



March 14, 2021 | 4th Sunday in Lent | 8:00 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.

Before coming to faith, we were dead in trespasses and sins. But while we were dead and helpless, God made us alive! In the Epistle, Paul writes that God saved us “being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which He loved us.” But we have not simply been made physically well, like the Israelites in the Old Testament Reading, but we have been given eternal life. The central reason is that “by grace you have been saved through faith.” We are His workmanship and in the light of Christ, it is obvious that the credit for whatever works we do must go to our gracious God. We are together with Christ and already, as it were, “with Him in the heavenly places.” Now that’s really living!

Prelude

Ostinato on What Wondrous Love Is This

JOHN EGGERT

Welcome and Announcements

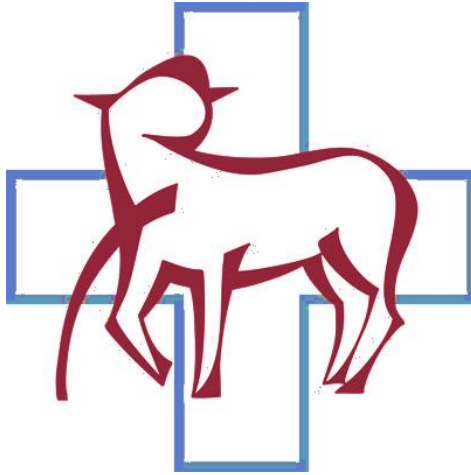
To Our Congregation and Guests about the Lord’s Supper

The Lord’s Supper is Jesus’ meal of forgiveness and strength. However, because those who eat and drink our Lord’s body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because we also believe that receiving the Lord’s Supper together is an outward profession of unity with one another in faith and doctrine, we would therefore only invite communicant members of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod to receive this gift with us. If you still desire to receive the sacrament, please first speak with the pastor.

Guests are still encouraged to come to the altar, cross their arms over their chests, and receive a special blessing.

Preparation for the Lord’s Supper can be made by reading the front inside cover and pp. 326-327 of the hymnal along with reaffirming the following statements:

- *I am baptized.*
- *I repent of my sins, trusting in Jesus’ atoning sacrifice for forgiveness and eternal life.*
- *I believe that I will eat Jesus’ actual flesh and blood in, with, and under bread and wine.*
- *As Jesus has forgiven and loved me, I do not refuse to forgive and love.*
- *By God’s grace I will continue to frequently receive Word and Sacrament, and I will strive to lead a Godly life to the praise and honor of Jesus’ holy name.*



Divine Service 3 LSB pgs. 184-202

✠ Service of Preparation ✠

Hymn of Invocation LSB 425 *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

HAMBURG



1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross On which the
2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast Save in the
3 See, from His head, His hands, His feet Sor - row and
4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, That were a



Prince of Glo - ry died, My rich - est gain I
death of Christ, my God; All the vain things that
love flow min - gled down! Did e'er such love and
trib - ute far too small; Love so a - maz - ing,



count but loss And pour con - tempt on all my pride.
charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to His blood.
sor - row meet Or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
so di - vine, De - mands my soul, my life, my all!

✠ Confession and Absolution ✠

L In the name of the Father and the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

LSB pgs. 184-185

C Amen.

Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]

L Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

[Hebrews 10:22]

L Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

Psalm 124:8

L I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.



Psalm 32:5

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

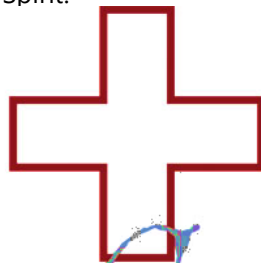
L O almighty God, merciful Father,

C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

John 20:19-23

C Amen.



Sola Gratia

GRACE ALONE

Kyrie

Lord, Have Mercy



Mark 10:47, LSB pg. 186

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

LSB 189

L The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22



C And with thy spirit.

L Let us pray.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul.

C Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience

L through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading Numbers 21:4-9



From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. And the people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food." Then the Lord sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. And the people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned, for we have spoken against the Lord and against you. Pray to the Lord, that he take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said to Moses, "Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live." So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

LSB 190

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading Ephesians 2:1-10

And you were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading John 3:14-21

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L The Holy Gospel according to St. John the third chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.



Jesus said: "As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their deeds were evil. For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed. But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his deeds have been carried out in God."

L This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

LSB pg. 191

L Christian, what do you believe?

**C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life † of the world to come. Amen.**



1 God loved the world so that He gave His on - ly
 2 Christ Je - sus is the ground of faith, Who was made
 3 God would not have the sin - ner die; His Son with
 4 Be of good cheer, for God's own Son For - gives all



Son the lost to save, That all who would in
 flesh and suf - fered death; All then who trust in
 sav - ing grace is nigh; His Spir - it in the
 sins which you have done; And, jus - ti - fied by



Him be - lieve Should ev - er - last - ing life re - ceive.
 Him a - lone Are built on this chief cor - ner - stone.
 Word de - clares How we in Christ are heav - en's heirs.
 Je - sus' blood, Your Bap - tism grants the high - est good.

5 **If you are sick, if death is near,
 This truth your troubled heart can cheer:
 Christ Jesus saves your soul from death;
 That is the firmest ground of faith.**

△ 6 **Glory to God the Father, Son,
 And Holy Spirit, Three in One!
 To You, O blessèd Trinity,
 Be praise now and eternally!**

Prayer of the Church

1 Timothy 2:1-4, LSB pg. 193



- L Let us pray for the Church here and around the world and for all people in their various circumstances.

When the Israelites became impatient, they spoke against God and against Moses. Let us pray for all who are in positions of authority in our nation and others, that God would give them wisdom to seek ways to meet the needs of their citizens, providing for equal justice and stability for everyone within their borders.

C And let us pray for police and armed forces, that God would protect them as they maintain security and peace.

L Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- L Many people follow the course of this world carrying out their desires, by nature children of wrath. Let us pray for people who influence our culture and society but without faith in our Savior, that God would open their eyes to look up to Christ on the cross, working faith in their hearts, and making them alive together with Christ.

C And let us pray for lay and clergy leaders of the Church here and around the world, that God would give them strength and opportunity to spread the Gospel with joy.

L Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- L When the Israelites were in the wilderness without food and water, God provided manna. Let us pray for all who lack adequate food, clothing, and shelter, that He would provide opportunities for individuals and organizations to channel the resources He provides to where they are most needed.

C And let us pray that all who manage God's bounty, serving Him so that it moves from mine to tool, from farm to table, from warehouse to storefront, and from street to home.

L Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- L The psalmist remembered that when "they cried to the LORD in their trouble, . . . He delivered them from their distress." Let us pray for all who are troubled in body, mind, or spirit, both those near and dear to us, [*especially* . . .], and those known only to God, that He would bring about healing, relief, comfort, and peace as fits His gracious plans for them.

C And let us pray for ourselves and all who care for the sick and dying, that we serve our gracious God using the gifts He provides.

Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

L Into Your hands, heavenly Father, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, in whose name we pray.

C **Amen.**

Offering -the offering is being collected at the Narthex-Sanctuary door.



Offertory

Be Thou My Vision

*Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art.
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.*

*Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word;
I ever with Thee, and Thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, I thy true son,
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.*

*Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance, now and always;
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my Treasure Thou art.*

*High King of heaven, my victory won.
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Son!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.*

Sung by: Vicar Caleb Worrall, Bonnie Stottlemeyer, Robin Nakkula

✠ Service of the Sacrament ✠

Preface

LSB pgs. 194-195

L The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

C And with thy spirit.

L Lift up your hearts.

Colossians 3:1

C We lift them up unto the Lord.

L Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

Psalms 136

C It is meet and right so to do.

