



Second Sunday in Lent

March 1, 2015

Emanuel Lutheran Church

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WELCOME GUESTS AND VISITORS!

Welcome in the name of Jesus Christ. We are glad that you have come to worship with us. Please help us to know you by filling out a worship attendance form (located in your bulletin) and placing it in the offering plate.

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MARCH 1, 2015

9:30 AM

PRELUDE

Canzona in D Minor

J.S. Bach

WELCOME

ENTRANCE HYMN

The God of Abraham Praise

Red Book #831

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Please rise.

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. *(A brief silence for reflection.)* Gracious God,

C have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen

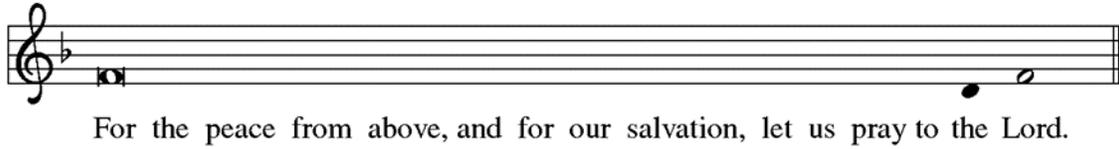
P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen

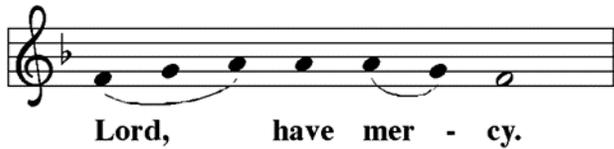
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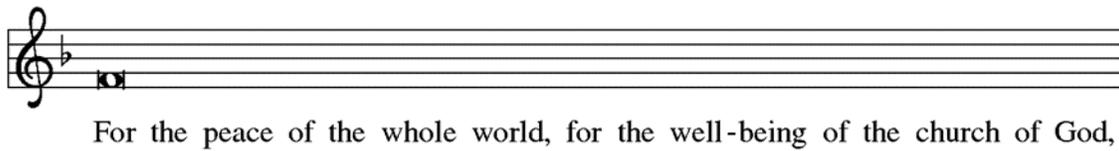
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



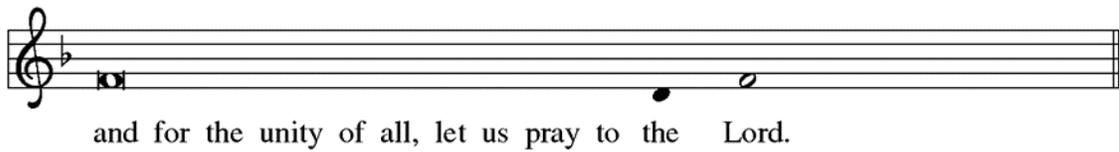
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



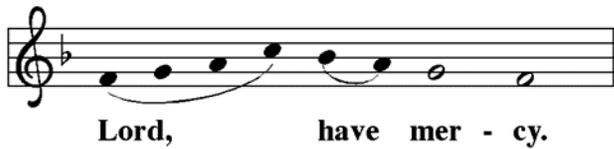
Lord, have mer - cy.



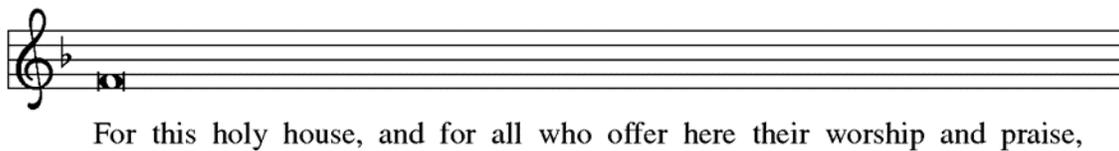
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



