



Welcome to worship!

First Lutheran Church

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GATHERING

Welcome / Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Friends in Christ, in this Lenten season we have heard our Lord's call to struggle against sin, death, and the devil—all that keeps us from loving God and each other. This is the struggle to which we were called at baptism. Within the community of the church, God never wearies of forgiving sin and giving the peace of reconciliation. On this night let us confess our sin against God and our neighbor, and enter the celebration of the great Three Days reconciled with God and with one another.

Silence for reflection.

Most merciful God,

C: We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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: 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.

Gathering Hymn

Three Holy Days Enfold Us Now

ACS#930

Greeting

L: 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

WORD

First Reading

Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalms 116:1-2, 12-19

read responsively

¹ I love the LORD, who has heard my voice, and listened to my supplication,

² **for the LORD has given ear to me whenever I called.**

¹² How shall I repay the LORD for all the good things God has done for me?

¹³ **I will lift the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD.**

¹⁴ I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all God's people.

¹⁵ **Precious in your sight, O LORD, is the death of your servants.**

¹⁶ O LORD, truly I am your servant; I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.

¹⁷ **I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call upon the name of the LORD.**

¹⁸ I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all God's people,

¹⁹ **in the courts of the LORD's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.**

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

ACS p. 34

Gospel Reading

John 13:1-17, 31b-35

P: The Holy Gospel according to John, the 13th chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Pastor Paul

Hymn of the Day

By Your Hand You Feed Your People

#469

Prayers of Intercession

P: Hear us, Oh God.

C: Your mercy is great.

The Peace

Offering *By Your Hand You Feed Your People* arr. by Nancy Raabe

Offering Response *Create in Me a Clean Heart*

MEAL

Great Thanksgiving ACS p. 36

Holy, Holy, Holy ACS p. 36

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer ACS p. 39

Lamb of God #195

Communion

All who desire to receive the body and blood of Christ are welcome at the table.

Communion Hymns

Now We Join in Celebration #462

Prayer After Communion

SENDING

Stripping of the Altar **Psalm 22**

Worshippers are encouraged to continue in prayer, remaining seated, or coming forward to kneel at the altar rail.

Depart in silence.

Thank you to those who shared their time and talents this evening:
Lectors: Jenny Schlagenhaft
Greeters:
Ushers: Jeff & Janet Chestnut
Communion Assistants: Jenny Schlagenhaft & Kathy Wigern
Altar: Becky Schultz & Milly Magnon
Sound/Video: Heath Oeltjen, Cheryl Luettinger, Julie Deschneau, Randy Zanto
Sounds Visual Student Assistant: