

# ***LUTHERAN CHAPEL***

*4th Sunday*  
**IN LENT**



**EXODUS 32:1-20 AND JOHN 9**

*"Seeing in Christ"*

**HOLY COMMUNION  
4TH SUNDAY IN LENT  
MARCH 15, 2026**

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**LUTHERAN CHAPEL**  
**SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION**

*BOLD indicates congregational responses - \* Indicates that all who are able should stand to honor God.*

**GATHER**

**WELCOME AND PRELUDE**

*“Hesperus”*

Howard Quilling

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: In the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

*Matthew 28:19b*

**C: Amen.**

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

*1 John 1:8-9*

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Let us recite the gift of the Ten Commandments and the Great Commandment and use these teachings to examine our lives.

**THE TEN COMMANDMENTS**

*Exodus 20:1-17*

- 1. I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of slavery; you shall have no other gods.**
- 2. You shall not make wrongful use of the Name of the LORD your God.**
- 3. Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.**
- 4. Honor your father and mother.**
- 5. You shall not murder.**
- 6. You shall not commit adultery.**
- 7. You shall not steal.**
- 8. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.**
- 9. You shall not covet your neighbor’s house.**
- 10. You shall not covet your neighbor’s wife or (husband).**

**THE GREAT COMMANDMENT**

*Mark 12:28-31*

**C: You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength...you shall love your neighbor as yourself.**

P: Let us kneel or sit for a time of silent confession and self-examination.

P: 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.**

\*THE APOSTOLIC GREETING

2 Corinthians 13:13

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.**

\*THE KYRIE

Mark 10:47, ELW pg. 138

AM: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

AM: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

AM: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

AM: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

AM: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C: Amen.**

\*PRAYER OF THE DAY

(In Unison)

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: 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**

**MESSAGE FOR ALL OF GOD’S PEOPLE**

*All who want to come forward for the Message are welcome to do so.*

**STORY OF SALVATION LESSON**

**EXODUS 32:1-20**

<sup>1</sup> When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron and said to him, “Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him.” <sup>2</sup> Aaron said to them, “Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters and bring them to me.” <sup>3</sup> So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears and brought them to Aaron. <sup>4</sup> He took these from them, formed them in a mold, and cast an image of a calf, and they said, “These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!” <sup>5</sup> When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it, and Aaron made a proclamation and said, “Tomorrow shall be a festival to the Lord.” <sup>6</sup> They rose early the next day and offered burnt offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being, and the people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to revel.

<sup>7</sup> The Lord said to Moses, “Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; <sup>8</sup> they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it and said, ‘These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of

Egypt!’ ”<sup>9</sup> The Lord said to Moses, “I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. <sup>10</sup> Now let me alone so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them, and of you I will make a great nation.”

<sup>11</sup> But Moses implored the Lord his God and said, “O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? <sup>12</sup> Why should the Egyptians say, ‘It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains and to consume them from the face of the earth’? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. <sup>13</sup> Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, ‘I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.’ ” <sup>14</sup> And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

<sup>15</sup> Then Moses turned and went down from the mountain, carrying the two tablets of the covenant in his hands, tablets that were written on both sides, written on the front and on the back. <sup>16</sup> The tablets were the work of God, and the writing was the writing of God, engraved upon the tablets. <sup>17</sup> When Joshua heard the noise of the people as they shouted, he said to Moses, “There is a noise of war in the camp.” <sup>18</sup> But he said,

“It is not the sound made by victors  
or the sound made by losers;  
it is the sound of singing that I hear.”

<sup>19</sup> As soon as he came near the camp and saw the calf and the dancing, Moses’s anger burned hot, and he threw the tablets from his hands and broke them at the foot of the mountain. <sup>20</sup> He took the calf that they had made, burned it with fire, ground it to powder, scattered it on the water, and made the Israelites drink it.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### STORY OF SALVATION TIMELINE

The timeline below offers an overview of the Story of Salvation lesson from Genesis to Revelation. The + marks where we are now. The memory verse is in bold.

*Creation: Fall : Promise : **+Exodus** : Conquest : Judges: Kings and Prophets : Exile :  
Restoration : 2<sup>nd</sup> Temple : JESUS : **+Apostles** : Last Day : New Creation*

### PSALM 23

*(Spoken)*

<sup>1</sup> The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

<sup>2</sup> **He makes me lie down in green pastures;  
he leads me beside still waters;**

<sup>3</sup> he restores my soul.

