Lutheran Church of Our Savior

Attention! We're grateful for the continued presence of our Lord's Word in our midst and sincerely hope that you will find this recorded *liturgical service* to be a blessing as we navigate the circumstances of this present time, in unity of faith with the church of the past, the church in heaven, and with the church of the present—with whom we share the blessings of God's comforting Word today.

<u>CONGREGATIONAL LIFE & THE CORONAVIRUS</u> ... In keeping with the recent countywide moratorium on gatherings issued by the Santa Clara County Department of Public Health on Friday March 13th, service this Sunday has been cancelled. In place of regular Sunday Service gathering, a Service of the Word has been made available on the LCOS podcast page of the congregation's website for members to receive the edification of the Lord's Word from home. Forthcoming Sunday Services will be decided upon by the Pastors and Board of Elders in the days to come. There will be a joint meeting of the Board of Directors with the Board of Elders at the scheduled time on Tuesday evening for determination of forthcoming congregational activity. For announcements regarding LCOS activities, please consult the website: *lcos.org*.

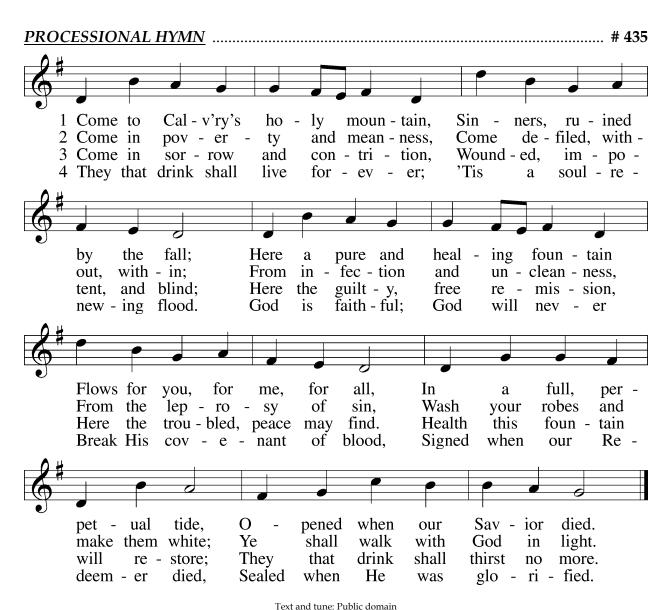
We Worship The Father of Our Lord Jesus Christ in the Spirit and Truth of His Gospel

Summary of Scripture Lessons for the Day

Though the Lord had brought them out of Egypt, "all the congregation of the people of Israel" grumbled against Him because "there was no water for the people to drink" (Ex. 17:1). Despite their quarreling, the Lord graciously provided for them. He did not strike the people for their sins, but by the hand of Moses He struck the rock instead and brought forth water for the people. In the same way, living water flows from the pierced side of Christ at "about the sixth hour" (John 4:6; 19:14), when He is lifted up on the cross for the sins of the world. He is "the gift of God" (John 4:10), the well from which the Holy Spirit is poured out and becomes in His people "a spring of water welling up to eternal life" (John 4:14). By this grace in which we stand, being at peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, we "worship the Father in spirit and truth" (John 4:23). "We rejoice in hope of the glory of God" because "God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us" (Rom. 5:2, 5).

+ DIVINE SERVICE + Setting One

PRELUDE



INVOCATION Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]

- \blacksquare In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

EXHORTATION 1 John 1:8-9

- **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.

(Silence for reflection on God's Word, our sins, and His promise of Absolution)

CONFESSION OF SINS

- **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.

DECLARATION OF GRACE

John 1:12; Philippians 1:6

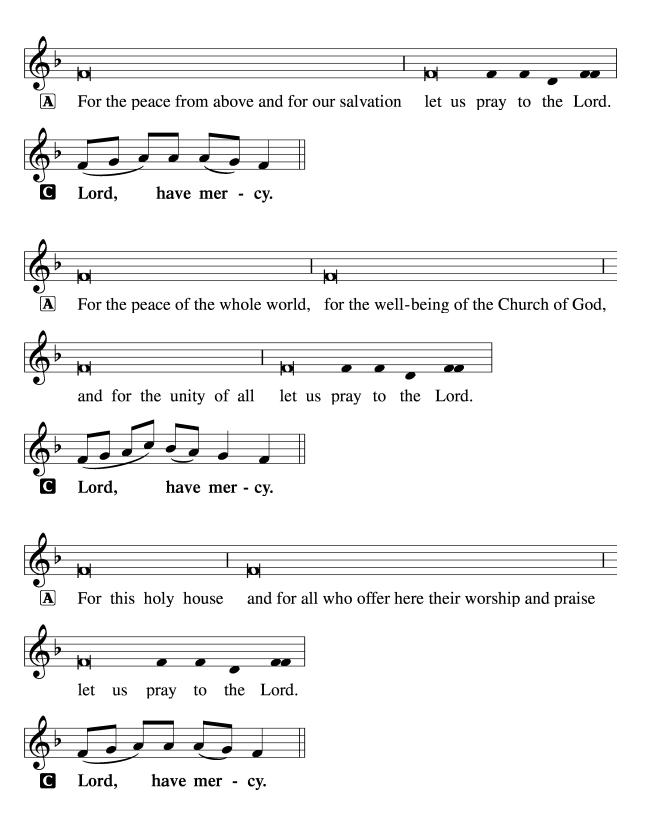
- In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- C Amen.

