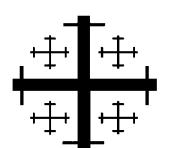
Third Sunday in Lent

23 March 2025 9:30 am





The Liturgy at Calvary

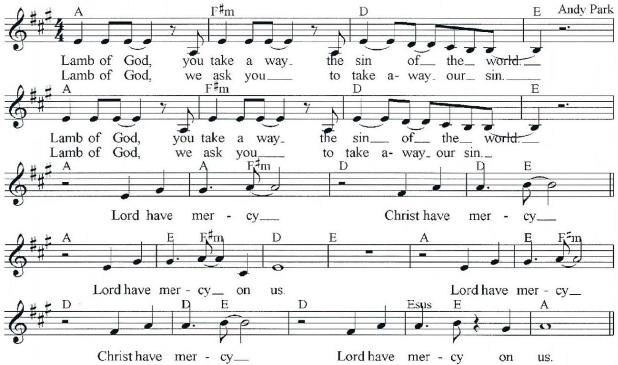
The warnings are plentiful and blunt on the third Sunday in Lent. Cut it out or get cut down! The warnings are accompanied by God's invitation to attentiveness: "Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live." The landowner's ultimatum is

forestalled by the gardener's readiness to till the ground one more year. That is good news for all of us. Thanks be to God!

Prelude: Prelude and Fugue in D Minor

J. S. Bach, 1685-1750



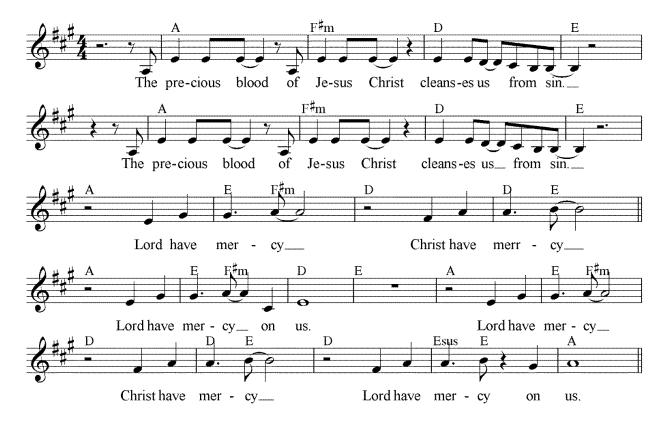


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L "Seek the LORD while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the LORD, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon" (Isaiah 55:6-7). Let us confess all that prevents us from returning to the Lord.

Silence is kept for confession and reflection

- L We pray...
- O God, you are my God, I seek you, my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water. For you have been my help, and in the shadow of your wings I sing for joy (Psalm 63:1,7).
- Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. For you shall go out in joy, and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands (Isaiah 55:1,12).



Apostolic Greeting

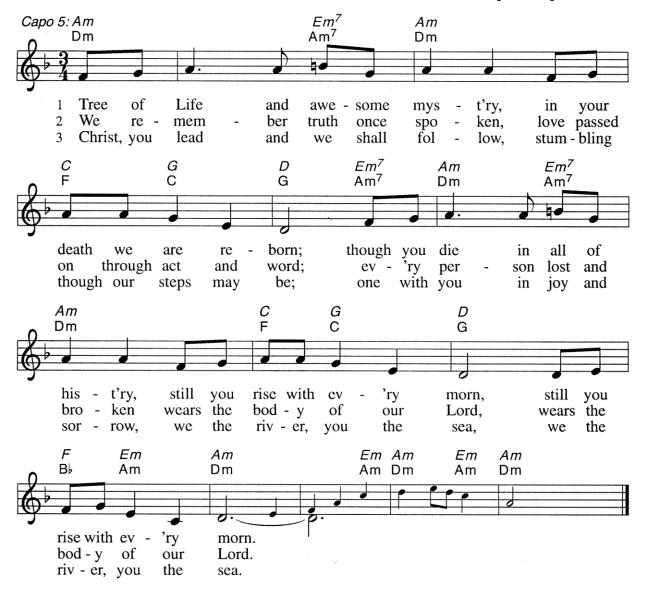
- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, ★ and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

Kyrie Eleison [*Greek,* Lord Have Mercy]



"Kyrie" from Wondrous Feast, a setting of the Mass for Calvary Lutheran Church
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Canticle Of Praise Tree of Life & Awesome Mystery



4. Living Water of salvation, be the fountain of each soul; springing up in new creation, flow in us and make us whole, flow in us and make us whole.