He leads me in right paths  
for his name’s sake.

<sup>4</sup> **Even though I walk through the darkest valley,  
I fear no evil,  
for you are with me;  
your rod and your staff,  
they comfort me.**

<sup>5</sup> You prepare a table before me  
in the presence of my enemies;  
you anoint my head with oil;  
my cup overflows.

<sup>6</sup> Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me  
all the days of my life,  
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD  
my whole life long.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now,  
and will be forever. Amen.

**SECOND LESSON**

**EPHESIANS 5:8-14**

<sup>8</sup> Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Walk as children of light, <sup>9</sup> for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. <sup>10</sup> Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. <sup>11</sup> Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness; rather, expose them. <sup>12</sup> For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly, <sup>13</sup> but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, <sup>14</sup> for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

“Sleeper, awake!  
Rise from the dead,  
and Christ will shine on you.”

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Joel 2:13*

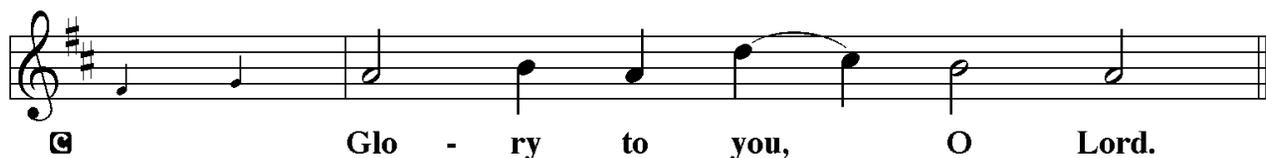
Return to the Lord, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding  
in steadfast love.

**\*GOSPEL**

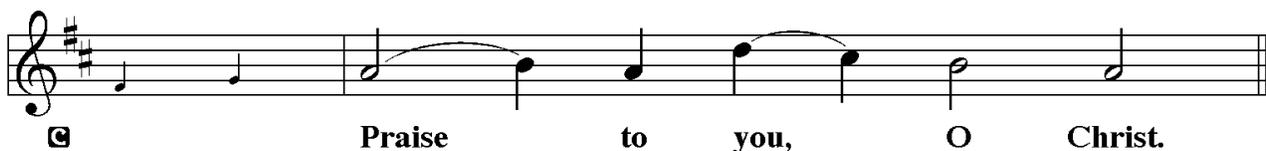
**JOHN 9**

*Those who are able may stand to honor Christ during the reading of the Gospel.*

Response after the announcement:



P: The Gospel of the Lord.



Idols and the Golden Calf Event  
Healing Eyes

*The Law is an aspect in the Word that shows our brokenness, sin and need for Jesus' saving power: What idols – physical, mental, spiritual – have I built? Do I recognize my sin and the times when I have been spiritually blind like so many other religious people through the ages?*

*The Gospel is an aspect in the Word that gives strength, wisdom and hope in Jesus' ultimate saving power: Jesus, the Light of the world, gives sight and insight now and forever.*

*So What/Plain Sense?: Your Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path (Psalm 119:105). Pray. Seek understanding. Adapt. Act in Christ at home, work, church and community.*

## \*HYMN OF THE DAY

*"Be Though My Vision"*

ELW #793

## \*THE APOSTLES' CREED

*All are invited to confess our faith in God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. If you have not received the gift of baptism or would like to affirm your faith in Jesus and join His mission here, please indicate on the attendance registry and talk to an usher or the pastor.*

**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.**

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*1 Timothy 2:1-4*

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

*A brief silence may be kept. Each prayer will conclude: Lord in Your mercy, and the congregation may respond **Hear our prayers.***

*Prayers are commended in Jesus' Name.*

AM: All these prayers and whatever else You see that we need we ask in the Name of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## \*THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

*Matthew 5:22-24: Ephesians 4:1-3*

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

## THE MEAL

### TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*2 Corinthians 9:7-8*

### MUSICAL OFFERING

*"Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross"*

Arr. by Kevin McChesney  
Chapel Ringers

### \*OFFERTORY

*"Create in Me a Clean Heart"*

*Psalm 51:10-12*

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

### \*THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

*(In Unison)*

**C: Blessed are You, O God, maker of all things. Through Your goodness You have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered in feeding the world with Your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

### \*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*2 Timothy 4:22, Colossians 3:1, Psalm 136*

P. The Lord be with you.

C. And also with you.

P. Lift up your hearts.

C. We lift them to the Lord.

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

### \*PREFACE AND THE HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

*Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9, ELW pg. 144*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

### \*THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*Matthew 26, Mark 14, Luke 22, 1 Corinthians 11*

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

*Matthew 6:9-13*

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**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.

