

Jesus was
led up
by the Spirit
into the
wilderness

MATTHEW 4:1

1st Sunday in Lent

March 1, 2020 10:00 am

Spanaway Lutheran Church

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Before worship, speak to God in prayer.

During worship, listen to God.

After worship, speak to each other.

PLEASE SILENCE ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES DURING WORSHIP.

***Welcome To Our Worship.** For visitors, we welcome you and hope you will feel “at home” among us and our Lord Jesus Christ. Our Family Room is available to welcome parents and children before or during worship. It is located to the left of the sanctuary. Listening devices are available; please inquire of the ushers.*

***Prayer Requests and Announcements.** If you have a prayer request this morning, or wish for Pastor to make an announcement for you, please use the prayer cards provided in the blue folder and hand the completed card to an usher. If you wish to make an announcement yourself, please check with the Pastor or the Council President for approval prior to worship. Always use a microphone to accommodate those with impaired hearing. Thank you.*

INTRODUCTION

Today's gospel tells of Jesus' temptation in the desert. His forty-day fast becomes the basis of our Lenten pilgrimage. In the early church Lent was a time of intense preparation for those to be baptized at the Easter Vigil. This catechetical focus on the meaning of faith is at the heart of our Lenten journey to the baptismal waters of Easter. Hungry for God's mercy, we receive the bread of life to nourish us for the days ahead.

First Reading: Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

Human beings were formed with great care, to be in relationship with the creator, creation, and one another. The serpent's promise to the first couple that their eyes would be opened led, ironically, to the discovery only that they were naked.

Second Reading: Romans 5:12-19

Through Adam's disobedience, humanity came under bondage to sin and death, from which we cannot free ourselves. In Christ's obedient death, God graciously showers on us the free gift of liberation and life.

Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11

Jesus experiences anew the temptations that Israel faced in the wilderness. As the Son of God, he endures the testing of the evil one.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

- Ushers collect prayer requests and announcements -

STAND FOR THE CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS, IF YOU CAN COMFORTABLY DO SO.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who is present, who gives life, who calls into existence the things that do not exist.

C Amen.

A If you were to keep watch over sins, O Lord, who could stand? Yet with you is forgiveness, and so we confess.

- Silence is kept for reflection -

A Gracious God,

C have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned away from you, knowingly and unknowingly. We have wandered from your resurrection life. We have strayed from your love for all people. Turn us back to you, O God. Give us new hearts and right spirits, that we may find what is pleasing to you and dwell in your house forever. Amen.

P Receive good news: God turns to you in love. “I will put my spirit in you, and you shall live,” says our God. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ and by His authority I declare to you the forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, † and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

GATHERING HYMN *O Lord, throughout These Forty Days* ELW 319

1 O Lord, through - out these for - ty days you
2 You strove with Sa - tan, and you won; your
3 Though parched and hun - gry, yet you prayed and
4 Be with us through this sea - son, Lord, and

prayed and kept the fast; in - spire re - pen - tance
faith - ful - ness en - dured; lend us your nerve, your
fixed your mind a - bove; so teach us to de -
all our earth - ly days, that when the fi - nal

for our sin, and free us from our past.
skill and trust in God's e - ter - nal word.
ny our - selves that we may know God's love.
Eas - ter dawns, we join in heav - en's praise.

GREETING

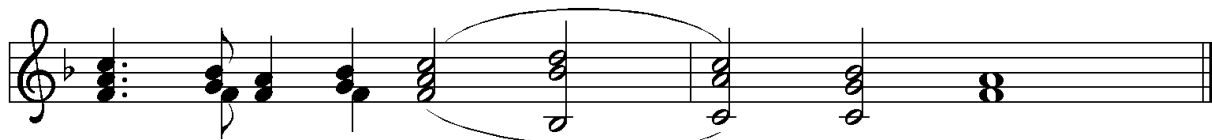
P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

KYRIE



1, 3 Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.
2 Chris - te e - lei - son. Chris - te e - lei - son.
1, 3 Lord, . . . have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.
2 Christ, . . . have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.



Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.
Chris - te e - lei - son.
Lord, . . . have mer - cy.
Christ, . . . have mer - cy.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. Lord God, our strength, the struggle between good and evil rages within and around us, and the devil and all the forces that defy you tempt us with empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your word, and when we fall, raise us again and restore us through 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.

BE SEATED FOLLOWING THE PRAYER OF THE DAY.

FIRST LESSON

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

¹⁵The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it.

¹⁶And the LORD God commanded the man, “You may freely eat of every tree of the garden;

¹⁷but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.”

^{3:1}Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God say, ‘You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?’” ²The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; ³but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the

garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.’ ” ⁴But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not die; ⁵for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” ⁶So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. ⁷Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 32

¹Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven,
whose sin is covered.