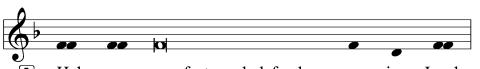


- P Blessèd are those whose strength is | in you,* in whose heart are the highways to | Zion.
- How lovely is your | dwelling place,*
 O | Lord of hosts!
- **P** My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts | of the Lord;* my heart and flesh sing for joy to the | living God.
- Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may | lay her young,* at your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King | and my God.
- P Blessèd are those who dwell | in your house,* ever sing- | ing your praise!
- Glory be to the Father and | to the Son* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
- P Blessèd are those whose strength is | in you,* in whose heart are the highways to | Zion.



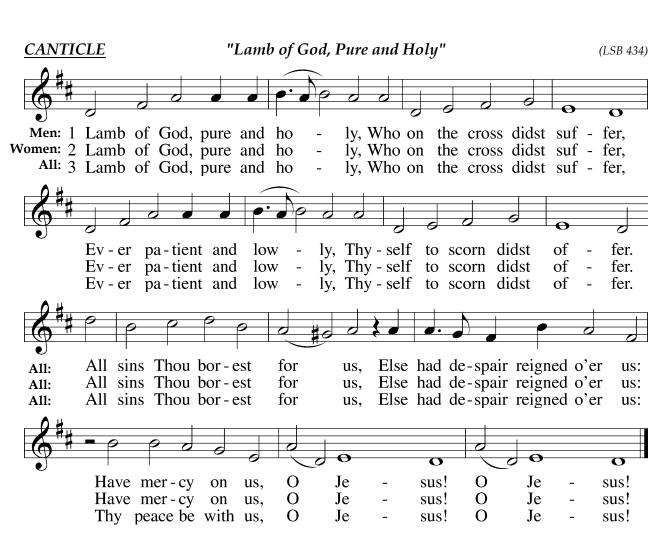
Mark 10:47





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





SALUTATION 2 Timothy 4:22



COLLECT OF THE DAY

P O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

READINGS OF HOLY SCRIPTURE (printed on back cover of service folder)

After first & second readings: **P** This is the Word of the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.

Old Testament: Exodus 17:1-7

¹All the congregation of the people of Israel moved on from the wilderness of Sin by stages, according to the commandment of the Lord, and camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ²Therefore the people quarreled with Moses and said, "Give us water to drink." And Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?" ³But the people thirsted there for water, and the people grumbled against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?" ⁴So Moses cried to the Lord, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." ⁵And the Lord said to Moses, "Pass on before the people, taking with you some of the elders of Israel, and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. ⁶Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock at Horeb, and you shall strike the rock, and water shall come out of it, and the people will drink." And Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. ⁷And he called the name of the place Massah and Meribah, because of the quarreling of the people of Israel, and because they tested the Lord by saying, "Is the Lord among us or not?"

Gradual: Hebrews 12:2

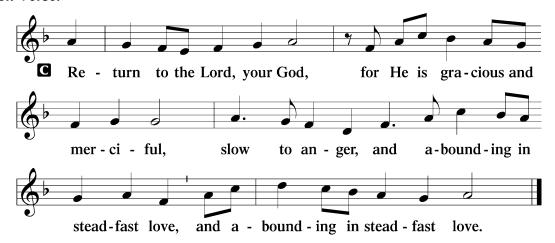
[O come, let us fix our eyes on] | Jesus,*
the founder and perfecter | of our faith,
who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despis- | ing the shame,*
and is seated at the right hand of the | throne of God.

Epistle: Romans 5:1-8

¹Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. ²Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. ³More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

⁶For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— ⁸but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Lenten Verse:



Holy Gospel:

P *The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourth chapter.*



⁵[Jesus] came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the field that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. ⁶Jacob's well was there; so Jesus, wearied as he was from his journey, was sitting beside the well. It was about the sixth hour.