Proper Preface

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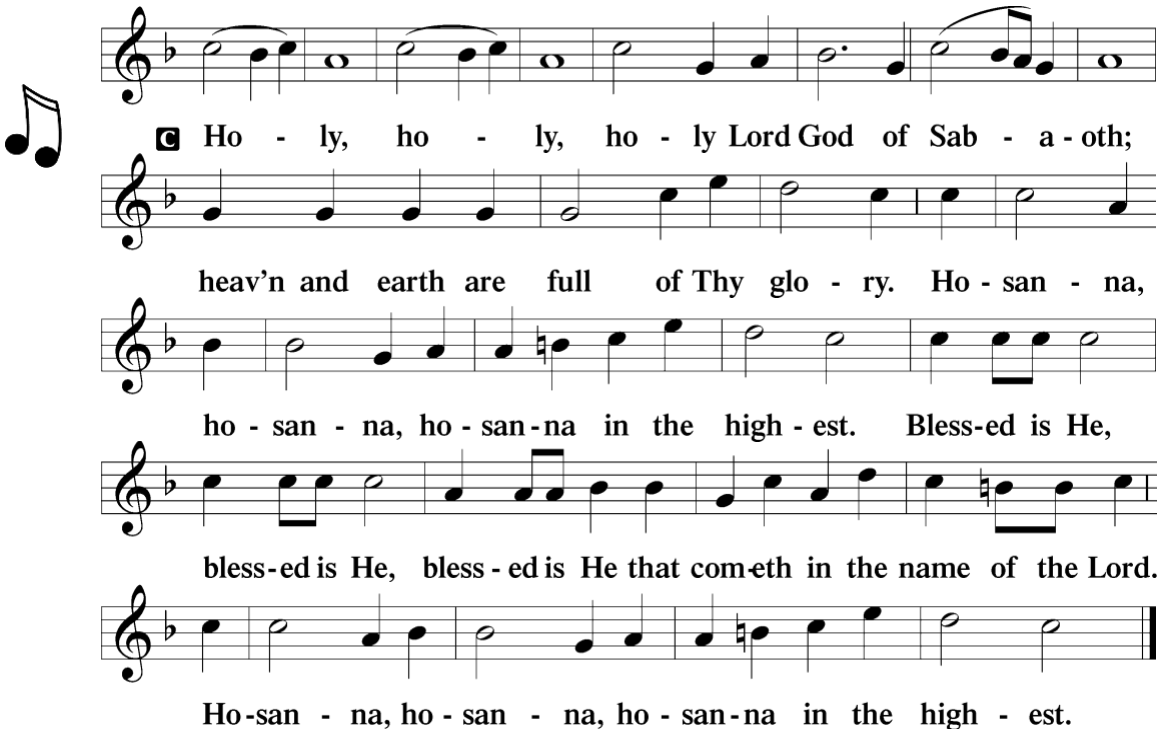
L It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave his life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth.

C Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9; LSB Pg. 195



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,
ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,
bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Lord's Prayer

LSB pg. 196

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom 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.**

Matthew 6:9-13



Words of our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My T blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

The Peace of the Lord

John 20:19, LSB pg.197


P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen



Agnus Dei

Lamb of God

 John 1:29; LSB Pg. 198



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the



world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.



Agnus Dei

LAMB OF GOD

Distribution

Distribution Hymn LSB 543

What Wondrous Love Is This



WONDROUS LOVE



1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What
2 When I was sink-ing down, sink-ing down, sink-ing down, When
3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing; To
4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on; And



won-drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is this That
I was sink-ing down, sink-ing down, When I was sink-ing down Be-
God and to the Lamb I will sing; To God and to the Lamb, Who
when from death I'm free, I'll sing on. And when from death I'm free, I'll



caused the Lord of bliss To bear the dread-ful curse for my
neath God's righ-teous frown, Christ laid a-side His crown for my
is the great I AM, While mil-lions join the theme, I will
sing His love for me, And through e-ter-ni-ty I'll sing



soul, for my soul, To bear the dread-ful curse for my soul!
soul, for my soul, Christ laid a-side His crown for my soul.
sing, I will sing, While mil-lions join the theme, I will sing,
on, I'll sing on, And through e-ter-ni-ty I'll sing on.