**\*LAMB OF GOD**

*John 1:29, ELW pg. 146*

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**  
**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**  
**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.**

**\*DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION**

*All baptized Christians are welcome to Holy Communion. Here we receive forgiveness, the gift of abiding in Jesus, the remembrance of His sacrificial love for us on the Cross, and the promise of eternal life (Luke 24:13-35, John 6:22-59, 1 Cor. 11:23-26). Please request grape juice or gluten free bread if needed. Please take your communion cup as you leave and discard in trashcan.*

P: This is the body of Christ given for you. This is the blood of Christ shed for you.

**COMMUNION MUSIC**

*“Seek Ye First”  
“On My Heart Imprint Your Image”*

**WOV #783  
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**SENDING**

**\*THE BLESSING**

P: May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.  
C: Amen.

**\*SONG OF SIMEON**

*Luke 2:29-32*

**Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace: your word has been fulfilled.**  
**My own eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared in the sight of every people:**  
**A light to reveal you to the nations and the glory of your people Israel.**  
**Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace.**

**\*POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

AM: Giver of every gift, Christ’s body is our food, and we are Christ’s body. Raise us to life by your power for the benefit of all and to your glory, now and forever.  
C: Amen.

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*RECESSIONAL HYMN** *“Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound”*

**ELW #779**

**\*DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace, serve the Lord!  
C: Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE**

*“Two Fughettas”*

Johann Ernst Rembt



*In Honor &*  
**MEMORY** 

**OUR ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the Glory of God in honor of Charles Edwards 83rd Birthday, given by Katherine, Jason and Baker Sanders.

*Serving the*  
**CHURCH** 

Ministers.....People of Lutheran Chapel  
 Pastor.....Michael Comer  
 Administrative Assistant.....Susan Hibsich  
 Director of Music Ministries.....Kathie Riebe  
 Choir Accompanist.....Anna Gilreath  
 Assistant Minister.....Chris Lowe  
 Acolyte.....Elena Hoffman  
 Lector.....Alex Berghello  
 Crucifer.....Jordan Hoffman  
 Head Ushers.....Steve Clark and Ervin Hoffman  
 First Aid/AED/CPR.....Steve Clark  
 Council Members of the Month.....Don Boyette & Zac Lentz

*In Loving*  
**Memory** 

Sid Woody

Funeral Service on Wednesday, March 18 @ 2:00 pm in the Sanctuary.

# Upcoming EVENTS

**GENERAL INFORMATION:** If your family is in need of a **nursery** attendant during the 10:00 service, please let our ushers know and they will contact one of our attendants. **Restrooms** are located on the bottom floor of the Sanctuary. Additional restrooms are located in the Educational Building and *do not require the use of stairs*. If needed, please see an usher for assistance in locating them.

**TO GIVE TITHES AND OFFERINGS ONLINE:** This QR code goes straight to the “Easy Tithe” page on the website that accepts tithes and offerings electronically.



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**LENTEN VESPER SERVICES:** Services will be held on **Wednesday Evenings at 7:00 pm** in the Sanctuary. Donations made at Wednesday services will be given to the Backpack Ministries. All are welcome!

**OWLS:** We hope you’ll join us for our OWL-standing time of fellowship on **Wednesday, March 18, at 11:00 am** at Bellacino’s, Gastonia.

**EASTER EGG HUNT:** All welcome for an Easter Egg Hunt. Fun for the Whole Family! **Saturday, March 28th, from 1-3 pm**. Activities, Prizes, Snacks and More. Please consider donating egg fillers, such as candy and small toys or making a donation to be used to purchase fillers. Items are due by Sunday, March 15. Please leave in the box in the Narthex.

