



Sundays at Grace

8:30am

Lutheranism 101
(Duke Lutheran Center)

9:30am Fellowship Time

10:10am Worship

3pm Young Adult Group

5:30pm Duke Lutheran
Prayer Service & Dinner
(Duke Lutheran Center)

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Welcome to Grace Lutheran Church

Sunday, March 22, 2026
Fifth Sunday in Lent



*We go with Good News, teaching, serving,
and sharing Christ with our neighbors.*

VERSE OF THE DAY:

"I am the resurrection and the life.
Whoever believes in Me, though he die, yet shall he live,
and everyone who lives and believes in Me
shall never die." -John 11:25-26

Welcome to Grace Lutheran Church!

"I came that they may have life and have it abundantly." -John 10:10

Worshiping with us for the first time?

If you are a first time visitor, welcome! We're glad you're here!

We encourage you to review our Statement of Communion on page 17.

If you have any questions, please take a moment to speak with Pastor Brooks or one of our ushers.

Please fill out a guest card in the pew racks and tell us about yourself, or scan the QR code. If you have any questions, you are invited to visit our Welcome Center in the Narthex.



*We welcome children in worship services.
Age-appropriate activity bags are located in the Narthex.*

INSIGHT INTO THE READINGS

Jesus Christ Is the Resurrection and the Life

The illness and death of Lazarus happened "that the Son of God may be glorified through it" (John 11:4). Jesus' miracle of raising Lazarus prompted His arrest and crucifixion, whereby He would die "for the nation" and gather "into one the children of God who are scattered abroad" (John 11:51–52). As He called Lazarus from the tomb and commanded others to "unbind him, and let him go" (John 11:44), Jesus also calls us and releases us from the bondage of sin and death. We would not "submit to God's law," nor could we "please God" (Rom. 8:7–8), but "He condemned sin" in His own flesh so "that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us" (Rom. 8:3–4). Now through the Gospel, "the Spirit of Him Who raised Jesus from the dead dwells" in us (Rom. 8:11). His Word breathes His Spirit into our mortal flesh, animating us with His own life. As His ministers preach according to His divine command, the Lord Jesus calls us from the grave into the good land that He gives us (Ezek. 37:12, 14).

The congregation is asked to join in with the bold-faced text.

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P In the name of the Father, and the † Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: The greatest commandment is this:

‘Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.’ And like to is this: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no other commandment greater than these.

On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

C Amen. Lord, have mercy upon us; write Your law upon our hearts, that we may have hearts for You alone.

P Dear ones, God so loved the world that He gave His only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life. Let us confess our sins in faith and hope, that by His grace we might grow in love for Him and live in love and peace with all.

C Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word and deed. We have not loved You with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your eternal punishment. In Your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with You, our God. Amen.

P Mighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

OPENING HYMN — *In God, My Faithful God* (LSB 745)



1 In God, my faith - ful God, I trust when dark my road;
2 My sins fill me with care, Yet I will not de - spair.
3 If death my por - tion be, It brings great gain to me;
4 O Je - sus Christ, my Lord, So meek in deed and word,
5 "So be it," then, I say With all my heart each day.



Great woes may o - ver - take me, Yet He will not for - sake me.
I build on Christ, who loves me; From this rock noth - ing moves me.
It speeds my life's en - deav - or To live with Christ for - ev - er.
You suf - fered death to save us Be - cause Your love would have us
Dear Lord, we all a - dore You, We sing for joy be - fore You.



My trou - bles He can al - ter; His hand lets noth - ing fal - ter.
To Him I will sur - ren - der, To Him, my soul's de - fend - er.
He gives me joy in sor - row, Come death now or to - mor - row.
Be heirs of heav'n - ly glad - ness When ends this life of sad - ness.
Guide us while here we wan - der Un - til we praise You yon - der.

Text: Veer schöne nye Geistlike Leder, before 1603, Lübeck; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.

Tune: Kurtzweilige teutsche Lieder, 1576, Nürnberg, alt.

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WE WELCOME OUR LORD

SERVICE OF THE WORD

KYRIE – *Your Heart, O God, Is Grieved* (LSB 945)

Cantor



1 O God, Father in heav - en, have mer-cy up - on us.
2 O Son of God, Redeemer of the world, have mer-cy up - on us.
3 O God, Holy Spir - it, have mer-cy up - on us.