**²Happy are those to whom the LORD imputes no iniquity,
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.**

³While I kept silence, my body wasted away
through my groaning all day long.

**⁴For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;
my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.**

⁵Then I acknowledged my sin to you,
and I did not hide my iniquity;

**I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,"
and you forgave the guilt of my sin.**

⁶Therefore let all who are faithful
offer prayer to you;

**at a time of distress, the rush of mighty waters
shall not reach them.**

⁷You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with glad cries of deliverance.

**⁸I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go;
I will counsel you with my eye upon you.**

⁹Do not be like a horse or a mule, without understanding,
whose temper must be curbed with bit and bridle,
else it will not stay near you.

**¹⁰Many are the torments of the wicked,
but steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the LORD.**

¹¹Be glad in the LORD and rejoice, O righteous,
and shout for joy, all you upright in heart.

SECOND LESSON

Romans 5:12-19

¹²Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned—¹³sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. ¹⁴Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.

¹⁵But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. ¹⁶And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. ¹⁷If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

¹⁸Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. ¹⁹For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Lydia Wise

STAND FOR THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION, IF YOU CAN COMFORTABLY DO SO.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *(repeat once)*



Re - turn to God with all your heart, the source of grace and
mer - cy; come seek the ten - der faith - ful - ness of God.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 4th chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 4:1-11

¹Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ²He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. ³The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." ⁴But he

answered, "It is written,

'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.' "

⁵Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, ⁶saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

'He will command his angels concerning you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.' "

⁷Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.' "

⁸Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; ⁹and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." ¹⁰Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written,

'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.' "

¹¹Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

BE SEATED FOR THE SERMON.

SERMON

Pastor John Schier-Hanson

STAND FOR THE HYMN OF THE DAY, IF YOU CAN COMFORTABLY DO SO.

HYMN OF THE DAY

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

ELW 504



1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -
2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -
3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat -'ning to de -
4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who



to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and
ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom
your us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they
fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with



wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe
 God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?
 can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;
 weap-ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,

has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might
 The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,
 in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;
 goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,

he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.
 God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.
 God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.
 they can - not win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

NICENE CREED

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.

*“catholic” means “universal”

BE SEATED FOR THE PRAYERS.

THE PRAYERS

A Turning our hearts to God who is gracious and merciful, we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

God of the wilderness, we pray for the church. Lead us in showing grace and hospitality to all who struggle with doubt or shame. Make your church holy ground where all people can be seen and loved for who you have created them to be.

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We pray for creation. Father, you show your glory in deserts and on mountaintops, and we respond by squandering exploiting the gifts we are called to steward for the generations to come. Break our hardened hearts so that we may realize the irreversible damage we are wreaking on the earth. Forgive us for our desire to dominate creation instead of serving as faithful stewards and caretakers. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the nations. Liberate nations from leaders who think they are above the law. Liberate leaders and governments from the temptation to exercise unjust dominion over those whom they are called to lead and serve. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those in need. Sustain those who are hungry and alone, those who are anxious, those facing difficult decisions, and those facing a recent diagnosis or new grief. We pray especially for Kim Cleveland, Dave Pearcy, the family of Audrey Charles, Lenville Sutherland, Angie Rivera, **Sophia Schier-Hanson, Justin & Adri Wright Osborn, Glen Ruediger, Peg Schlotman, Patrick Adix**, Donna Johnson, Anne Marie Bessette and family, Mitchell Martinson, Michael Luberts, and all we now mention before you (*brief pause*). Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We thank you for putting new songs on our lips and in our hearts. Hear our voices as we join in songs of lament and praise. We give thanks for musicians, composers, and poets (*especially George Herbert; Cheryl Drewes, our Church Choir, Steve Howe & the Music Team*). Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We praise you for bringing us through the desert into the promised land of your kingdom. We give thanks for saints who have guided us in times of trial and joy. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

P According to your steadfast love, O God, hear these and all our prayers as we commend them to you; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

STAND TO SHARE THE PEACE, IF YOU CAN COMFORTABLY DO SO.

THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

BE SEATED FOR THE OFFERING.

OFFERING

Kyrie by ANTONIN DVORAK, ARR. JAY ROUSE

Choir

STAND FOR THE OFFERTORY, IF YOU CAN COMFORTABLY DO SO.

OFFERTORY HYMN

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God,

6 and re-new a right spir-it with - in me. Cre-

10 ate in me a clean heart O God,

14 and re-new a right Spir-it with - in me.