**CLOTHING CLOSET:** The next clothing closet giveaway will take place on **Saturday, March 21, from 9 am-12 pm**.

**2026 ALTAR FLOWER CALENDAR:** If you’d like to sign up for a Sunday in 2026, please contact Susan Lewis at 704-914-8451 or email [sudalewi@gmail.com](mailto:sudalewi@gmail.com). We still need flowers for October 4 and November 22.

**LOVE OFFERING FOR MARCH:** Our love offering for March will be sent to The Cathy Mabry Cloninger Center/A Domestic Violence Shelter. The Home serves as a temporary shelter for clients to establish new housing, jobs, and daycare, etc., while providing a safe, emergency residence where victims can live in times of crisis. Other services provided include counseling, court advocacy, children’s programs, and support group meetings.



SO VERY  
thankful  
INCREDIBLY  
grateful  
UNBELIEVABLY  
blessed.

Many thanks to the congregation for your thoughts and prayers during these difficult past weeks.

With gratitude,  
The Dean Family

# Weekly **CALENDAR**



## **Sunday, March 15**

- 8:30 am Fellowship with coffee
- 9:00 am Sunday School / Bible Study
- 10:00 am Worship (Sanctuary)
- 11:00 am Full Council Meeting (Conference)**
- 11:30 am Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)
- 8:00 pm Life In Christ (Fellowship Hall, Chapel)  
Faith Group (Fellowship Hall)

## **Monday, March 16**

- 8:30 am Preschool

## **Tuesday, March 17**

- 8:30 am Preschool
- 10:00 am Clothing Closet Workday
- 5:30 pm Chapel Ringers
- 6:00 pm Pickup basketball (Gym)

## **Wednesday, March 18**

- 8:30 am Preschool
- 11:00 am Owls**
- 2:00 pm Funeral Sid Woody (Sanctuary)**
- 7:00 pm Lenten Vesper (Sanctuary)

## **Thursday, March 19**

- 8:30 am Preschool
- 11:00 am Bible Study (Pastor's Office)

## **Friday, March 20**

- 9:00 am Men's Community Bible Study (Library)

## **Saturday, March 21**

- 9:30 am Hungry Peeps in (Fellowship Hall)
- 9-12 pm Clothing Closet Giveaway

## **Sunday, March 22**

- 8:30 am Fellowship with coffee
- 9:00 am Sunday School / Bible Study
- 10:00 am Worship (Sanctuary)
- 11:30 am Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)
- 4:00-6:00 pm Life In Christ (Fellowship Hall, Chapel)
- 8:00 pm Faith Group (Fellowship Hall)

# Let's **PRAY**



**DAILY PRAYER - A HOME ALTAR ALTERS THE HOME!:** Sunrise, noon, sunset and at meals are times for daily prayer (*Psalm 1 55:17*). *May God bless you as you turn to Him day by day.*

## **THE BIBLE IN A YEAR - Week 11 March 15 to March 22, 2026**

03/15 Morning Reading: Mark 14:27-53—Evening Reading: Deuteronomy 26, 27

03/16 Morning Reading: Mark 14:54-72—Evening Reading: Deuteronomy 28, 29

03/17 Morning Reading: Mark 15:1-25—Evening Reading: Deuteronomy 30, 31

03/18 Morning Reading: Mark 15:26-47—Evening Reading: Deuteronomy 32, 33, 34

03/19 Morning Reading: Mark 16—Evening Reading: Joshua 1, 2, 3

03/20 Morning Reading: Luke 1:1-20—Evening Reading: Joshua 4, 5, 6

03/21 Morning Reading: Luke 1:21-38—Evening Reading: Joshua 7, 8, 9

03/22 Morning Reading: Luke 1:39-56—Evening Reading: Joshua 10, 11, 12



**This QR** code goes straight to the Daily prayers page on the website that lists the commemorations and Psalms appointments for the week.