There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." ⁸(For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) ⁹The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) ¹⁰Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." ¹¹The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? ¹²Are you greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock." ¹³Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, ¹⁴but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty forever. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." ¹⁵The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water."

¹⁶Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." ¹⁷The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; ¹⁸for you have had five husbands, and the one you now have is not your husband. What you have said is true." ¹⁹The woman said to him, "Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. ²⁰Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, but you say that in Jerusalem is the place where people ought to worship." ²¹Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. ²²You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. ²³But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. ²⁴God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." ²⁵The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ). When he comes, he will tell us all things." ²⁶Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am he."

P *This is the Gospel of the Lord.*



THE CREED ~ 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.

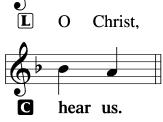


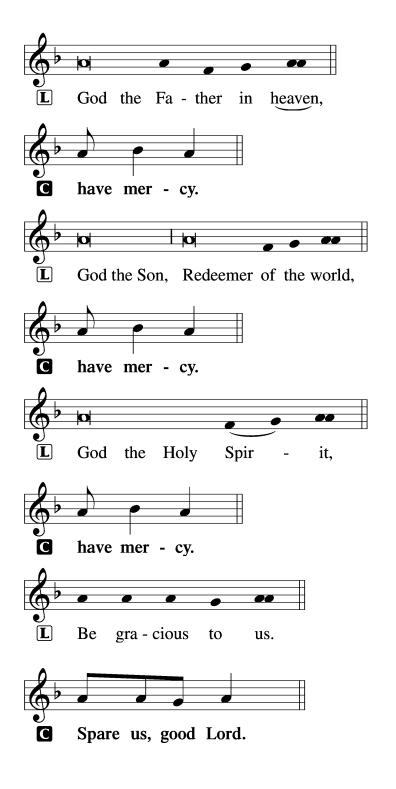
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SERMON

"The Solvent of Life" – John 4:5-26

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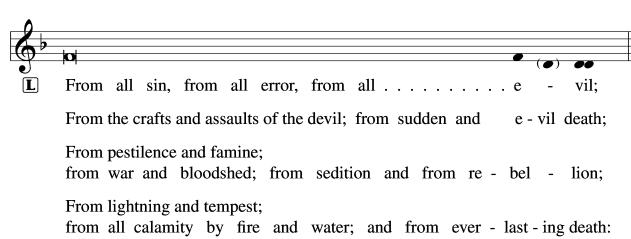




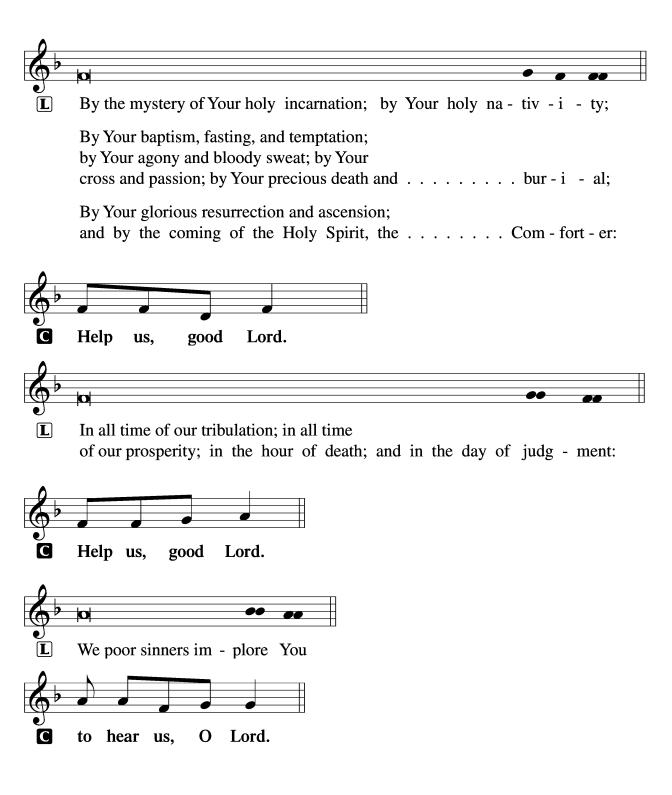


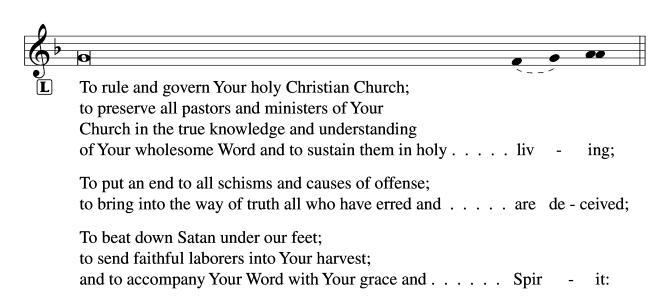


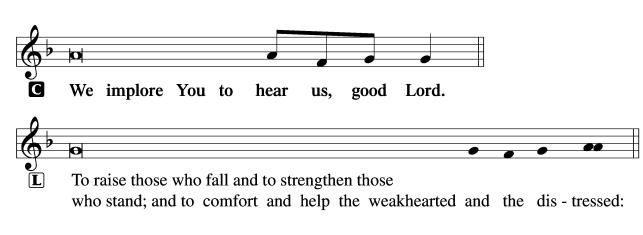
C Help us, good Lord.