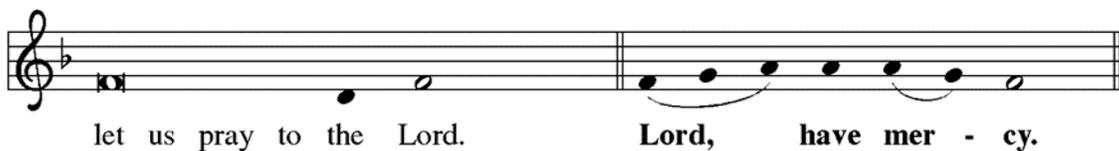
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



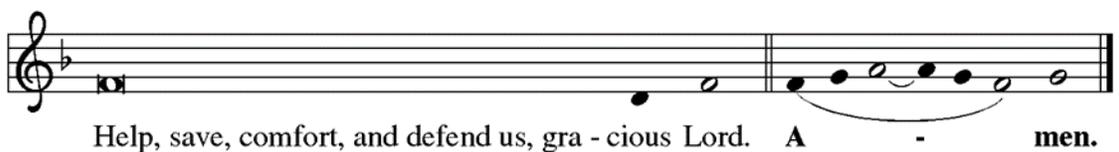
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **A - men.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray:

O God, by the passion of your blessed Son you made an instrument of shameful death to be for us the means of life. Grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ that we may gladly suffer shame and loss for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen

P Please be seated.

FIRST READING: Genesis 17:1–7, 15–16

As with Noah, God makes an everlasting covenant with Abraham and Sarah. God promises this old couple that they will be the ancestors of nations, though they have no child together. God will miraculously bring forth new life from Sarah's old womb. The name changes emphasize the firmness of God's promise.

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. ²And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." ³Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, ⁴"As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁵No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁶I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. ⁷I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. ¹⁵God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. ¹⁶I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 22:23–31



23 You who fear the LORD, give praise! All you of Jacob's¹ line, give glory.
Stand in awe of the LORD, all you off-¹spring of Israel.

24 **For the LORD does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;
neither is the LORD's face¹ hidden from them;
but when they cry out,¹ the LORD hears them.**

25 From you comes my praise in the¹ great assembly;
I will perform my vows in the sight of those who¹ fear the LORD.

26 **The poor shall eat¹ and be satisfied,
Let those who seek the LORD give praise!
May your hearts¹ live forever!**

27 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn¹ to the LORD;
all the families of nations shall bow¹ before God.

28 **For dominion belongs¹ to the LORD,
who rules o-¹ver the nations.**

29 Indeed, all who sleep in the earth shall bow¹ down in worship;
all who go down to the dust, though they be dead,
shall kneel be-¹fore the LORD.

30 **Their descendants shall¹ serve the LORD,
whom they shall proclaim to genera-¹tions to come.**

ALL **They shall proclaim God's deliverance to a people¹ yet unborn,
saying to them, "The¹ LORD has acted!"**

SECOND READING: Romans 4:13–25

Paul presents Abraham as the example for how a person comes into a right relationship with God not through works of the law but through faith. Though Abraham and Sarah were far too old for bearing children, Abraham trusted that God would accomplish what God had promised to accomplish.

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith.¹⁴ If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void.¹⁵ For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

¹⁶ For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also

to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, ¹⁷as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”) — in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. ¹⁸Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become “the father of many nations,” according to what was said, “So numerous shall your descendants be.” ¹⁹He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah’s womb. ²⁰No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. ²²Therefore his faith “was reckoned to him as righteousness.” ²³Now the words, “it was reckoned to him,” were written not for his sake alone, ²⁴but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, ²⁵who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in
stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

GOSPEL: Mark 8:31–38

The holy gospel according to Mark, Chapter 8.

Glory to you, O Lord.

After Peter confesses his belief that Jesus is the Messiah, Jesus tells his disciples for the first time what is to come. Peter’s response indicates that he does not yet understand the way of the cross that Jesus will travel.

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three

days rise again. ³²He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”

³⁴He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S TIME

SERMON

Pastor Bill Ruth

HYMN OF THE DAY

There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy

Red Book #588

APOSTLES’ CREED

A With the whole church, let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostles’ 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 INTERCESSION

A Led by Christ in our journey of repentance and moved by his compassion, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation. You are invited to kneel.