**PRAYER LIST FOR FELLOWSHIP:** Shirley Bradley, Miles Carpenter, Shirley Carpenter, George Cashion, Baker Hampton, Henry Hoffman, Jason Lineberger, Gene Weaver, and **for the family of Sid Woody.**

**FRIENDS OF THE FELLOWSHIP:** Kyle Banes, Kathy Bradley, Gage Brown, Deborah Carpenter, Zandra Chavis, Jeff Cobb, Doris Coggins, Genniser Devega, Tucker Doayne, Ralph Euchner, Kenny Falls, Jack Fitzgerrel, Jameson Franklin, Carolyn Gantt, Abi Gordon, Jan Green, Jerry Green, John, Kathy Jenkins, Debbie Kersprie, Don Kincaid, for the **family of Sam Malitz's father**, Sherry McCart, Betty Parlier, Rita Pasour, Jeff Smith, Christy Carpenter Smith, Charlene Sorenson, Judy Turner, Kennedy Williams and For our Nation and Military during Operation Epic Fury.

*To share concerns and updates for the prayer list you can contact the church office (704-864-6491) or call/text Pastor Comer (704-787-6439)*

## **NEXT WEEK'S LESSONS:**

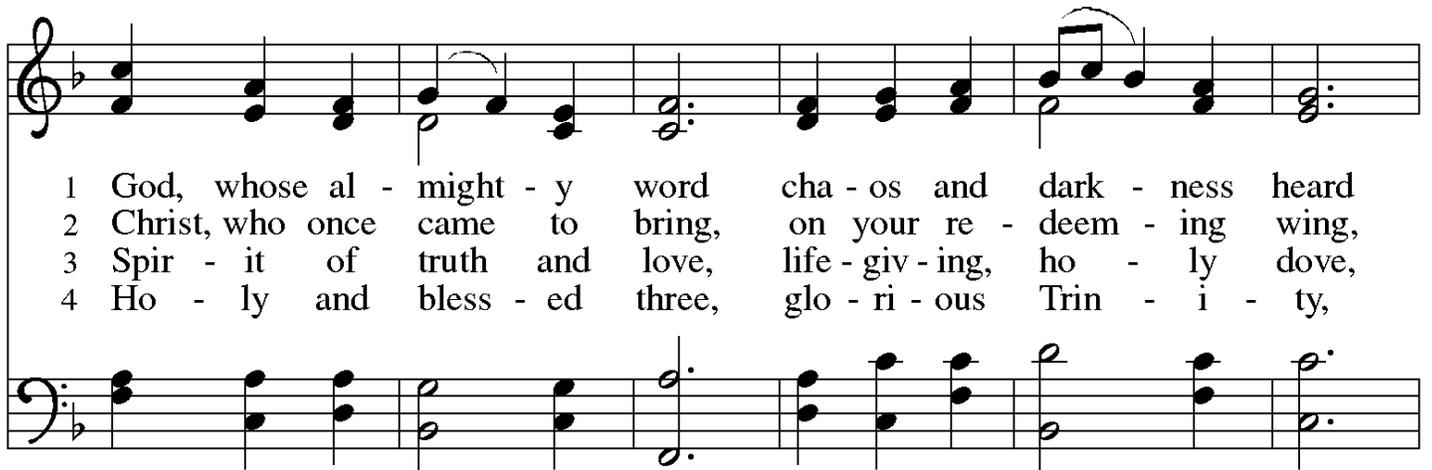
**Wednesday, March 18 ~ Lent Vespers**

Psalm 102 "*The Afflicted One*"

