Caiaphas, the high priest that year. Caiaphas was the one who had advised the Jews that it was better to have one person die for the people. Simon Peter and another disciple followed Jesus. Since that disciple was known to the high priest, he went with Jesus into the courtyard of the high priest, but Peter was standing outside at the gate. So, the other disciple, who was known to the high priest, went out, spoke to the woman who guarded the gate, and brought Peter in. The woman said to Peter, "You are not also one of this man's disciples, are you?" He said, "I am not." Now the slaves and the police had made a charcoal fire because it was cold, and they were standing around it and warming themselves. Peter also was standing with them and warming himself. Then the high priest questioned Jesus about his disciples and about his teaching. Jesus answered, "I have spoken openly to the world; I have always taught in synagogues and in the temple, where all the Jewish people come together. I have said nothing in secret. Why do you ask me? Ask those who heard what I said to them; they know what I said." When he had said this, one of the police standing nearby struck Jesus on the face, saying, "Is that how you answer the high priest?" Jesus answered, "If I have spoken wrongly, testify to the wrong. But if I have spoken rightly, why do you strike me?" Then Annas sent him bound to Caiaphas the high priest. Now Simon Peter was standing and warming himself. They asked him, "You are not also one of his disciples, are you?" He denied it and said, "I am not." One of the slaves of the high priest, a relative of the man whose ear Peter had cut off, asked, "Did I not see you in the garden with him?" Again, Peter denied it, and at that moment the cock crowed.

P: Word of God. Word of Life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **Message – Pastor Jack Way**

### ***Hymn of the Day – Change My Heart, O God - #801 (Sing through twice)***

Change my heart, O God;  
make it ever true.  
Change my heart, O God;  
may I be like you.  
You are the potter;  
I am the clay.  
Mold me and make me;  
this is what I pray.  
Change my heart, O God;  
make it ever true.  
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Text: Eddie Espinosa, b. 1953

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**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
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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,  
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### **Offertory Prayer**

P: Let us pray,

**C: Lord, sometimes all we have to offer is our fear and our brokenness. But we still strive to offer the best of ourselves, even when we feel limited by our humanness. Accept these gifts, offered by a people who are sometimes driven by fear, and sometimes by courage, and always with a deep love for you. In Jesus' name we pray.                      Amen.**

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### **Post Communion Prayer**

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#### **Benediction:**

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**C: Amen.**

### ***Sending Hymn – Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer - #618***

- 1 Guide me ever, great Redeemer,  
pilgrim through this barren land.  
I am weak, but you are mighty;  
hold me with your pow'rful hand.  
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,  
feed me now and evermore,  
feed me now and evermore.
- 2 Open now the crystal fountain  
where the healing waters flow;  
let the fire and cloudy pillar  
lead me all my journey through.  
Strong deliv'rer, strong deliv'rer,  
shield me with your mighty arm,  
shield me with your mighty arm.
- 3 When I tread the verge of Jordan,

bid my anxious fears subside;  
death of death and hell's destruction,  
land me safe on Canaan's side.  
Songs and praises, songs and praises,  
I will raise forevermore,  
I will raise forevermore.

Text: William Williams, 1717-1791; tr. William Williams and Peter Williams, 1722-1796, alt.

## **Dismissal**

P: As Jesus stood alone in strength during those frightening hours of trial, he continued to give of himself. We rely upon Christ dwelling within us and around us in our times of trial. May we go now to share Jesus' courageous bountiful and eternal loving kindness.

**C: For the sake of the fearful world. Thanks be to God.**

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Thank you.

Your Worship Team

Please order:

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(Qty.) in Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

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Order placed by \_\_\_\_\_  
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**God's Spirit Gathers Us**

**Prelude**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**The Council has voted to return to in-person worship as of Sunday, March 6. Masks are required when singing. Humming along without masks is acceptable. Masking during worship is optional, (except when singing). We continue worship via virtual (Facebook) or recorded worship (YouTube), and by radio transmission at the parking lot worship or at home using our radio broadcast (FM 101.7).**

**The Annual Meeting will be held Sunday, April 3, 2022, @ 10:00 a.m., following worship. If you would like a copy of the Annual Report prior to the meeting, you may pick one up during worship today, stop in at the office on Monday or Tuesday between 9-Noon, or contact the office and one can be mailed to you.**