Response...Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

SHARING THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

TITHES & OFFERINGS *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* Michael Burkhardt

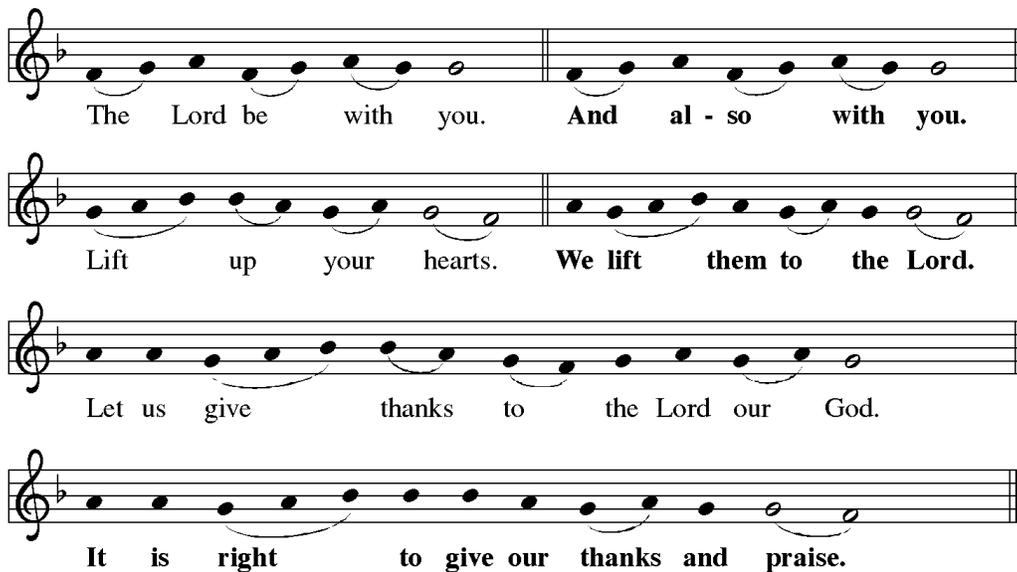
OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Let us pray.

God our provider, you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

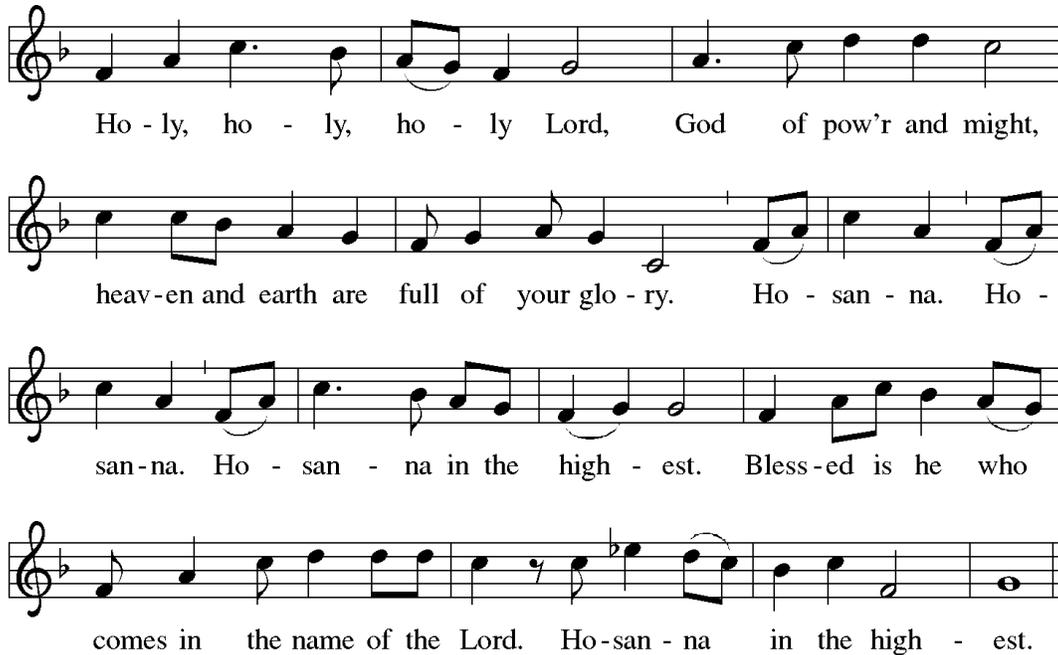
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. Each staff contains a melody line with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: 'The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.', 'Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.', 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.', and 'It is right to give our thanks and praise.' The music consists of quarter and eighth notes with various rests and phrasing slurs.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,
you have brought us this far along the way.
In times of bitterness you did not abandon us,
but guided us into the path of love and light.
In every age you sent prophets
to make known your loving will for all humanity.
The cry of the poor has become your own cry;
our hunger and thirst for justice is your own desire.
In the fullness of time, you sent your chosen servant
to preach good news to the afflicted,
to break bread with the outcast and despised,
and to ransom those in bondage to prejudice and sin.
In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

P Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection,
we await the day when Jesus shall return
to free all the earth from the bonds of slavery and death.
Come, Lord Jesus! And let the church say, Amen.

C Amen

P Send your Holy Spirit, our advocate,
to fill the hearts of all who share this bread and cup
with courage and wisdom to pursue love and justice in all
the world. Come, Spirit of freedom! And let the church say, Amen.

C Amen

P Join our prayers and praise with your prophets and martyrs of every age,
that, rejoicing in the hope of the resurrection,
we might live in the freedom and hope of your Son.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

C Amen

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,

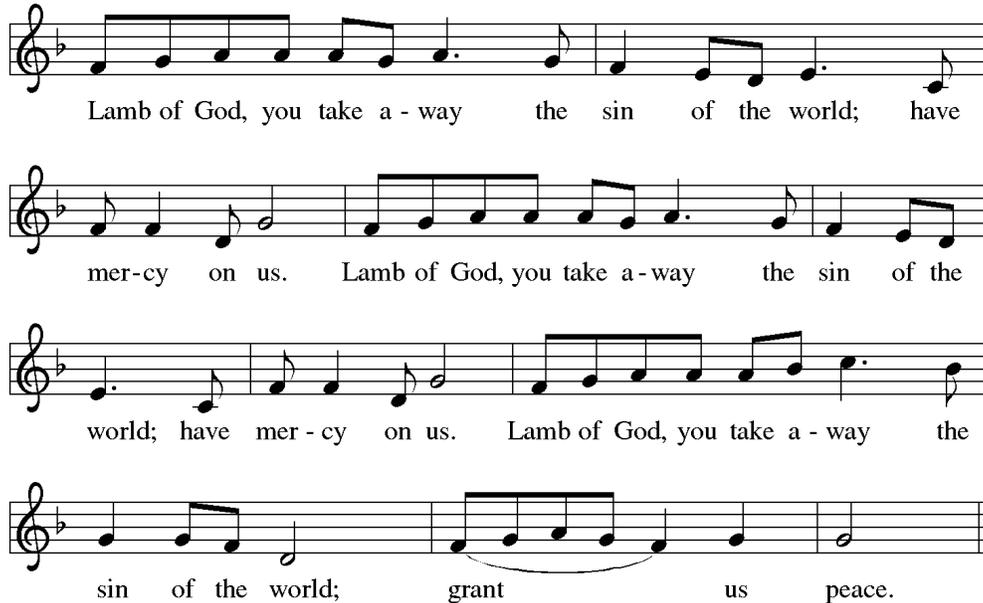
now and forever. Amen

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P Come to the table of mercy, where the feast of life is spread.

