

St. Matthew's Ev. Lutheran Church
1615 N. Wauwatosa Ave., Wauwatosa, WI 53213

March 17th, 2019

Second Sunday in Lent

8:30 a.m. Service

Prelude

Welcome to Worship

Gathering

(Please stand as you are able)

Preparation for Worship

Let us pray. Lord God, we gather here because you have called us. You loved us before we could love you. You have given your Son for our salvation. For this we join all creation in blessing you, praising you, and thanking you.

As we offer our praise, we long for you to mold us in the image of your Son, whose death and resurrection give us hope. Amen.

Call to Confession

Holy God

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Confession and Forgiveness

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“How often have I desired to gather you,” says the Lord, “as a hen gathers her brood under her wing.”

For the Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

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Gracious God,

In times of temptation we forget what you have done for us. You give us everything we need, yet we often remain unsatisfied; you trust us to care for creation, yet we often abuse that trust and spoil what we have been given. You show us the way we are to follow, yet we often continue on the path of self-indulgence and self-centeredness. Forgive us, we pray. We ask for your direction, your patience, and your love, in the name of Jesus Christ, who, in spite of his temptations, was faithful to your saving Word.

By water and the Holy Spirit, God gives us a new birth, and through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, God forgives us all our sins. Almighty God strengthen us in all goodness and keep us in eternal life.

Amen.

Gathering Song

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Prayer of the Day

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For in the day of trouble God will keep me safe in the holy dwelling; God will hide me in the shelter of the tabernacle and set me high upon a rock.

Then my head will be exalted above the enemies who surround me; at the LORD's tabernacle will I sacrifice with shouts of joy; I will sing and make music to the LORD.

Hear my voice when I call, O LORD; be merciful to me and answer me.

My heart says of you, "Seek this face!" Your face, LORD, I will seek.

Do not hide your face from me, do not turn your servant away in anger; you have been my helper. Do not reject me or forsake me, O God my Savior.

Though my father and mother forsake me, the LORD will receive me.

Teach me your way, O LORD; lead me in a straight path because of my oppressors.

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I am still confident of this: I will see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living.

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Second Reading

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Gospel Message

Pastor Christopher Manke

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Hymn of the Day

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Apostles' Creed

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Lord, hear our prayer.

Merciful God, hear our cry when we call to you; renew and uphold us with your Spirit, through Christ Jesus our Lord.

Amen.

Sharing the Peace of Christ

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Thanksgiving

(Please be seated)

Musical Offering

(Please stand as you are able)

Canticle of Thanksgiving

The Glory of These Forty Days

1. The glo - ry of these for - ty days we cel - e -
2. Then grant, O God, that we may, too, re - turn in
brate with songs of praise; for Christ, through whom all
fast and prayer to you. Our spir - its strength - en
things were made, him - self has fast - ed and has prayed.
with your grace, and give us joy to see your face.

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Thanksgiving for the Word

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The Lord's Prayer page 221 (Contemporary Version)

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.

Sending

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Sending Song

#811 On My Heart Imprint Your Image

Dismissal

Marked with the cross of Christ, go forth to love and serve the Lord.

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Postlude

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Meal*(Please be seated)*

Musical Offering

Breastplate by Liam Lawton arr. by Paul A. Tate

Senior Choir; Dennis McBride and Kate McCullough, Soloists; Melissa Mann, Violin

*Christ be with me, Christ about me, Christ beside me as I go.
 Christ before me, Christ around me, Christ within, above, below.
 Christ encircle now my heart. Christ encircle ev'ry part.
 Christ be with me, Christ surround me, Christ be near and never far.*

*Christ to guide me on my journey, Christ to shield me from the night,
 Christ to lead me on each journey, Christ my hope, my light, my life.
 Christ to save me from all sin. Christ to call me deep within,
 Christ to guide me on my journey. Christ my heart to ever fill.*

*Christ be with me in my going, Christ in tongues that tell of me,
 Christ within each heart abiding, Christ in ev'ry eye that sees.
 Christ to be my found protector, Christ to shield me from all strife,
 Christ be near my heart forever, Christ my way, my hope, my life.*

(Please stand as you are able)

Canticle of Thanksgiving

When Grains of Wheat Fall

1. When grains of wheat fall in the ground, New life with -
 2. With Christ we die; with Christ we live; To Christ our
 in their death is found. When grapes are crushed, there
 ran - somed lives we give. With grate - ful hearts, our
 flows new wine. So from Christ's death flow gifts di - vine.
 gifts in hand, Be - fore the cross of Christ we stand.

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Offertory Prayer

Let us pray. Heavenly Father, even as you stoop to gather all your children to yourself, so have we gathered these gifts to you. We offer them with love. Use them for your kingdom. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Proper Preface

Holy, Holy, Holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,
 Lord, God of pow - er, God of might: heav - en and earth are full of your
 glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is
 he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
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Eucharistic Prayer

Lord's Prayer

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Invitation to Receive Holy Communion

Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.

(Please be seated)

Lamb of God

Jesus, Lamb of God

Je - sus, Lamb of God, have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins, have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world,

grant us peace, grant us peace.

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Communion Anthem

For the Bread Which You Have Broken

arr. By Craig Carnahan - Senior Choir

Communion Hymn

#468 Around You, O Lord Jesus

(Please stand as you are able)

Communion Response

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's love and grace.

Amen.

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, you have gathered your children together in this place, “... as a hen gathers her brood under her wings” and have fed us with this heavenly food. As we leave the warmth of this gathering, make us bold to follow you to your cross and to your glory.

Amen.

Sending

Sending of Communion

Let us pray. Compassionate God, as Jesus called disciples to follow him, bless those who go forth to share your Word and Sacrament with those who are sick, homebound, or imprisoned. May these gifts be signs of our love and prayers, that through the sharing of the body and blood of Christ, all may know your grace and healing revealed in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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