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Prayer Of The Day

- P The Lord be with you
- C And also with you
- P Let us pray... Eternal God, your kingdom has broken into our troubled world through the life, death, and resurrection of your Son. Help us to hear your word and obey it, and bring your saving love to fruition in our lives, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen

Please sit

First Reading Isaiah 55:1-9

¹Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.

²Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy?

Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food.

³Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live.

I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David.

⁴See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples.

⁵See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel,

for he has glorified you.

⁶Seek the LORD while he may be found, call upon him while he is near;

⁷let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts;

let them return to the LORD, that he may have mercy on them,

and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

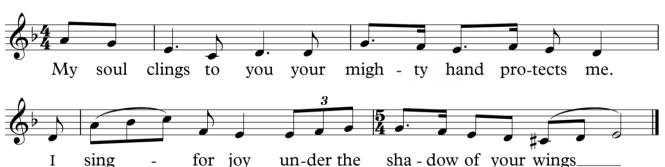
8For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD.

9For as the heavens are higher than the earth,
so are my ways higher than your ways
and my thoughts than your thoughts.

- L The Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 63 Cantor/Choir sing refrain; all echo & sing after verses

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1. O God you are my God, eagerly I seek you. My soul thirst for you, my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water. I long to gaze on you in your Sanctuary; to see your glory; to know your constant love: better than life itself. My lips shall give you praise.

Refrain

2. I bless you all my life, lift my hands in praise. My spirit is content as with the richest food. Under the shadow of your wings my soul clings to you. In bed, I think of you--meditate the night long. You always help me. I sing for joy. Yea, in the morning, on my lips are songs of joy to you.

Refrain

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 10:1-13

¹I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, ²and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, ³and all ate the same spiritual food, ⁴and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. ⁵Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness.

⁶Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. ⁷Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play." 8We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. ⁹We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. ¹⁰And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. ¹¹These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. ¹²So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. ¹³No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Holy Gospel



P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 13th chapter **C Glory to you O Lord!**

¹At that very time there were some present who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices.²[Jesus] asked them, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans?³No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. ⁴Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them—do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? ⁵No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did."

⁶Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. ⁷So he said to the gardener, 'See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?' ⁸He replied, 'Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. ⁹If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.'"

- P The Gospel of our Lord.
- C Praise to you O Christ!

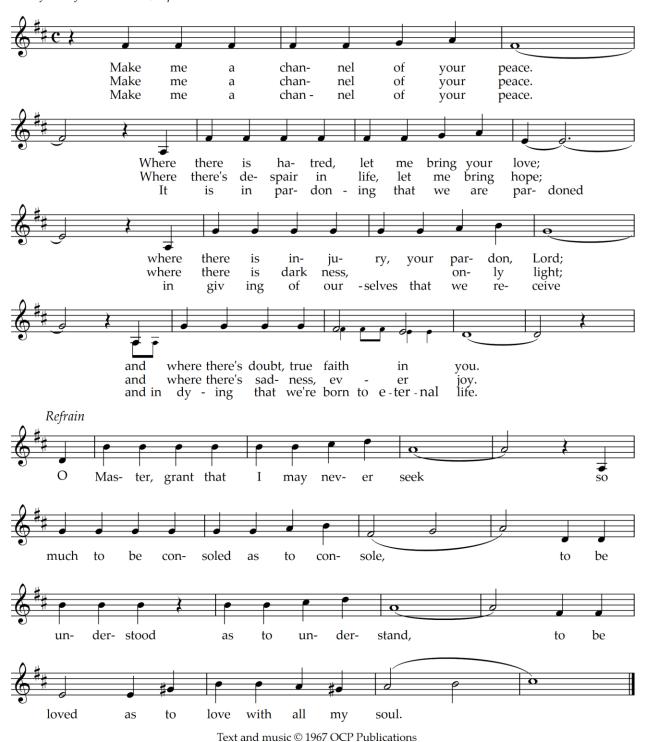
Sermon *Pr. Kyle*

Hymn of The Day

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

Prayer of St. Francis

Refrain after each verse; repeat vs 1 to end



Creed

A Let us profess the faith in which we are Baptized.

All I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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 Intercession

A Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.



