



Order of Worship

Fourth Sunday in Lent, March 10, 2024

Welcome

Opening Song: LSB 814 O Bless the Lord, My Soul

O bless the Lord, my soul!
 Let all within me join
 And aid my tongue to bless His name
 Whose favors are divine.

2 O bless the Lord, my soul, Nor let His mercies lie Forgotten in unthankfulness And without praises die!

6 His wondrous works and ways He made by Moses known, But sent the world His truth and grace By His beloved Son.

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Lenten Monologues - Rebecca

Footnote: "Never let yourself think that you are wiser than you are; simply obey the LORD and refuse to do wrong. "Proverbs 3:7 (TEV)

Confession and Absolution

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.



(Please stand as you are able)

The Epistle Reading, Ephesians 2:1–10

And you were dead in the trespasses and sins ²in 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— ³among 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. ⁴But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, ⁵even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— ⁶and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ⁸For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹not a result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹⁰For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

■ This is the word of the Lord
■ Thanks be to God

(Please be seated)

Sermon - Saved By Grace! Thank God!

Sermon Hymn, Grace through Faith" (Eph.2:8-10) Lyrics by L. N. Lemond, Tune: Nettleton

1)By grace the Lord has saved us Through faith in Jesus Christ. By grace the Lord has saved us Through faith in Jesus Christ. Within us there is no righteousness; Grace is a gift from God above. God has blessed us with His goodness, His great mercy and His love. 2)We should not boast nor be prideful, For ourselves we cannot save. We were lost and broken creatures 'Til Christ won us from the grave. Now we must go forth to do His will Which He prepared for us to do: Tell our sisters and our brothers God's great love has saved them, too.

3) Amazing, just amazing Grace that saved a wretch like me. I was lost once but I'm found now; I was blind but now I see. Within us there is no righteousness; Grace is the gift that gives us life. By grace the Lord has saved us, Through faith in Jesus Christ.

(Please stand, as you are able)

Nicene Creed

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.

Peace of the Lord

(Please greet the people in your family group with God's peace, and extend to those near to you the peace with a wave.)

Prayers of the Church

Lord's Prayer

- P Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:
- 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.

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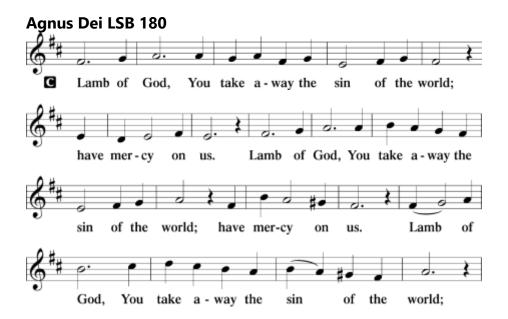
The Word of Our Lord

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 + 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

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.





Communion Distribution (Please be seated)

I Will Boast CCLI song # 4662350 Words and Music by Paul Baloche CCLI license

Verse: Let not the wise man boast in his wisdom

Or the strong man boast in his strength Let not the rich man boast in his riches But let the humble come and give thanks To the One Who made us The One Who saved us Chorus 1: I will boast in the Lord my God
I will boast in the One Who's worthy
I will boast in the Lord my God
I will boast in the One Who's worthy
He's worthy!

Repeat Verse

Chorus 2: I will boast in the Lord my God
I will boast in the One Who's worthy
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I will boast in the One Who's worthy
He's worthy!

Bridge: I will make my boast in Christ alone! 4X **Chorus 2 and end with** "He's worthy!" 2X

566 By Grace I'm Saved

1 By grace I'm saved, grace free and boundless;

My soul, believe and doubt it not.
Why stagger at this word of promise?
Has Scripture ever falsehood taught?
No! Then this word must true remain:
By grace you too will life obtain.

By grace! None dare lay claim to merit; Our works and conduct have no worth. God in His love sent our Redeemer, Christ Jesus, to this sinful earth; His death did for our sins atone, And we are saved by grace alone.

- By grace God's Son, our only Savior,
 Came down to earth to bear our sin.
 Was it because of your own merit
 That Jesus died your soul to win?
 No, it was grace, and grace alone,
 That brought Him from His heav'nly throne.
- By grace to timid hearts that tremble,
 In tribulation's furnace tried,
 By grace, in spite of fear and trouble,
 The Father's heart is open wide.
 Where could I help and strength secure
 If grace were not my anchor sure?

By grace! This ground of faith is certain;
As long as God is true, it stands.
What saints have penned by inspiration,
What in His Word our God commands,
Our faith in what our God has done
Depends on grace—grace through His Son.

By grace! On this I'll rest when dying;
In Jesus' promise I rejoice;
For though I know my heart's condition,
I also know my Savior's voice.
My heart is glad, all grief has flown
Since I am saved by grace alone.

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862 Oh, Blest the House

1 Oh, blest the house, whate'er befall, Where Jesus Christ is all in all!
A home that is not wholly His—
How sad and poor and dark it is!

3 Oh, blest the parents who give heed Unto their children's foremost need And weary not of care or cost. May none to them and heav'n be lost! 2 Oh, blest that house where faith is found And all in hope and love abound; They trust their God and serve Him still And do in all His holy will!

4 Oh, blest that house; it prospers well. In peace and joy the parents dwell, And in their children's lives is shown How richly God can bless His own.

5 Then here will I and mine today A solemn promise make and say: Though all the world forsake His Word, I and my house will serve the Lord!

Post Communion Canticle "Give Thanks" (Henry Smith)

Give Thanks with a grateful heart, Give Thanks to the Holy One, Give Thanks because he's given Jesus Christ His Son

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And now let the weak say I am strong, let the poor say I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us.

And now let the weak say I am strong, let the poor say I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us, Give Thanks

Post-Communion Collect

Let us pray.

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

G Amen

Benedicamus and Benediction

- **P** Let us bless the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.
- The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look upon you with favor and

 → give you peace.
- C Amen.
- **P** Go in peace!
- **G** Serve the Lord
- P Let us bless the Lord
- Thanks be to God

Closing Song Indescribable

1) From the highest of heights
To the depths of the sea
Creation's revealing Your majesty
From the colors of Fall
To the fragrance of Spring
Ev'ry creature unique
In the song that it sings
All exclaiming . . .

Indescribable, uncontainable
You placed the stars in the sky
And You know them by name
You are amazing, God
All powerful, untamable
Awestruck we fall to our knees
As we humbly proclaim
You are amazing, God

2) Who has told ev'ry lightning bolt Where it should go? Or seen heavenly storehouses Laden with snow? Who imagined the sun And gives source to its light? Yet conceals it to bring us The coolness of night None can fathom . . .

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You are amazing, God (pause)
You are amazing, God

(Short instrumental segue)

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Indescribable, uncontainable You placed the stars in the sky And You know them by name You are amazing, God Incomparable, unchangeable You see the depths of my heart And You love me the same You are amazing, God (pause) You are amazing, God

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