# 8:45 A.M. ORDER OF WORSHIP March 6, 2022 FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE: "The Glory of These Forty Days"—A W. Leupold

- P. We prepare our hearts and minds for worship, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C. Amen.

# **BRIEF ORDER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS:**

You may either stand or kneel.

- P: Holy and loving God, here, in public worship, we confess our sins. We fall short of your intentions for us.
- C: We find it hard to believe your good news is for us. We fail to care for all the gifts you give us—-our time, our talent, and our possessions. We fall short of your intentions for us.
- P: We fail to truly see our neighbors. We look past the stranger.
- C: We find it convenient to be self-righteous when it comes to politics and ethics.
- P: Forgive us Lord God! Help us to do better—to be better. We ask through Jesus Christ, your Son our Lord, the One who emptied himself just to be with us and save us.
- C: Amen.

# **DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS:**

- P: Paul teaches us in Romans chapter 5: If in Adam and Eve all have died—so now--in Jesus Christ--all are made alive. Let us rejoice in the lifegiving power of God's unconditional love. Our sins are forgiven for Jesus' sake.
- C: Amen.

**GATHERING HYMN: "O Lord Throughout These 40 Days"** 



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#### **APOSTOLIC 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.

#### **HYMN OF PRAISE:**



#### **PRAYER OF THE DAY:**

P. The Lord be with you

C. And also with you.

P. Let us pray

Dear God, as Jesus faced the Wilderness following his baptism, so do we. Help us to endure hard places and difficult choices with faith, hope, and love. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

#### **BIBLE READINGS**

After the reading of the Gospel: P. The Gospel of the Lord" C. Praise to you O Christ.

SERMON: "This is Not a Drill"

See back of bulletin

**Pastor Larry Isbell** 

HYMN OF THE DAY: "The Glory of These Forty Days"



#### **APOSTLES' CREED:**

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

# CHOIR ANTHEM: "Lord, For Thy Tender Mercy's Sake" - Richard Farrant

Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake, lay not our sins to our charge, but forgive that is past and give us grace to amend our sinful lives; to decline from sin and incline to virtue, that we may walk in a perfect heart before thee now and evermore. Amen

# THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH:

(At the end of each petition, the leader will say "Lord, in your mercy." Feel free to respond with "Hear our prayer.")

P. Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

# THE BLESSING OF THE OFFERING

# **COMMUNION LITURGY**

P. In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER:

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.

## **HOLY COMMUNION:**

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. We trust and teach the "real presence" of Jesus, in, with, and under the elements of bread and wine.

As you approach the altar rail, please keep a good space between yourself and others. The floor is marked where you may stand or kneel.



# **POST COMMUNION PRAYER:**

P. Let us pray. We give you thanks almighty God that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift – in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

# C: Amen

# **BENEDICTION:**

- P. Now may God, who has loved us with a love beyond all telling, send us forth to care for the world around us and to share the good news of that love, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C. Amen.

**SENDING HYMN: "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"** a sword and shield vic -1 Α might -У for - tress is our God, óf ours can match his might! We would be lost, 2 No re strength 3 all threat-'ning to Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land de -- ev - er 4 God's Word for shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who to rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's and rod ject ed. But now a cham-pion comes to fight, whom vour us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they fear for God him - self fights by it; our side with glo - rious. The wins sal - va - tion old sa - tan - ic foe God him - self e -You lect ed. ask who this may be? can - not o - ver pow'r Let this world's ty - rant rage; us. weap-ons of the Spir it. Were they to take our house, 2 has With craft and dread - ful might sworn to work us woe! Lord of hosts is The he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord, doomed to in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is fail; child, or spouse, though life goods, hon - or, be wrenched a - way, 00 arms him - self to fight. qual. On earth he has no e he God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to rious. One lit - tle word sub - dues him. God's judg-ment must pre-vail! they can - not win the day. The king-dom's ours for - ev er! 8 Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Lutheran Book of Worship EIN FESTE BURG Music: Martin Luther, 1483-1546

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# **DISMISSAL:**

- P. Go in peace! Serve the Lord!
- C. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: "Canzona Arioso" – A. Gabrieli

Today's altar flowers are given by Linda Trautman in memory of her father.