After each petition

A Lord in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

concluding with

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

Peace

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

Please show a sign of peace

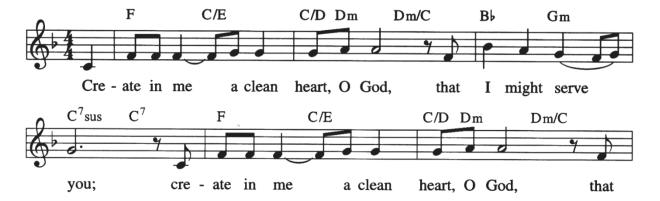
Offertory: Jesus, Priceless Treasure

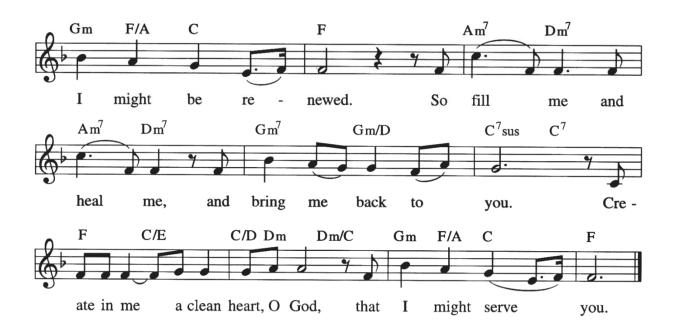
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Setting: Michael Burkhardt c. 2025



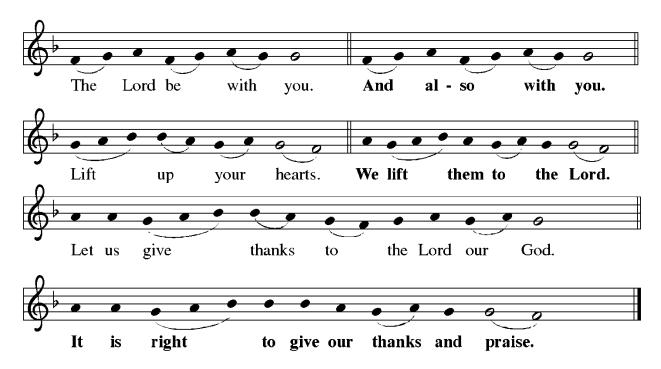
Please stand as our gifts are presented, singing





- A Let us pray. Merciful Father,
- C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us - our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

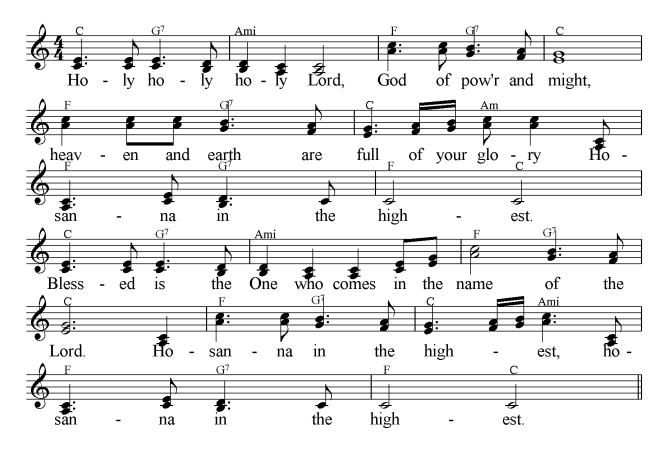


P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ.

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 & Benedictus [Holy & Blessed, Latin]



Eucharistic Prayer

Eucharistic Acclamation



- P Remember us in your kingdom, O Lord, and teach us to pray.
- 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.

P Body of Christ given for you. Blood of Christ shed for you.



grant us your peace.

Grant us your peace,



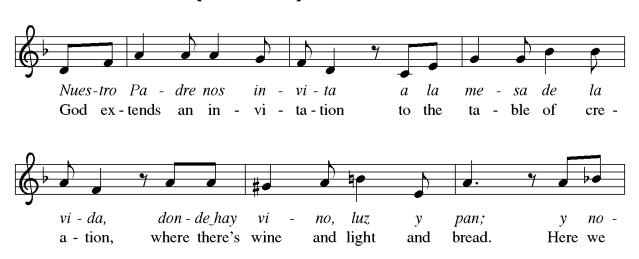
In-Person: We commune at the Altar. Ushers will guide. Wine is Red, Grape Juice is White, Gluten-free wafers available upon request.