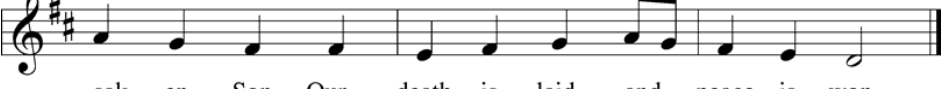
Congregation



Your heart, O God, is grieved, we know, By ev - 'ry
Your arms ex - tend, O Christ, to save From sting of
O lav - ish Giv - er, come to aid The fee - ble



e - vil, ev - 'ry woe; Up - on Your cross - for -
death and grasp of grave; Your scars be - fore the
child Your grace has made. Now make us grow and



sak - en Son Our death is laid, and peace is won.
Fa - ther move His heart to mer - cy at such love.
help us pray; Bring joy and com - fort; come to stay.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

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 Let us pray.

Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

OUR LORD SPEAKS TO US

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Ezekiel 37:1–14 (Pew Bible pg. 724)

The Old Testament Lesson is from the 37th Chapter of Ezekiel.

¹The hand of the Lord was upon me, and He brought me out in the Spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of bones.

²And He led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. ³And He said to me, “Son of man, can these bones live?” And I answered, “O Lord God, You know.”

⁴Then He said to me, “Prophecy over these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord.

⁵Thus says the Lord God to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. ⁶And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the Lord.”

⁷So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I prophesied, there was a sound, and behold, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone.

⁸And I looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them.

But there was no breath in them.

⁹Then He said to me, “Prophecy to the breath; prophecy, son of man, and say to the breath, Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live.” ¹⁰So I prophesied as He commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army.

¹¹Then He said to me, “Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are clean cut off.’

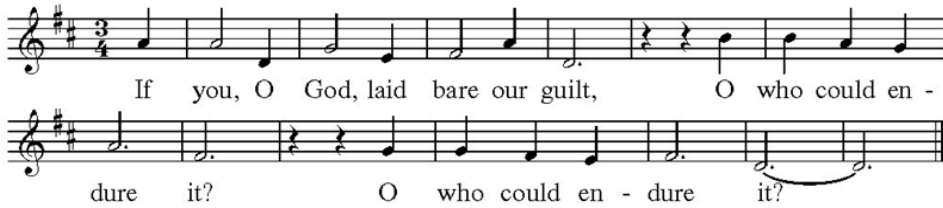
¹²Therefore prophecy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel. ¹³And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O My people. ¹⁴And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the Lord; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the Lord.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 130 — *If You, O God, Laid Bare Our Guilt* (Gather 126)

(Congregation sings refrain after verses)



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| <p>1 Out of the depths I cry to you. Lord, hear my plea. Let your ear be attentive to the sound of my call.
Refrain</p> <p>2 If you, O God, lay bare our sin, Lord, who can stand? But with you is forgiveness, so your name is revered.
Refrain</p> | <p>3 Waiting for you, our souls await, hoping in God. Like the sent'nel for daybreak, so our souls wait for you.
Refrain</p> <p>4 For with the Lord is steadfast love: pow'r to redeem. God will save us from sorrows, bring us back from our sin. Refrain</p> |
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THE EPISTLE LESSON

Romans 8:1–11 (Pew Bible, pg. 944)

The Epistle Lesson is from the 8th Chapter of Romans.

¹There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

²For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. ³For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, He condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. ⁵For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. ⁶To set the mind on

the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. ⁷For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot. ⁸Those who are in the flesh cannot please God. ⁹You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to Him. ¹⁰But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. ¹¹If the Spirit of Him Who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He Who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit Who dwells in you.

L This is the Word of the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



HOLY GOSPEL

John 11:1-45 (Pew Bible, pg. 897)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 11th Chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. ²It was Mary who anointed the Lord with ointment and wiped His feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was ill. ³So the sisters sent to Him, saying, "Lord, he whom You love is ill."

⁴But when Jesus heard it He said, "This illness does not lead to death. It is for the glory of God, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it."

⁵Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. ⁶So, when He heard that Lazarus was ill, He stayed two days longer in the place where He was. ⁷Then after this He said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." ⁸The disciples said to Him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now seeking to stone You, and are You going there again?" ⁹Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours in the day?

