



## Fourth Sunday in Lent

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## 10:30 am Worship Service



**St. Luke**  
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**Gathering**

Prelude                      *Amazing Grace*                      Lloyd Larson                      St. Luke Ringers

Welcome and Announcements                      Pr. Patti Welch

## Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, who journeys with us these forty days, and sustains us with the gift of grace. **Amen.**

Let us acknowledge before God and one another our need for repentance and God's mercy.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Holy God, **we confess to you our faults and failings. Too often we neglect and do not trust your holy word; we take for ourselves instead of giving to others; we spoil rather than steward your creation; we cause hurt though you call us to heal; we choose fear over compassion. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, as we seek to follow in your way of life. Amen.**

Hear the good news: God so loved the world that God gave the only Son, so that all may receive life. This promise is for you! God embraces you with divine mercy, ✝ forgives you in Christ's name, and revives you in the Spirit's power. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn    *Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness*                      #843

## Apostolic Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Kyrie                      p. 120

## Prayer of the Day

Bend your ear to our prayers, Lord Christ, and come among us. By your gracious life and death for us, bring light into the darkness of our hearts, and anoint us with your Spirit, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

## Word

First Reading: 1 Samuel 16:1-13  
Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Elise Moentmann, reader

Anthem *It Is a Thing Most Wonderful* Arranged by K. Lee Scott Rejoice Choir

Second Reading: Ephesians 5:8-14  
Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation pg. 125

Gospel Reading: Pr. Patti Welch  
The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Sermon Hymn *Amazing Grace* vs. 1 & 3 #779

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I 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.**

Prayers of the People Craig Christensen, prayer leader  
Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Prayer Response *O Lord, Throughout These Forty Days* vs. 1 #319

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

## The Offering

Offertory Music *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

David H. Hegarty

## Offertory Prayer

God of good gifts, **receive these and all our offerings as we present them in faithful service for the sake of your gospel. Prepare our hearts to receive you in this meal as you pour out your very presence through Christ Jesus, the wellspring of eternal life. Amen.**

## The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Great Thanksgiving Dialogue pg. 129

Preface

Holy, Holy, Holy pg. 130

### Words of Institution

...for as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died pg. 131

Amen pg. 131

Lord's Prayer pg. 163

Lamb of God pg. 135

Hymn *You Satisfy the Hungry Heart* #484

Hymn *Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am* #814

### Post-Communion Prayer

Embodied God, **at this table, you have fed us with your own love. With the eyes of our hearts open to your promise, empower us to hear the needs of our neighbors and live your love in the world. Amen.**

### Benediction

Sending Hymn *I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say* #611

### Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve in love. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude *Amazing Grace*

Setting by John Carter Annamarie Pearson