

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

FEBRUARY 28, 2016

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Divine Service III LSB pages 184-202

L = Liturgist * = Stand C = Congregation

PRELUDE 8:00 Green Park Ringers and Singers *Were You There?*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***OPENING HYMN** *Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain 435*

1. **Come to Calvary's holy mountain, Sinners, ruined by the Fall;
Here a pure and healing fountain Flows to you, to me, to all,
In a full, perpetual tide, Opened when our Savior died.**
2. **Come in poverty and meanness, Come defiled, without, within;
From infection and uncleanness, From leprosy of sin,
Wash your robes and make them white; Ye shall walk with God in light.**
3. **Come in sorrow and contrition, Wounded, impotent, and blind;
Here the guilty free remission, Here the troubled peace, may find.
Health this fountain will restore; He that drinks shall thirst no more.**
4. **He that drinks shall live forever; 'Tis a soul-renewing flood.
God is faithful; God will never Break His covenant of blood,
Signed when our Redeemer died, Sealed when He was glorified.**

8:00 Green Park Ringers and Singers *The Walk to Calvary*

Norma S. Anderson

***INVOCATION AND GENERAL CONFESSION**

L: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **✠ Amen.**

BAPTISM (10:30)

L: God the Son, who did come down from heaven for us and for our salvation,

C: **Cleanse us by Your blood.**

L: God the Holy Spirit, promised Paraclete,

C: **Dwell in our lives with Your most holy fruits.**

L: Lord God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit:

C: **I, a troubled and penitent sinner, confess to You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of the suffering and death of Your Son, Jesus Christ, be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being. Forgive me all my sins and grant me the power of Your Holy Spirit that I may amend my sinful life. Amen.**

***THE ABSOLUTION**

C: **✠ Amen.**

***THE GLORIA PATRI** LSB page 186

C: **✠ Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

***THE KYRIE** LSB page 186

C: **✠ Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.**

***THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

L: The Lord be with you.

C: 🎶 And with thy spirit.

L: Let us pray to the Lord.

C: 🎶 Amen.

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING for the third Sunday in Lent is from Ezekiel 33:7-11, page 721:

⁷"So you, son of man, I have made a watchman for the house of Israel. Whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. ⁸If I say to the wicked, O wicked one, you shall surely die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from his way, that wicked person shall die in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at your hand. ⁹But if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, that person shall die in his iniquity, but you will have delivered your soul. ¹⁰"And you, son of man, say to the house of Israel, Thus have you said: 'Surely our transgressions and our sins are upon us, and we rot away because of them. How then can we live?' ¹¹Say to them, As I live, declares the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways, for why will you die, O house of Israel?

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: 🎶 Thanks be to God.

8:00 & 10:30 Chancel Choir

Worthy Is The Lamb

THE EPISTLE READING is from 1 Corinthians 10:1-11, page 957:

¹For I want you to know, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, ²and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, ³and all ate the same spiritual food, ⁴and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ. ⁵Nevertheless, with most of them God was not pleased, for they were overthrown in the wilderness. ⁶Now these things took place as examples for us, that we might not desire evil as they did. ⁷Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play." ⁸We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. ⁹We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents, ¹⁰nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer. ¹¹Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

***ALLELUIA**

C: 🎶 Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

***THE HOLY GOSPEL** - according to St. Luke, the thirteenth chapter, verses 1-9, page 872:

C: 🎶 Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

¹There were some present at that very time who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. ²And he answered them, "Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans, because they suffered in this way? ³No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish. ⁴Or those eighteen on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed them: do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others who lived in Jerusalem? ⁵No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish." ⁶And he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came seeking fruit on it and found none. ⁷And he said to the vinedresser, 'Look, for three years now I have come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and I find none. Cut it down. Why should it use up the ground?' ⁸And he answered him, 'Sir, let it alone this year also, until I dig around it and put on manure. ⁹Then if it should bear fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.'"

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: 🎶 Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

***THE APOSTLES' CREED (5, 8, 9:20)**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

CHILDREN'S SONG (Sung as the children come forward) (8:00 & 10:30)

1. Let me learn of Jesus; He is kind to me;
Once He died to save me, Nailed upon the tree.
2. When I go to Jesus, He will hear me pray,
Make me pure and holy, Take my sins away.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (8:00 & 10:30)

Christina Stackle

HYMN OF THE DAY

Jesus, Refuge of the Weary

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1. Jesus, Refuge of the weary, Blest Redeemer, whom we love,
Fountain in life's desert dreary, Savior from the world above,
Often have your eyes, offended, Gazed upon the sinner's fall!
Yet, upon the cross extended, You have borne the pain of all.
2. Do we pass that cross unheeding, Breathing no repentant vow,
Though we see You wounded, bleeding, See Your thorn-encircled brow?
Yet Your sinless death has brought us Life eternal, peace, and rest;
Only what Your grace has taught us Calms the sinner's deep distress.
3. Jesus, may our hearts be burning With more fervent love for You.
May our eyes be ever turning To behold Your cross anew,
Till in glory, parted never From the blessed Savior's side,
Graven in our hearts forever Dwell the cross, the Crucified!

THE SERMON

"Disaster and Christian Humility"

(Luke 12:1-9)

THE OFFERING - *During the offering all worshipers are asked to fill out the blue or ivory cards found in the pew rack. Please pass cards down to center aisle. They will be collected immediately after the offering.*

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***THE OFFERTORY** LSB page 192

✠ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

***PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

***LORD'S PRAYER** (Found in the back cover of the hymnal)

***THE BENEDICTION**

C: ✠ Amen, amen, amen.