If anyone walks in the day, he does not stumble, because he sees the light of this world. ¹⁰But if anyone walks in the night, he stumbles, because the light is not in him." ¹¹After saying these things, He said to them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I go to awaken him."

¹²The disciples said to Him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will recover."

¹³Now Jesus had spoken of his death, but they thought that he meant taking rest in sleep. ¹⁴Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus has died, ¹⁵and for your sake I am glad that I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." ¹⁶So Thomas, called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him." ¹⁷Now when Jesus came, He found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days.

¹⁸Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles off, ¹⁹and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them concerning their brother. ²⁰So when Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met Him, but Mary remained seated in the house.

²¹Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. ²²But even now I know that whatever You ask from God, God will give you." ²³Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." ²⁴Martha said to Him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day."

²⁵Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in Me, though he die, yet shall he live, ²⁶and everyone who lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?"

²⁷She said to Him, "Yes, Lord; I believe that You are the Christ, the Son of God, Who is coming into the world."

²⁸When she had said this, she went and called her sister Mary, saying in private, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you."

²⁹And when she heard it, she rose quickly and went to Him. ³⁰Now Jesus had not yet come into the village, but was still in the place where Martha had met Him.

³¹When the Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary rise quickly and go out, they followed her, supposing that she was going to the tomb to weep there. ³²Now when Mary came to where Jesus was and saw Him, she fell at

His feet, saying to Him, "Lord, if You had been here, my brother would not have died." ³³When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come with her also weeping, He was deeply moved in His spirit and greatly troubled.

³⁴And He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to Him, "Lord, come and see."

³⁵Jesus wept. ³⁶So the Jews said, "See how He loved him!" ³⁷But some of them said, "Could not He Who opened the eyes of the blind man also have kept this man from dying?"

³⁸Then Jesus, deeply moved again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay against it. ³⁹Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to Him, "Lord, by this time there will be an odor, for he has been dead four days."

⁴⁰Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" ⁴¹So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up His eyes and said, "Father, I thank You that You have heard Me. ⁴²I knew that You always hear Me, but I said this on account of the people standing around, that they may believe that You sent Me." ⁴³When He had said these things, He cried out with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out." ⁴⁴The man who had died came out, his hands and feet bound with linen strips, and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go." ⁴⁵Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what He did, believed in Him.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY — *Lord, Thee I Love* (LSB 708)



1 Lord, Thee I love with all my heart; I pray Thee, ne'er from
2 Yea, Lord, 'twas Thy rich boun-ty gave My bod - y, soul, and
3 Lord, let at last Thine an - gels come, To A - br'ham's bos - om



me de - part, With ten - der mer - cy cheer me. Earth
all I have In this poor life of la - bor. Lord,
bear me home, That I may die un - fear - ing; And



has no plea - sure I would share. Yea, heav'n it - self were
grant that I in ev - 'ry place May glo - ri - fy Thy
in its nar - row cham - ber keep My bod - y safe in



void and bare If Thou, Lord, wert not near me. And should my
lav - ish grace And help and serve my neigh - bor. Let no false
peace-ful sleep Un - til Thy re - ap - pear - ing. And then from



heart for sor - row break, My trust in Thee can noth - ing shake.
doc - trine me be - guile; Let Sa - tan not my soul de - file.
death a - wak - en me, That these mine eyes with joy may see,



Thou art the por - tion I have sought; Thy pre - cious
Give strength and pa - tience un - to me To bear my
O Son of God, Thy glo - rious face, My Sav - ior



blood my soul has bought. Lord Je - sus Christ, my God and
cross and fol - low Thee. Lord Je - sus Christ, my God and
and my fount of grace. Lord Je - sus Christ, my prayer at -



Lord, my God and Lord, For - sake me not! I trust Thy Word.
Lord, my God and Lord, In death Thy com - fort still af - ford.
tend, my prayer at - tend, And I will praise Thee with - out end.