Please be seated. *We will practice continuous communion at the altar rail. All baptized Christians are welcome to commune.*

LAMB OF GOD



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.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me
Around You, O Lord Jesus

Red Book #325

Red Book #468

COMMUNION BLESSING

P (Please rise.) The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

A Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be hunger for justice; our alms, a making of peace; and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen

BLESSING

P The God of steadfastness and encouragement
grant you to live in harmony with one another,
in accordance with Christ Jesus.

C Amen

P The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing,
so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen

P The God of all grace bless you now and forever.

C Amen

SENDING OF COMMUNION MINISTERS *(If needed)*

L Let us Pray...

**C O God of tender compassion, as you healed the sick and welcomed the stranger,
bless those who leave this assembly to share the gifts of this table with our sisters
and brothers who are homebound. May they be sustained by the love and prayers
of this community, and by the Bread of life that satisfies all hunger, Jesus Christ our
Lord. Amen**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING HYMN

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

Red Book #324

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Remember the poor!

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

Wilbur Held

THOSE WHO SERVED US TODAY

- Presiding Minister** Pastor Bill Ruth
- Assisting Minister** Kathleen Reuter
- Acolyte** Kailyn Knoll
- Lectors** Susan McCready, Bill Reinheimer
- Communion Assistant** Susan McCready
- Usher/Greeter** Fox Family
- Altar Team**

Announcements

*Please use your “soft” voice during and following the Prelude,
as others may be in prayer and meditation.*

Thank you.

Confirmation Class with Pr. Bill Ruth after service at 10:45 am.

Choir Rehearsal after service at 10:45 am.

1st Communion Class will begin on February 22 at 10:45.

Ministry Meeting will be held on Sunday, March 8 at 1:00 pm.



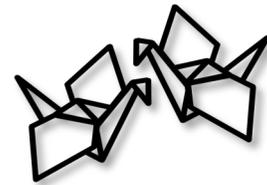
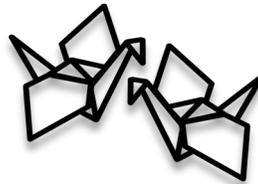
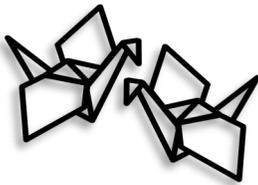
Wednesday Evening 7:00 pm *Vesper Services*

In this journey centered on scripture, we will discuss, meditate, and pray.
We will also sing and worship with a simple evening service.

Lead by Pr. Bill and assisted by Kathleen Reuter and Paula Kroeze,
this Lenten journey will draw you into deeper discipleship
as each week we focus on one key question of Jesus.

World Day of Prayer

The crane mobile in our sanctuary was created by women of this church in 2012. It is displayed annually in recognition of World Day of Prayer - the first Friday in March. Christian women of many traditions around our world initiated this ecumenical movement in 1887 to bring together women of various races, cultures and traditions in closer fellowship, understanding and action throughout the year. Women of a different nation annually design the World Day of Prayer theme, materials and art. See the poster on our kiosk for some history and visit www.wdp-usa.org/2015-bahamas/. The 2015 materials focus on the biblical text John 13:1–17. After washing the feet of his disciples, Jesus asks, “Do you understand what I have done for you?” The women of this year’s sponsor, The Bahamas, describe Jesus’ action as an act of “radical love.” Our cranes signify the rising of prayers to God. This mobile is traditionally displayed through Lent and Pentecost.



WEEKLY CALENDAR

MON 2	TUE 3	WED 4	THUR 5	FRI 6	SAT 7	SUN 8
ECHOES DEADLINE		7:00 am Men's Bible Study @ Mimi's	9:30 am Adult Bible Study with Pr. Roger	OFFICE CLOSED		9:30 am Communion Service 10:45 am Confirmation Class
						10:45 am 1st Communion Class 10:45 am Choir Rehearsal 1:00 pm Ministry Team Mtg.
7:30 pm Women's Bible Study @ M. Waggoner's	6:30 PFLAG Mtg.	7:00 pm Lenten Vesper Service				