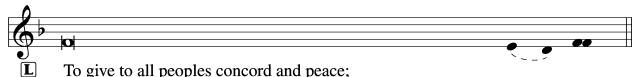












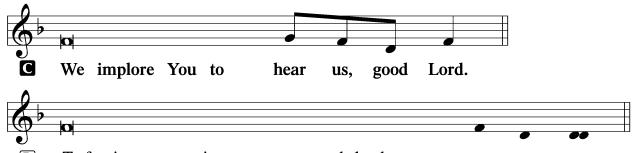
to give to an people's concord and peace; to preserve our land from discord and strife; to give our country Your protection in every time of need;

To direct and defend our *president/queen/king* and all in authority; to bless and protect our magistrates and all our peo - ple

To watch over and help all who are in danger, necessity, and tribulation; to protect and guide all who trav - el;

To grant all women with child, and all mothers with infant children, increasing happiness in their blessings; to defend all orphans and widows and pro-vide for them;

To strengthen and keep all sick persons and young children; to free those in bondage; and to have mercy on us all:



To forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers and to turn their hearts; to give and preserve for our use the kindly fruits of the earth; and graciously to hear our prayers:







(*notes brief pause as bell tone rings, after which the Prayer continues)

*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.*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

After each petition:

P "Lord, in Your mercy"

" or

P "Let us pray to the Lord,"

"Hear our prayer."

C "Lord, have mercy."

COLLECT

P Lord God, You have called Your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go but only that Your hand is leading us and Your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

O LORD, ENTER NOT...

- **P** O Lord, enter not into judgment with Your servant.
- **©** For in Your sight shall no man living be justified.
- P Almighty God, You know we live in the midst of so many dangers that in our frailty we cannot stand upright. Grant strength and protection to support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

CALL ON ME...

- **P** *Call on Me in the day of trouble.*
- I will deliver you, and you will glorify Me.
- P Spare us, O Lord, and mercifully forgive us our sins. Though by our continual transgressions we have merited Your chastisements, be gracious to us. Grant that all these punishments which we have deserved may not come upon us, but that all things may work to our everlasting good; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

BENEDICTIONNumbers 6:24–26



P 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.





- 5 Oh, how blest it is to know:
 Were as scarlet my transgression,
 It shall be as white as snow
 By Thy blood and bitter passion;
 For these words I now believe:
 Jesus sinners doth receive.
- 6 Now my conscience is at peace; From the Law I stand acquitted. Christ hath purchased my release And my ev'ry sin remitted. Naught remains my soul to grieve: Jesus sinners doth receive.
- Jesus sinners doth receive;
 Also I have been forgiven;
 And when I this earth must leave,
 I shall find an open heaven.
 Dying, still to Him I cleave:
 Jesus sinners doth receive.

Announcements

♦ All Sunday Christian Education Classes on Temporary Haitus ♦

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Tues: 9:00 am – Lutheran Braille Workers

7:30 pm - Joint Board of Directors/Elders Meeting - Meets in Fireside Room

Wed: 10:30 am – LENTEN MIDWEEK SERVICE

6:00 pm — Catechesis/Confirmation – Meets in Fireside Room

7:30 pm – LENTEN MIDWEEK SERVICE

Thur: 10:30 am — All Saints Bible Class – Meets in Parish Hall

<u>REMEMBERING IN OUR PRAYERS</u> ... The Lord bids us pray for one another (1 Tim. 2:1; Jms. 5:16); therefore we remember in our prayers all who are currently impacted by the spread of the coronavirus.

<u>PORTALS OF PRAYER</u> ... The 2020 April-June issue of *Portals of Prayer* is available in the Narthex during office hours next week.

Lenten Midweek Services

Theme: "Learning of Christ through the Bible Stories of Old"

- ♦ 3/4 Abraham and Isaac
- ♦ 3/11 Moses and the Bronze Serpent
- ♦ 3/18 Gideon
- ♦ 3/25 David and Goliath
- \blacklozenge 4/1 The Passover and the Exodus

Wednesday Midweek Lenten Services 10:30 a.m. & 7:30 p.m.

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