18 Cast me not a - way from your pres-ence, O

21 Lord, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me.

25 Re - store un - to me the joy of your sal -

29 va-tion, and re-new a right spir-it with-in me.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Let us pray. Holy and generous host,

C you set a table where we feast as friends. Prepare us to witness to your goodness with every gift you have given us to share, that all people may know your peace through Jesus Christ, now and forever. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

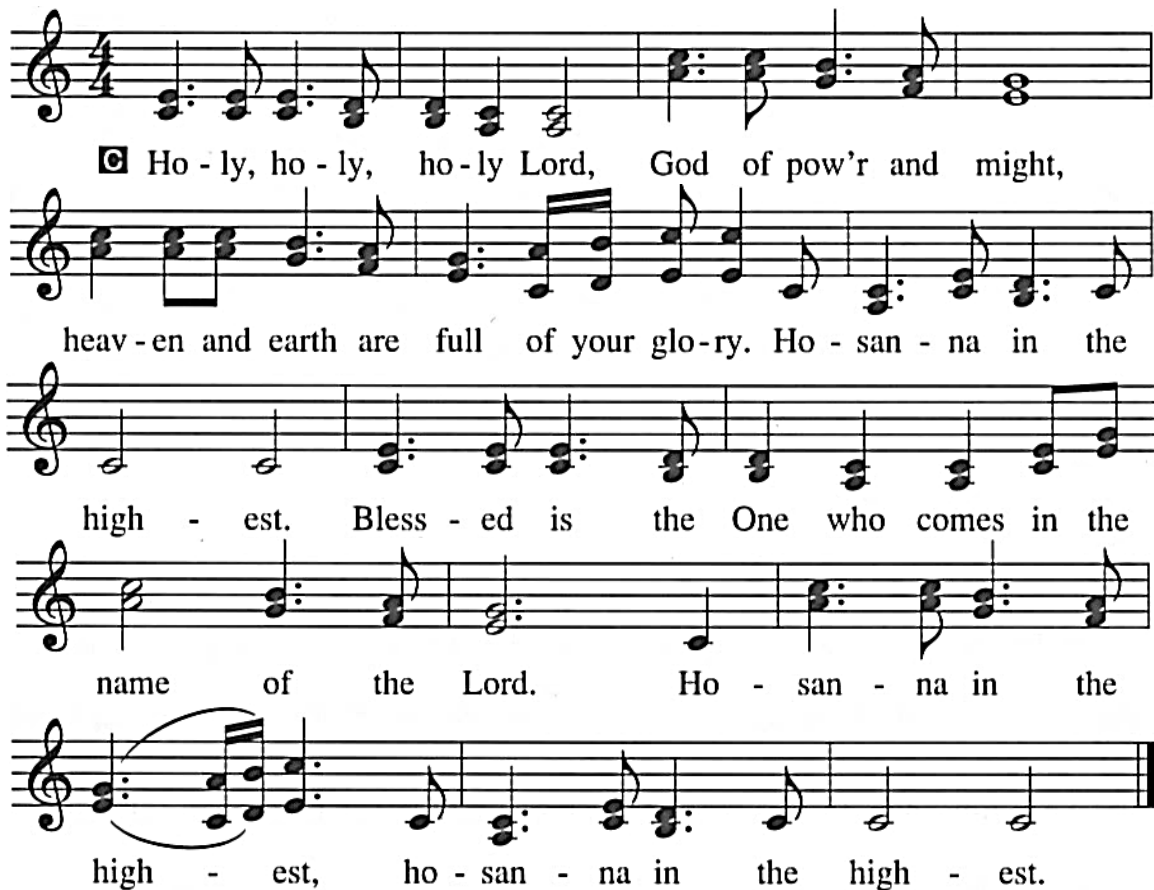
P The Lord be with you. **C** And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts. **C** We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. You bid your people cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast. Renew our zeal in faith and life, and bring us to the fullness of grace that belongs to the children of God. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



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 in the
 high - est. Bless - ed is the One who comes in the
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
 high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

P Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth.

In mercy of our fallen world you gave your only Son,
 that all those who believe in him should not perish,
 but have eternal life.

We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us
 through Jesus Christ.

Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts,
 that we may receive our Lord with a living faith
 as he comes to us in his holy supper.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P 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 for all
people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.*

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

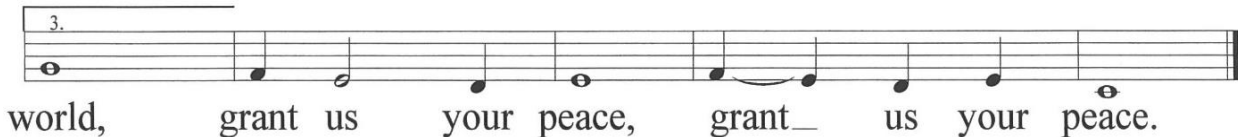
P God's love is poured out in Christ for you.
Open yourselves to receive it.

BE SEATED.