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Date	Presiding Minister	Assistant Minister	Lectors	Communion Assist	Acolyte	Usher Greeter	Altar Care
Mar 8	Pastor Bill Ruth	Barbara Crawford	M Dieterich D Holtz	Mary Lou Dieterich	Allie Shank	Petersen Family	
Mar 15	Pastor Bill Ruth	Marilyn Rowland	B Crawford B Rokaitis	Beth Rokaitis	Allie Shank	Shank/ Skustad	
Mar 22	Pastor Bill Ruth	Bill Reinheimer	K Reuter M Epting	Dave Henke	Alora Skustad	Dieterich/ Reuter	

WEEKLY BIBLE READINGS

March 8 3rd Sunday of Lent	March 15 4th Sunday of Lent
Exodus 20:1-17 Psalm 19 1 Corinthians 1:18-25 John 2:13-22	Numbers 21:4-9 Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22 Ephesians 2:1-10 John 3:14-21



Prayer Requests

New Prayer Requests: Lexi Haley (Day Care infant)—healing and well-being (Marquez); John Berlin (Lori Skustad’s father) — healing (Skustad)

Our Members: Drew Shank; Ben Knoll; Lori Knoll; Susan Hayes; Dianne Santana; Carolyn Crenwelge; Bob Dailey; Marilyn Rowland

Our Homebound Members: Harvey Hardel, Florence Broden, Kay Altmas, Shelda Fritts; Alma Johnson, Esther Johnson

Our Family: Sharon & Harold (Owen); Meghan Ewald (Smith); Torrie & Nathan (Teaney); Marsha Schlipman (Nelson); Geraldine Walton (Hollmann); Ian McKenzie and Marian McKenzie (Schmidt); Steve Jeske (B. Norquist); Don Harlow (Virginia Dall’s son-in-law); Trevor Jeske (Steve’s son) (B. Norquist); Heide Brockmann (Petersen); Suzanne Stiver Lie (Reinheimer); Reta, Edgar, Bianca (Wise); Riegan family (Scott); Lisa Dieterich (Dieterich); Nicole and Doug Souza (Santana); Becky and Melissa (Ixcot); Alexandra & Gregory Taylor, and Joy Morgan (Scott); Angela Gufstafson (Dieterich); Joyce, Logans (Scott); Roy Harris (Dieterich)

Our Friends: Doyle Williams, Gene Loftis (Teaney); Nancy (Owen); Donna (Waggoner); Roger Warner (Schmidt); Kathy Laughton and Loy Rodriguez (Hardins); Donna Thayer (Petersen); Dr. Roger Vogelzang and family (Reinheimer); Kendra Pike (Schmidt); Helen Deve (Crawford); Juan Raza & Dennis Faught (Teaney)

We Pray for Peace in the Middle East, and for all those serving in our armed forces.

Ryan Dangerfield, USAF in Lakenheath Air Base, England and **Joey Sabel, USMC** in Louisville, Kentucky (Marilyn & Chuck Rowland’s grandson & grandson-in-law), **Timothy Kramer** in Afghanistan (Megan Armes’ brother), **Ryan Powell** (grandson of Yvonne Troedson) USN, Connecticut.

MARCH 1, 2015

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Led by Christ in our journey of repentance and moved by his compassion, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation. You are invited to kneel.

(Pause for silence.)

Lord God, you poured out your life on the cross for the sake of the world. Pour out your love through your church and make it a community of welcome and grace to all. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You stretched out your hand and created the heavens. We praise you for the sun, moon, and stars that mark our days and fill us with awe. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You rule over the nations. Uphold the work of international relief organizations, aid workers, and all who strive for peace in troubled parts of the world. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You fulfill your promises. Draw near to those who call on you for help. Open our eyes to the needs all around us and move us to respond in faith. We pray that you will gently touch with healing those who we name before you now, either silently or aloud. *(Pause for silence.)* Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You gift this assembly with music. We praise you for singers and instrumentalists, for those who compose melodies, those who write hymn texts, and for voices to use in praise of you. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Remember your covenant with us, and keep us faithful to you until we join with all the saints and angels around your heavenly throne. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen

Entrance Hymn #831

The God of Abraham Praise



- 1 The God of A - br'ham praise, who reigns en - throned a - bove;
- 2 The God of A - br'ham praise! At your su - preme com - mand
- 3 The God of A - br'ham praise! Your all - suf - fi - cient grace
- 4 Your prom - ise you have sworn; I on your oath de - pend.