**Please contact the office if you wish to receive a hard copy of the bulletin or pre-packaged Communion Cups.**

**Call To Worship**

**L: Come, all who need rest.**

**C: Come, all who need restoration.**

**L: Approach God with courage,**

**C: For God is in charge.**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

**L: We confess our sins before God and one another.**

**Pause for silence and reflection.**

**L: Merciful God,**

**C: These 40 days we reflect on how our sin bleeds into the world, leaving a mark that we cannot remove. Forgive all we have done and failed to do, and cleanse us from the stain of sin.**

L: Our God is gracious and forgiving. God does not desire that we wallow in the brokenness, but instead cleanses us and makes us new. Receive the entire forgiveness of all your sin, and walk in newness of life. For the sake of Jesus Christ, we pray.

**C: Amen.**

***Gathering Hymn – Jesus Calls Us; o’er the Tumult - #696***

- 1 Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult  
of our life's wild, restless sea,  
day by day his clear voice sounding,  
saying, "Christian, follow me":
- 2 As of old Saint Andrew heard it  
by the Galilean lake,  
turned from home and toil and kindred,  
leaving all for Jesus' sake.
- 3 Jesus calls us from the worship  
of the vain world's golden store,  
from each idol that would keep us,  
saying, "Christian, love me more."
- 4 In our joys and in our sorrows,  
days of toil and hours of ease,  
still he calls, in cares and pleasures,  
"Christian, love me more than these."
- 5 Jesus calls us! By your mercy,  
Savior, may we hear your call,  
give our hearts to your obedience,  
serve and love you best of all.

Text: Cecil Frances Alexander, 1818-1895

**Greeting**

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

**C: And also with you.**

## **Prayer of the Day**

L: Let us pray. (Pause)

L: Lord Jesus,

**C: Even in the middle of interrogation, you kept your eyes on the mission before you. Grant us courage in the face of danger, and conviction when it would be easy to falter. Amen.**

## **God's Word Enlivens Us**

**John 18:28-40**

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

Then they took Jesus from Caiaphas to Pilate's headquarters. It was early in the morning. They themselves did not enter the headquarters, so as to avoid ritual defilement and to be able to eat the Passover. So Pilate went out to them and said, "What accusation do you bring against this man?" They answered, "If this man were not a criminal, we would not have handed him over to you." Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and judge him according to your law." The Jews replied, "We are not permitted to put anyone to death." (This was to fulfill what Jesus had said when he indicated the kind of death he was to die.) Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice." Pilate asked him, "What is truth?" After he had said this, he went out to the Jewish leaders again and told them, "I find no case against him. But you have a custom that I release someone for you at the Passover. Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?" They shouted in reply, "Not this man, but Barabbas!" Now Barabbas was a bandit.

P: Word of God. Word of Life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **Message – Pastor Jack Way**



### ***Hymn of the Day – I Want Jesus to Walk with Me - #325***

- 1 I want Jesus to walk with me;  
I want Jesus to walk with me;  
all along my pilgrim journey,  
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.
- 2 In my trials, Lord, walk with me;  
in my trials, Lord, walk with me;  
when my heart is almost breaking,  
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.
- 3 When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me;  
when I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me;  
when my head is bowed in sorrow,  
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Text: African American spiritual

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## **Post Communion Prayer**

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**C: Amen**

### ***Sending Hymn – Lead On, O King Eternal! - #805***

- 1 Lead on, O King eternal!  
The day of march has come;  
henceforth in fields of conquest  
your tents will be our home.  
Through days of preparation  
your grace has made us strong;  
and now, O King eternal,  
we lift our battle song.
- 2 Lead on, O King eternal,  
till sin's fierce war shall cease,  
and holiness shall whisper  
the sweet amen of peace;  
for not with swords loud clashing,  
nor roll of stirring drums,  
but deeds of love and mercy  
the heav'nly kingdom comes.
- 3 Lead on, O King eternal:  
we follow, not with fears,  
for gladness breaks like morning  
where'er your face appears.  
Your cross is lifted o'er us;  
we journey in its light;  
the crown awaits the conquest;  
lead on, O God of might!

## Dismissal

P: Once again you have come into the world to testify to the truth that God's unconditional love is for all of God's creation. We receive everything from the table of your presence, where your body and blood refresh, replenish and renew us to go and give away your infinite love to a world and a people in need.

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