Text: Martin Schalling, 1532-1608; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-78, alt.
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NICENE CREED *(spoken in unison)*

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God,
Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one
Being with the Father. Through Him all things were made.**

For us and for our salvation,

**He came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit,
He became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.**

For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

**He suffered death and was buried. On the third day He rose again in
accordance with the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated
at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living
and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Giver of life,
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son
He is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic † and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

† meaning the whole Church as it confesses the wholeness of the Christian doctrine

WE OFFER OURSELVES TO THE LORD

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

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

After each prayer, the congregation responds:

- P** Lord in Your mercy,
C **Hear our prayer.**

(The prayers conclude)

- P** Into Your hands...
C **Amen.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

Following the prayers, the people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, with the 'hand wave of peace', as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matthew 5:22–24; Ephesians 4:1–3).

OFFERTORY MUSIC

OFFERTORY

Please take a moment to fill out the attendance sheet found in your pew and place it in the offering plate as it comes by. Whether you're visiting or a longtime member, this helps us care for one another and stay connected as a church family.

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful (LSB 955)

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, And fill to the brim our
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were
sown, That we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the
hopes and the dreams of all; U - nite them with the prayers we
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with Your pres - ence, and
give us A fore - taste of the feast to come.

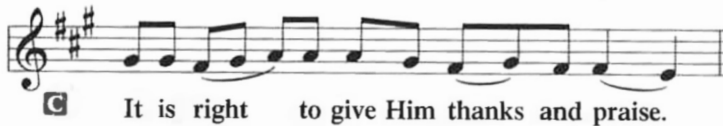
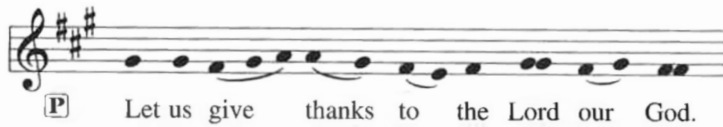
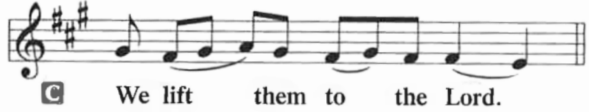
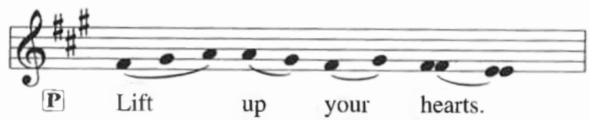
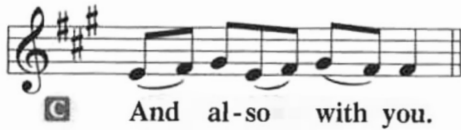
The musical score is written on six staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The final note of the piece is a whole note G on the fifth line of the staff.

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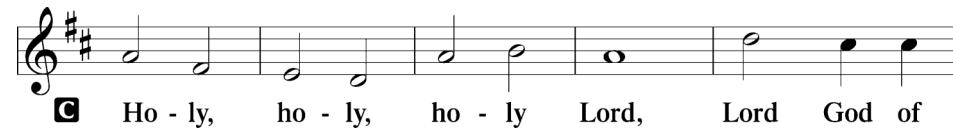
OUR LORD GIVES HIMSELF TO US

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

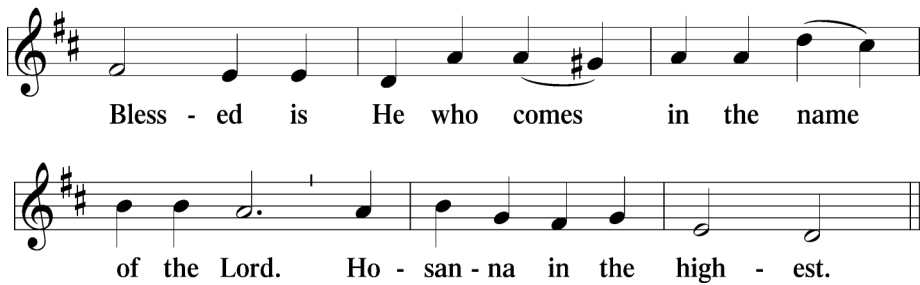
PREFACE



P It is truly good, right, and salutary ... we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:



(continues)



EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, You alone deserve our worship and praise, for great is the majesty of Your glory.
You so loved the world that You gave Your only Son, that whoever believes in Him may not perish, but have eternal life. Having come into the world, He humbled himself, was obedient even unto death, and accomplished our salvation. As we remember His salutary command, His life-giving passion and death, His glorious resurrection and ascension, and His promise to come again, we give You thanks, Lord God almighty, not as we ought, but as we are able; and we implore You in Your mercy to accept our praise and thanksgiving, and, with Your Word and Holy Spirit, to bless us, Your servants, and these, Your own gifts of bread and wine; that as we share the body and blood of our Lord, we may receive the forgiveness of sins and the joy of life everlasting, to Your eternal glory, both now and forever.