An - cient of ev - er - last - ing days, and God of love—
from earth I rise and seek the joys at your right hand.
shall guide me all my pil - grim days in all my ways.
I shall, on ea - gle wings up - borne, to heav'n as - cend.



“I Am the One I Am”— by earth and heav'n con - fessed;
I all on earth for - sake— its wis - dom, fame, and pow'r—
You deign to call me friend; you call your - self my God!
I shall be - hold your face; I shall your pow'r a - dore,



I bow and bless the sa - cred name for - ev - er blest.
and you my on - ly por - tion make, my shield and tow'r.
And you will save me to the end through Je - sus' blood.
and sing the won - ders of your grace for - ev - er - more.

- 5 Though nature's strength decay,
and earth and hell withstand,
to Canaan's bounds I urge my way
at your command.
The wat'ry deep I pass,
with Jesus in my view,
and through the howling wilderness
my way pursue.
- 6 The goodly land I see,
with peace and plenty blest;
a land of sacred liberty
and endless rest.
There milk and honey flow,
and oil and wine abound,
and trees of life forever grow
with mercy crowned.
- 7 Before the great Three-One
the saints exulting stand
and tell the wonders God has done
through all their land.
The list'ning spheres attend
and swell the growing fame
and sing the songs which never end,
the wondrous name.
- 8 The whole triumphant host
give thanks to God on high.
“Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!”
they ever cry.
Hail, Abr'ham's God and mine!
I join the heav'nly lays:
to you be glory, might divine,
and endless praise!

Hymn of the Day #588

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy



1 There's a wide-ness in God's mer - cy, like the wide-ness of the sea;
2 There is wel - come for the sin - ner, and a prom - ised grace made good;
3 For the love of God is broad - er than the mea - sures of our mind;
4 'Tis not all we owe to Je - sus; it is some - thing more than all:



there's a kind - ness in God's jus - tice which is more than lib - er - ty.
there is mer - cy with the Sav - ior; there is heal - ing in his blood.
and the heart of the E - ter - nal is most won - der - ful - ly kind.
great - er good be - cause of e - vil, larg - er mer - cy through the fall.



There is no place where earth's sor - rows are more felt than up in heav'n.
There is grace e - nough for thou - sands of new worlds as great as this;
But we make this love too nar - row by false lim - its of our own;
Make our love, O God, more faith - ful; let us take you at your word,



There is no place where earth's fail - ings have such kind - ly judg - ment giv'n.
there is room for fresh cre - a - tions in that up - per home of bliss.
and we mag - ni - fy its strict - ness with a zeal God will not own.
and our lives will be thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of the Lord.

Text: Frederick W. Faber, 1814–1863, alt.
Music: LORD, REVIVE US, North American, 19th cent.

Sending Hymn #324

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

1 In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, tow'r - ing
2 When the woes of life o'er - take me, hopes de -
3 When the sun of bliss is beam - ing light and
4 Bane and bless - ing, pain and plea - sure, by the

o'er the wrecks of time. All the light of
ceive, and fears an - noy, nev - er shall the
love up - on my way, from the cross the
cross are sanc - ti - fied; peace is there that

sa - cred sto - ry gath - ers round its head sub - lime.
cross for - sake me; lo, it glows with peace and joy.
ra - diance stream - ing adds more lus - ter to the day.
knows no mea - sure, joys that through all time a - bide.

Text: John Bowring, 1792-1872
Music: RATHBUN, Ithamar Conkey, 1815-1867