1 Je - sus, price-less trea - sure, Fount of pur - est plea - sure,
 2 In Thine arms I rest me; Foes who would mo - lest me
 3 Sa - tan, I de - fy thee; Death, I now de - cry thee;
 4 Hence, all earth - ly trea - sure! Je - sus is my plea - sure,



Tru - est friend to me, Ah, how long in an - guish
 Can - not reach me here. Though the earth be shak - ing,
 Fear, I bid thee cease. World, thou shalt not harm me
 Je - sus is my choice. Hence, all emp - ty glo - ry!



Shall my spir - it lan - guish, Yearn - ing, Lord, for Thee?
 Ev - 'ry heart be quak - ing, Je - sus calms my fear.
 Nor thy threats a - larm me While I sing of peace.
 Naught to me thy sto - ry Told with tempt - ing voice.



Thou art mine, O Lamb di - vine! I will suf - fer
 Light - nings flash And thun - ders crash; Yet, though sin and
 God's great pow'r Guards ev - 'ry hour; Earth and all its
 Pain or loss, Or shame or cross, Shall not from my



naught to hide Thee; Naught I ask be - side Thee.
 hell as - sail me, Je - sus will not fail me.
 depths a - dore Him, Si - lent bow be - fore Him.
 Sav - ior move me Since He deigns to love me.



5 E - vil world, I leave thee; Thou canst not de-ceive me,
6 Hence, all fear and sad - ness! For the Lord of glad - ness,



Thine ap - peal is vain. Sin that once did blind me,
Je - sus, en - ters in. Those who love the Fa - ther,



Get thee far be - hind me, Come not forth a - gain.
Though the storms may gath - er, Still have peace with - in.



Past thy hour, O pride and pow'r; Sin - ful life, thy
Yea, what - e'er I here must bear, Thou art still my

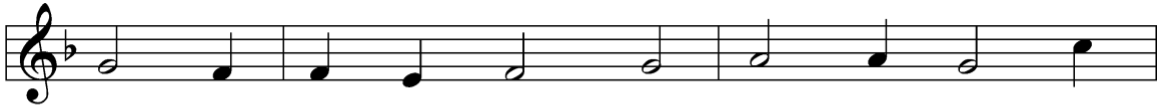


bonds I sev - er, Leave thee now for - ev - er.
pur - est plea - sure, Je - sus, price - less trea - sure!





1 The Gos - pel shows the Fa - ther's grace, Who sent His
2 It sets the Lamb be - fore our eyes, Who made the a -
3 It brings the Sav - ior's righ - teous - ness To robe our
4 It is the pow'r of God to save From sin and



Son to save our race, Pro - claims how Je - sus
ton - ing sac - ri - fice, And calls the souls with
souls in roy - al dress; From all our guilt it
Sa - tan and the grave; It works the faith which



lived and died That we might thus be jus - ti - fied.
guilt op - pressed To come and find e - ter - nal rest.
brings re - lease And gives the trou - bled con - science peace.
firm - ly clings To all the trea - sures which it brings.

5 **It bears to all the tidings glad
And bids their hearts no more be sad;
The weary, burdened souls it cheers
And banishes their guilty fears.**

6 **May we in faith its message learn
Nor thanklessly its blessings spurn;
May we in faith its truth confess
And praise the Lord, our righteousness.**



The Dismissal

LSB Pg. 199

L The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart † in peace.

C Amen.

Post Communion Hymn LSB 424 vs. 1&5 *O Christ, You Walked the Road*

SOUTHWELL



1 O Christ, You walked the road Our wan - d'ring feet must go.
5 O Christ, You walked the road Our wan - d'ring feet must go.