C Amen.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God...
...All honor and glory are Yours, O God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
in Your holy Church, now and forever.

C Amen.

P Remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

AGNUS DEI

C Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world;
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of
God, You take a - way the sin of the world;
grant us peace, grant us peace.

HOLY COMMUNION

Receiving Holy Communion

As Lutheran Christians, we believe, teach, and confess that Jesus Christ gives us His own true Body and Blood via the bread and wine of the Lord's Supper (1 Cor. 10:16).

We trust His promise that this Supper is for the forgiveness of our sins, the increase of our faith, and the strengthening of our life as the Church. Baptized Christians who share our confession, repent of their sins, and seek the Lord's blessing are welcome to receive. *First time guests are kindly asked to speak to our pastor or an usher before receiving communion.* Those not communing are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing.

[For silent prayer before communing]

Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this Holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

[For silent prayer after receiving the Sacrament]

Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN — *I am the Bread of Life* (WOV 702)



1 "I am the Bread of life. You who
2 "The bread that . . . I will give is my
3 "Un - less . . . you . . . eat of the
4 "I am the res - ur - rec - tion, . . .
5 Yes, Lord, . . . I be - lieve that . . .



come to me shall not hun - ger, and who be -
flesh for the life of the world, . . . and if you
flesh of the Son of Man . . . and . . .
I . . . am the life. . . . If you be -
you . . . are the Christ, . . . the . . .



lieve in me shall not thirst. No one can come to
eat . . . of this bread, you shall . . . live for -
drink . . . of his blood, and drink . . . of his
lieve . . . in . . . me, e - ven . . . though you
Son . . . of . . . God, who . . . have . . .



me un - less the Fa - ther beck - ons."
ev - er, . . . you shall live for - ev - er."
blood, you shall not have life with - in you."
die, . . . you shall live for - ev - er."
come in - to . . . the . . . world. . . .

Refrain



"And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,



and I will raise you up on the last day."

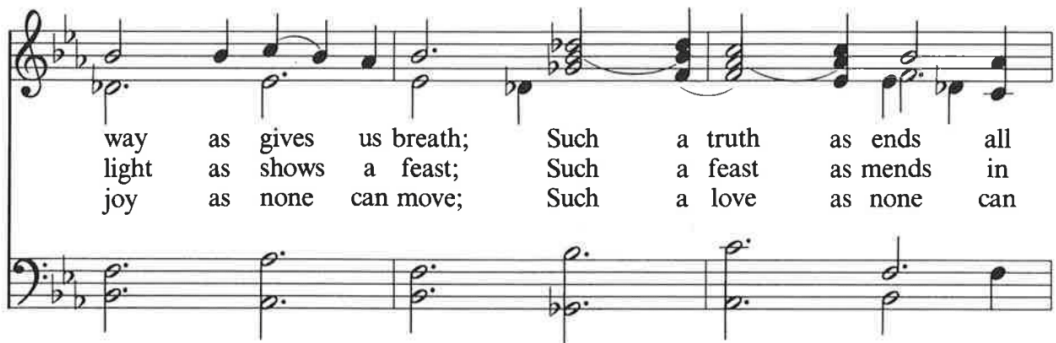


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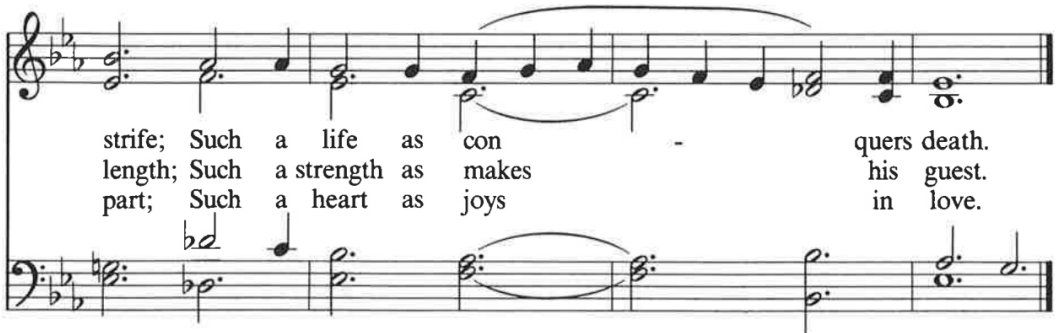
DISTRIBUTION HYMN — *Come My Way, My Truth, My Life* (LBW 513)