We invite all who are baptized and believe that Christ is truly present to come to His table to commune. When we celebrate the Lord's Supper we receive the wine from a pouring chalice. Those who desire to receive wine bring an empty cup from the trays in front of the altar and wine is poured from the pouring chalice. Those desiring grape juice should bring a cup filled with juice from the trays to the altar rail. A gluten free option is available in place of the bread, let the ministers know at the altar rail. As the ministers give the bread and wine, they say these words to each communicant:

*The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.
The communicant may say: **Amen.***

LAMB OF GOD



COMMUNION HYMNS

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly

ELW 461



- 1 All who hun-ger, gath-er glad - ly; ho - ly man - na is our bread.
- 2 All who hun-ger, nev - er strang - ers; seek - er, be a wel - come guest.
- 3 All who hun-ger, sing to - geth - er, Je - sus Christ is liv - ing bread.



Come from wil - der - ness and wan - d'ring. Here in truth we will be fed.
Come from rest - less - ness and roam - ing. Here in joy we keep the feast.
Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing. Here in peace we have been fed.



You that yearn for days of full - ness, all a - round us is our food.
We that once were lost and scat - tered in com - mu - nion's love have stood.
Blest are those who from this ta - ble live their days in grat - i - tude.



Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.
Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.
Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

ELW 325



1 I want Je - sus to walk with me;
2 In my tri - als, Lord, walk with me;
3 When I'm in trou - ble, Lord, walk with me;



I want Je - sus to walk with me;
in my tri - als, Lord, walk with me;
when I'm in trou - ble, Lord, walk with me;



all a - long my pil - grim jour - ney,
when my heart is al - most break - ing,
when my head is bowed in sor - row,



Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.
Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.
Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.

Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song

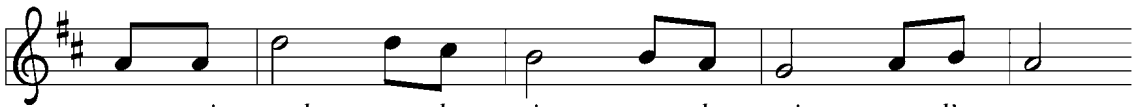
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1 *Jé - sus, je vou - drais te chan - ter sur ma rou - te;*
1 Lord Je - sus, you shall be my song as I jour - ney;
2 Lord Je - sus, I'll praise you as long as I jour - ney.
3 As long as I live, Je - sus, make me your ser - vant,
4 I fear in the dark and the doubt of my jour - ney;



Jé - sus, je vou - drais t'an - non - cer à mes voi - sins par - tout,
I'll tell ev - 'ry - bod - y a - bout you wher - ev - er I go:
May all of my joy be a faith - ful re - flec - tion of you.
to car - ry your cross and to share all your bur - dens and tears.
but cour - age will come with the sound of your steps by my side.



car toi seul es la vie et la paix et l'a - mour:
you a - lone are our life and our peace and our love.
May the earth and the sea and the sky join my song.
For you saved me by giv - ing your bod - y and blood.
And with all of the fam - 'ly you saved by your love,



Jé - sus, je vou - drais te chan - ter sur ma rou - te.
Lord Je - sus, you shall be my song as I jour - ney.
Lord Je - sus, I'll praise you as long as I jour - ney.
As long as I live, Je - sus, make me your ser - vant.
we'll sing to your dawn at the end of our jour - ney.

STAND FOR THE BLESSING, IF YOU CAN COMFORTABLY DO SO.

BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

P The body of our Lord Jesus Christ and His most precious blood strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

C Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

A Let us pray. We thank you, living God, for the body and blood of your Son, which sustains us in the wilderness and the garden alike. As Christ has loved us in this feast, so send us to love Christ in our neighbors. In Jesus' name we pray.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

P Now is the acceptable time. Now is the day of salvation. Holy God, speaking, spoken, and inspiring, † bless you, unbind you, and send you in love and in peace.

C Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

STAND FOR THE SENDING HYMN, IF YOU CAN COMFORTABLY DO SO.

SENDING HYMN

Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer

ELW 618

1 Guide me ev - er, great Re - deem - er, pil - grim through this
2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain where the heal - ing
3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land. I am weak, but you are might - y; hold me
wa - ters flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me
fears sub - side; death of death and hell's de - struc - tion, land me

with your pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,
all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - 'rer, strong de - liv - 'rer,
safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs and prais - es, songs and prais - es

feed me now and ev - er - more, ev - er - more, feed me now and ev - er - more.
shield me with your might - y arm, might - y arm, shield me with your might - y arm.
I will raise for - ev - er - more, ev - er - more, I will raise for - ev - er - more.

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Share the good news.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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| Greeters | Manuela Simone |
| Ushers..... | Kevin Shearer and tba |
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