You faced with us temp - ta - tion's pow'r And fought our an - cient foe.
Stay with us through temp - ta - tion's hour To fight our an - cient foe.

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Post-Communion Collect

LSB pg. 201

L O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh,



we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament,

C and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You;

L through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benediction

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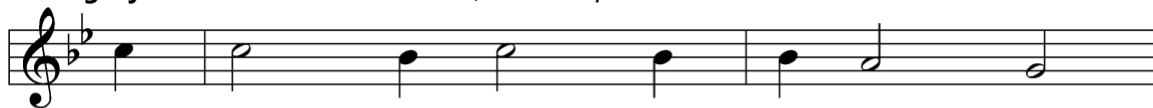
L The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.

C Amen.

Number 6:24-26



1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high,
 2 He sent no an - gel to our race,
 3 For us bap - tized, for us He bore
 4 For us He prayed; for us He taught;




Be - yond all thought and fan - ta - sy,
 Of high - er or of low - er place,
 His ho - ly fast and hun - gered sore;
 For us His dai - ly works He wrought,



That God, the Son of God, should take
 But wore the robe of hu - man frame,
 For us temp - ta - tion sharp He knew;
 By words and signs and ac - tions thus



Our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake!
 And to this world Him - self He came.
 For us the tempt - er o - ver - threw.
 Still seek - ing not Him - self but us.

5  For us by wickedness betrayed,
 For us, in crown of thorns arrayed,
 He bore the shameful cross and death;
 For us He gave His dying breath.

△ 7 All glory to our Lord and God
 For love so deep, so high, so broad;
 The Trinity whom we adore
 Forever and forevermore.

6 For us He rose from death again;
 For us He went on high to reign;
 For us He sent His Spirit here
 To guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.

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Sending

- L Go in peace, and serve the Lord
- C **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

On My Heart Imprint Your Image

KEVIN HILDEBRAND

Lent

“Marks of the Church”

Feb. 17th Ash Wednesday 12:00 & 7:00 pm

“The Holy Word of God”

Joel 2:12-19, 2 Cor. 5:20b-6:10, Matt. 6:1-6, 16-21

Mid-Week Wednesday Services

*Signing-up is not required
for the Mid-Week Services*

Hymn sing is 10 minutes before mid-week services.

Feb. 24th Wednesday 12:00 & 7:00 pm

“Holy Baptism”

Titus 3:1-11, Matt. 28:7-20

March 3rd Wednesday 12:00 & 7:00 pm

“Holy Communion”

1 Corinthians 10:1-22, Mark 14:12-26

March 10th Wednesday 12:00 & 7:00 pm

“The Office of Holy Ministry”

1 Peter 5:1-11, John 21:1-19

March 17th Wednesday 12:00 & 7:00 pm

“Holy Absolution and Church Discipline”

1 Corinthians 5:1-13, John 20:19-22

March 24th Wednesday 12:00 & 7:00 pm

“God’s Holy People in Worship”

Colossians 3:1-17, Lule 4:16-30



Holy Week

March 28th Palm Sunday

8:00, 10:45 am & 1:30pm

“Possession of the Holy Cross”

Zechariah 9:9-12, 1 Peter 3:8-4:19, Matthew 5:11-12

April 1st Maundy Thursday

12:00 & 7:00 pm

April 2nd Good Friday

12:00, 6:00 & 8:00 pm

April 3rd Easter Vigil

Saturday 6:00 – 8:00 pm at the Shelter House

The Resurrection of Our Lord

April 4th Easter Sunday 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am & 1:30 pm

Is. 25:6-9, 1 Cor. 15:1-11, Mark 16:1-8

Easter Egg Hunt Saturday April 3rd 11:00 am at the Shelter House

Visit our website for more information: stjohndublin.org

Call, text or email to sign-up in advance for all Holy Week and Easter Services.