1 Come, my way, my truth, my life: Such a
 2 Come, my light, my feast, my strength: Such a
 3 Come, my joy, my love, my heart: Such a



way as gives us breath; Such a truth as ends all
 light as shows a feast; Such a feast as mends in
 joy as none can move; Such a love as none can



strife; Such a life as con- quers death.
 length; Such a strength as makes his guest.
 part; Such a heart as joys in love.

Text: George Herbert, Tune: THE CALL, R. Vaughan Williams
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DISTRIBUTION HYMN — *Bind Us Together* (WOV 748)

Refrain

Bind us to-gether, Lord; Bind us to-gether with cords that can-not be bro -

- ken. Bind us to-gether, Lord, bind us to-gether, Lord; Bind us to-gether with

Verses

love.

1. There is on - ly one God,	there is on - ly one
2. Made for the glo - ry of God,	pur-chased by His pre - cious
3. You are the fam-'ly of God,	you are the pro-mise di -

King. There is on - ly one bod-y; That is why we can

Son. Born with the right to be clean, for Je-sus the vic-t'ry has

- vine. You are God's cho - sen de - sire. You are the glo-rious new

sing:
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wine.

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GOD BLESSES US AND SENDS US OUT

NUNC DIMITTIS



Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va-tion which You have pre-pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re-veal You to the na-tions and the glo-ry of Your peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir-it; as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.

BENEDICTION

P May God the Father, Who does not despise the broken spirit, give to you a contrite heart;
May Christ, Who bore our sins in His body on the tree, heal you by His wounds;
May the Holy Spirit, Who leads us into all truth, speak to you words of pardon and peace. And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, † and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN — *O Love That Will Not Let Me Go* (LBW 324)

1 O Love that will not let me go, I rest my
 2 O Light that fol - lowest all my way, I yield my
 3 O Joy that seek - est me through pain, I can - not
 4 O Cross that lift - est up my head, I dare not

wea - ry soul in thee; I give thee back the life I owe, That
 flick'ring torch to thee; My heart re-stores its bor-rowed ray, That
 close my heart to thee; I trace the rain-bow through the rain And
 ask to fly from thee; I lay in dust life's glo - ry dead, And

in thine o - cean depths its flow May rich - er, full - er be.
 in thy sun - shine's blaze its day May bright - er, fair - er be.
 feel the prom - ise is not vain That morn shall tear - less be.
 from the ground there blos-soms red Life that shall end - less be.

Text: George Matheson, 1842–1906, alt.
 Tune: Albert L. Peace, 1844–1912

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DISMISSAL

- P** We go in the strength and joy of God! Let us not forget the things that our eyes have seen or let them fade from our hearts as long as we live (Deut 4:9).
So let us recall what the Lord has set before us.
- P** What is the Fifth Commandment?
- C** **You shall not murder.**
- P** What does this mean?
- C** **We should fear and love God so that we do not hurt or harm our neighbor in his body, but help and support him in every physical need.**
- P** So go in peace to love and serve the Lord!
- C** **Thanks be to God!**

UPCOMING AT GRACE

- *Wednesday Evenings — Midweek Lenten Service*
Noon Prayer Service (12pm)
Lenten Simple Supper (6:15pm)
Evening Service (7pm)
- *Thursday Evenings —* Witness Workshop (7pm)
- *Saturday, March 28 —* Making of Palm Crosses (9am)
Choir Camp (10am)
- *Sunday, March 29 —* Palm Sunday (10:10am), Special Voters' Meeting (11:30am)
- *Thursday, April 2 —* Maundy Thursday (7pm)
- *Friday, April 3 —* Good Friday Stations of the Cross (12pm)
Good Friday Vespers (7pm)
- *Sunday, April 5 —* Easter Sunday (6am Sunrise Service, 10:10am Worship,
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