***THE CLOSING HYMN**

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God

1. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us!
2. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us!
3. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace! Amen.

***SILENT PRAYER/POSTLUDE** + + + + +

SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY:

Preacher: Pastor Jon C. Furgeson
Liturgist: Pastor Dennis A. Kastens
Organist: 5:00: Alice Kastens; 9:20: Burnell Hackman;
8:00 & 10:30: Kendra Ruesler
Choir Dir.: Burnell Hackman, DMM and Debbie Prange
KFUO 850 AM Broadcaster/Engineer: Bob Mullen/Dennis Gerfen

NEWS AND NOTES:

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TODAY'S EDUCATION HOUR: 9:15 - 10:15 a.m.

Adult Bible Class (Lower Commons): I John

Women's Bible Class (Office Conf. Rm.): led by Janice McCreary

Youth Bible Class: led by Christina Stackle, DCE

8th Grade Youth: led by Rick Goodman 7th Grade Youth: led by Greg Wirtel

PLEASE SILENCE ALL CELL PHONES

HEARING ASSIST TRANSMITTERS are available from the ushers. Ear pieces are available although we suggest you bring your own.

FOOD & DRINK CONSUMPTION should be kept inside the Gym.

ALTAR FLOWERS are from Anita Thomas in memory of what would have been her and Don's 35th wedding anniversary. LIVE BROADCAST over KFUO radio (850 AM dial) of Peace's 8 a.m. service today is sponsored by Marian Kasten, in memory of Albert Kasten.

GREEN PARK SUNDAY is March 13, 10:30 a.m., at Peace.

BAPTISM (10:30) Madilyn Skye Duran, daughter of Justin D. and Jamie Lyn nee McKenna Duran. Sponsors: Michael W. and Dawn E. nee Guehring Meyer.

PREGNANCY CENTER BABY BOTTLES If you still have one, please turn it into the office this week. Thank you!

SUPPER 5:00 p.m., in the gym, before evening Lenten Service. Hosted by Peace Youth. Soups, salad, and dessert served. Free will offering. Welcome!

LENTEN SELF-DENIAL folders are available from the office. The offering is for Seminary students in financial need. On Easter Sunday the folders are to be turned in.

MUSIC MINISTRY TRIVIA NIGHT & SILENT AUCTION Don't miss your chance to get your Trivia Tickets. Final two weeks for advanced tickets. Trivia Night is Friday, March 11 at 7 p.m. at Royale Orleans. Help support our youth going to the National Youth Gathering in New Orleans and have a wonderful evening with family and friends. Tickets are \$15/person. Drop off silent auction items this week.

AREA HANDBELL CHOIRS will gather TODAY for Bell-a-bration 2016. The festivities begin at 6:30 p.m. You won't want to miss it!

YOUTH NEWS: Jr. Youth to attend the MO District Retreat at Camp Windermere April 1-3. Turn in your registration money by March 6. High School NYG Meeting TODAY from 6:30-8:00. Jr. & Sr. Youth will be serving Lenten Dinner March 2nd. Please sign up to help. Jr. & Sr. Youth stay after church on March 6 and help fill Easter Eggs from 11:30 - 1:00. Pizza lunch will be provided.

INDIVIDUALLY WRAPPED CANDY needed for Easter Egg Hunt. **Please give to Christina by Wednesday, March 2.**

EASTER EGG HUNT, will be held Saturday, March 12, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. for families with children infants - 3rd grade.

JOB OPENING—Early Childhood-Call Sue Velten for information, 892-8844.

“STAY-N-PLAY” FREE OPEN GYM AT GPLS Home with children in the cold? Enjoy free mornings of fun and play! Children 5 years and under, accompanied by an adult, welcome. Limited spots available. This Friday morning, 9:00 - 10:30 a.m. on March 4. Sign up today at greenparklutheranschool.org/staynplay/.

DIRECT THRIVENT “Choice Dollars” by March 31 deadline.

PEACE MARRIED COUPLES’ CLUB Dubbs Bridge, Sat. March 12, 6:00 p.m. at Peace. Bring a snack or dessert to share. RSVP to June Seiller.

LIVING LAST SUPPER March 24, 7:00 p.m. A Chancel drama depicting the Passover meal in the upper room with Jesus and His disciples. Come and learn how the disciples may have reacted to Jesus’ words, “One of you is going to betray me.” Invite your family and friends to join you as part of your Holy Week observance. See the Peace Lutheran for more information or go to the church website www.peacelutheranstl.org.

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF FEBRUARY 28, 2016:

Today: 2:45 Handbell Assoc. Rehearsal
4:45 Handbell Assoc. Rehearsal w/Orchestra of Peace
6:30 Bell-a-bration 2016
Mon: 9:30 Berean Careciples
3:30 GP Practice
Tue: 9:00 Quilters
6:30 Men’s Volleyball
Wed: 11:00 Worship Service
4:00 5-6th gr. Confirmation Class
4:00 7-8th gr. Confirmation Class
4:50 Celebration Ringers
5:00 Lenten Supper
5:30 Glocken Ringers
6:15 Worship Service
7:00 Alleluia Ringers
Thu: 6:00 Men’s Morning Bible Study
9:00 Mary/Martha Bible Study
6:30 ESL Classes
7:00 Chancel Choir
Sat: 9:00 PLAA
5:00 Worship Service w/Comm.
Sun: 11:45 Life Ministry Team
3:30 LHSS Choral Concert
7:00 Peter Careciples - Wuerffels