

4TH SUNDAY IN LENT ~ March 14, 2021

Worship 10:00 am

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GATHERING - Prelude “Amazing Grace”

Welcome & Announcements

Sign of the Cross

P: Blessed be God, Creator, ✙ Son, and Holy Spirit, whose forgiveness is sure and whose steadfast love endures forever.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION SONG “Lamb of God”

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✙ one God, the keeper of the covenant, the source of steadfast love, our rock and our redeemer.

C: Amen.

P: God hears us when we cry, and draws us close in Jesus Christ. Let us return to the one who is full of compassion.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Fountain of living water,

C: pour out your mercy over us.

Our sin is heavy, and we long to be free.

Rebuild what we have ruined

and mend what we have torn.

Wash us in your cleansing flood.

Make us alive in the Spirit

to follow in the way of Jesus,

as healers and restorers of the world you so love.

Amen.

P: Beloved, God’s word never fails. The promise rests on grace: by the saving love of Jesus Christ, the wisdom and power of God, your sins are ✙ forgiven, and God remembers them no more. Journey in the way of Jesus.

C: Amen.

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.

Prayer of the Day

P: O God, rich in mercy,

C: by the humiliation of your Son you lifted up this fallen world and rescued us from the hopelessness of death. Lead us into your light, that all our deeds may reflect your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Sharing Christ's Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

WORD

1st Reading – Numbers 21:4-9

R: Word of God, Word of Life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

2nd Reading – Ephesians 2:1-10

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Young People's Message

Gospel – John 3:14-21

P: The gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

The Message – Pastor Lou Peters

HYMN OF THE DAY – “God, Loved the World”

Affirmation of Faith: Apostle's Creed

P: Siblings in Christ, we are invited to join our voices with the voice of the whole Church on earth as we profess what we believe as Christians:

C: We believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

We believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

We 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.

Offering *Thank you for your on-going gifts and for being the generous people who support the mission & ministry of our congregation.*

Offering Prayer

P: Faithful God,

C: you walk beside us in desert places, and you meet us in our hunger with bread from heaven. Accompany us in this meal, that we may pass over from death to life with Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Prayers of the Church

P: Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

MEAL

The 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 God thanks and praise.**

Communion Prayer

Blessing of the Gifts (*1 Corinthians 11:23-26*)

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.**

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Communion Blessing

Communion Prayer

P: God of steadfast love,

**C: at this table you gather your people into one body for the sake of the world.
Send us in the power of your Spirit, that our lives bear witness to the love
that has made us new in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Benediction

*P: You are what God made you to be: created in Christ Jesus for good works,
chosen as holy and beloved, freed to serve your neighbor. God bless you ☩ that
you may be a blessing, in the name of the holy and life-giving Trinity. C: Amen.*

SENDING SONG – “For By Grace You Have Been Saved”

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Share the good news.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

We Pray for:

*Andrew (Pastor Lou), Joel Cederberg, Dori Dodson (Chelsea Morehead),
Dennis & Barbara Franke, Jackie (Nancy), Cynthia Holmberg (Nancy),
Clarice Moore (Gary Walker), Lois Niewohner, Janice Ostnes,
Ariana Preshaw, Victoria Raquepaw’s cousin, Susan & her son Mato,
Ashley & Sherri Stephens, Stephens Family in their loss of Laura (Babe)..*

Our Prayer Partner Church: Sitka Lutheran Church, Sitka



Altar Flowers: In Celebration of 40th Wedding anniversary, Lois & Phil Heine.

Greeter: Sonja Campbell **Reader:**

Communion: Janice Ostnes

Announcements

MONDAY (3/15) Foodbank, 1:00pm help offload foodboxes for clients at church.

Mary Martha Women’s Bible Study, 6:15pm at church & Zoom.
Lois Heine is contact person.

Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84196060748?pwd=amlxSG9tZDg3TE1mZHVkM1k2bTJHUT09>

TUESDAY (3/16) Miriam’s Circle Women’s Bible Study, 2:00pm at the church.

Council Meeting, 6:00pm. Electing officers for coming year.

WEDNESDAY (3/17) Midweek Lenten Service, 7:00pm In-person, Facebook and Zoom.

Lenten Service Project - We are currently collecting for **SOAP – Street Outreach Advocacy Program** for at risk and homeless youth ages 10-21 years. They are asking for Diapers and Toddler socks (size 4 on both), Canned goods, Snack cups (fruit & pudding) and Peanut Butter, Jelly and Bread.

Bring items to church or call office to make arrangements.

Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86163216832?pwd=QzIxNWVLaGdvYmFEU0phc1VmNnUwUT09>

Room ID: 861 6321 6832 Password: 914428

THURSDAY (3/18) Mitten Makers for Stone Soup Café. Our group made 28 pairs of mittens so far. Anyone want to join us to cut and sew? We meet on **Thursdays, 1-4pm.** Arlene O. 474-0072.

LENT WORSHIP this year is service-oriented with weekly service projects.

We have donated to the Women's Shelter, Stone Soup Café, The Door and to SOAP (street outreach) and we will end our time of service with our annual Palm Sunday Coat drive.

A full list of items needed for each organization is available at the welcome table. Bring items to church or call office to make arrangements.

MARTIN'S MOPPERS – Cleaning Help Needed! Looking for 2-3 people for a couple of hours on Saturdays once a month for basic cleaning of Church. Call the church office, we'll be glad to schedule you for a Saturday.

WORSHIP SERVICES each Sunday 10am and for Wednesday Lent Services 7pm. We are in-person and livestreaming services via Facebook. Zoom is available on Wednesday evenings. We appreciate everyone being flexible when we do need to make a change.

OFFICE HOURS – the church building is not open to the public, however we have opened the building to Bible Study Groups and we are worshiping in-person, online with Zoom and Facebook Live. Thanks for your patience.

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