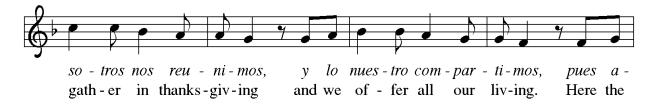
Online at Home: If you have elements at home, commune with those in attendance at the same time. We encourage you to communion each other and bless children who have not received First Communion. Consider giving this blessing:

"Know that the promises of Jesus's love are for you."

Songs that may be sung during distribution of the Sacrament:

God Extends an Invitation, *Nuestro Padre Nos Invita* (ELW 486)

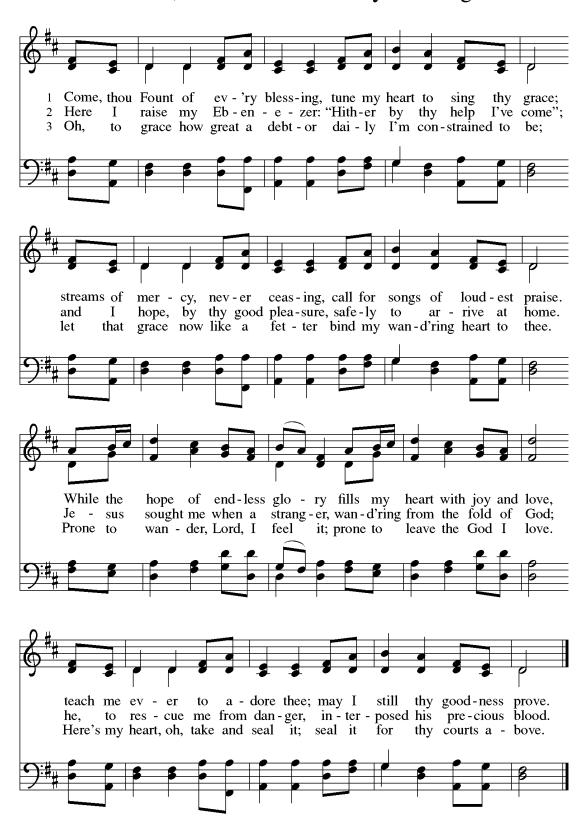






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Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

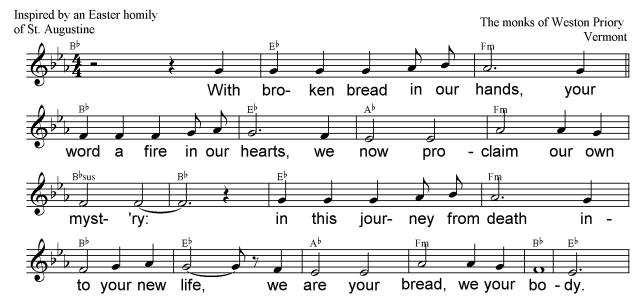


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Music: NETTLETON, J. Wyeth, Repository of Sacred Music, Part II, 1813

- **P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.
- C Amen.

Post-Communion Canticle



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A Let us pray... 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.

C Amen.

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ♣ give you peace.

C Amen

Sending Light Dawns on a Weary World (ELW 726)



Text: Mary Louise Bringle, b. 1953

Music: Temple of Peace 7 6 7 7 8, William P. Rowan, b. 1951

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A Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

Postlude My Song Is Love Unknown

Tune: *Rhosymedre* by John D. Edwards, 1806-1885 Arr. Dale Wood, 1934-2003

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Commemorations This Week

Oscar Arnulfo Romero, Bishop of El Salvador, martyr, died 1980

Monday, March 24, 2025

Romero was deeply concerned with injustices evident toward the poor and powerless in El Salvador, and worked forthrightly against political repression. He was assassinated while presiding at the eucharist in a chapel near the cathedral in San Salvador.

Annunciation of Our Lord Tuesday, March 25, 2025

Nine months before Christmas we celebrate the annunciation, in which the angel Gabriel announced to Mary that she would give birth to the Son of God. The ancient church believed that this was also the date of the world's creation and of Jesus' death on the cross.

Hans Nielsen Hauge, renewer of the church, died 1824 Saturday, March 29, 2025

Hauge was a layperson who wished to revitalize the church in Norway. As a result of a mystical experience, he felt called to preach. Many professionals in the church feared his motives and influence, and he was imprisoned for leading unauthorized gatherings.