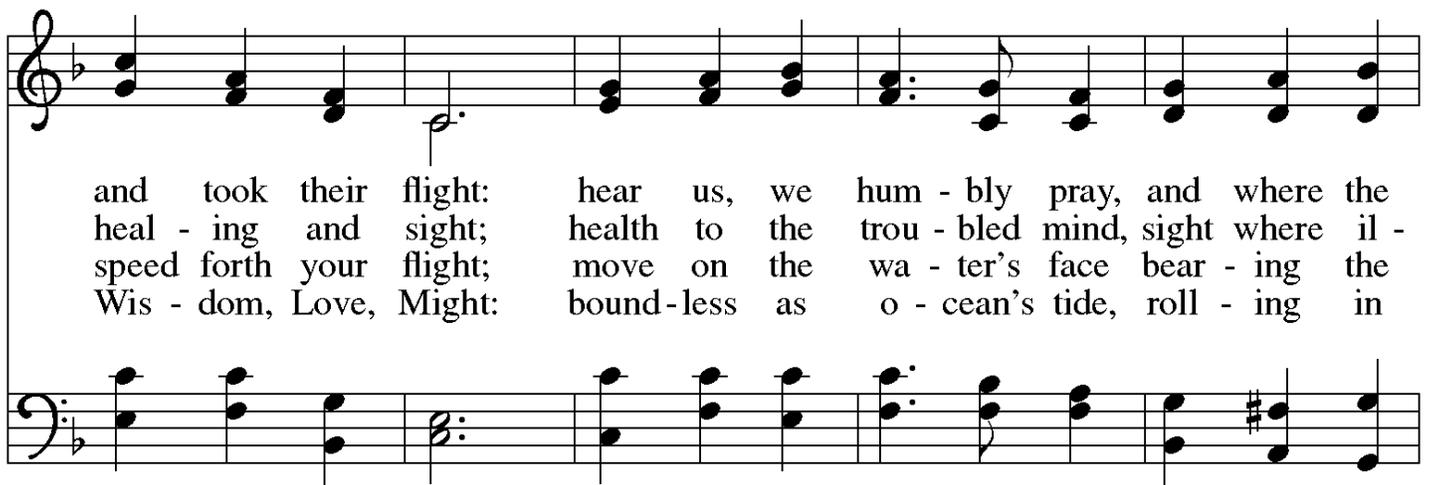
**Sunday, March 22 ~ Ante Communion**

Deuteronomy 6:4-13 and John 11 "*The Dead Will Be Raised in Christ*"

# God, Whose Almighty Word



1 God, whose al - might - y word cha - os and dark - ness heard  
2 Christ, who once came to bring, on your re - deem - ing wing,  
3 Spir - it of truth and love, life - giv - ing, ho - ly dove,  
4 Ho - ly and bless - ed three, glo - ri - ous Trin - i - ty,



and took their flight: hear us, we hum - bly pray, and where the  
heal - ing and sight; health to the trou - bled mind, sight where il -  
speed forth your flight; move on the wa - ter's face bear - ing the  
Wis - dom, Love, Might: bound - less as o - cean's tide, roll - ing in



gos - pel day sheds not its glo - rious ray, let there be light.  
lu - sions blind; oh, now to hu - man-kind let there be light.  
lamp of grace, and in earth's dark - est place let there be light.  
full - est pride, through the earth, far and wide, let there be light.

Text: John Marriott, 1780–1825, alt.  
Music: ITALIAN HYMN, Felice de Giardini, 1716–1796

# Be Thou My Vision



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;  
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;  
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,  
 4 Light of my soul, af - ter vic - to - ry won,



naught be all else to me, save that thou art:  
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord.  
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:  
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O heav - en's Sun!



thou my best thought both by day and by night,  
 Thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tow'r,  
 thou and thou on - ly, the first in my heart,  
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.  
 raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.  
 great God of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.  
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Text: Irish, 8th cent.; vers. Eleanor H. Hull, 1860–1935, alt.; tr. Mary E. Byrne, 1880–1931  
 Music: SLANE, Irish traditional

# Seek Ye First

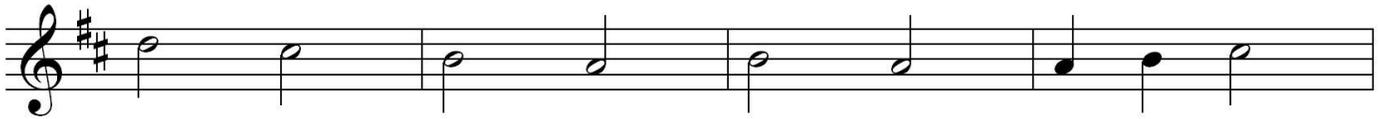
Karen Lafferty



Seek ye \_\_\_ first the king - dom of God and its right - eous - ness,  
Ask, and it shall be giv-en un - to you, seek, and ye shall find,



and all these things shall be add - ed un-to you; Al - le - lu, al-le - lu - ia!  
knock, and the door shall be o - pened un-to you; Al - le - lu, al-le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,



Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!

# On My Heart Imprint Your Image

On my heart im - print your im - age, bless - ed Je - sus, king of grace,

that life's trou - bles nor its plea - sures ev - er may your work e - rase.

Let the clear in - scrip - tion be: Je - sus, cru - ci - fied for me,

is my life, my hope's foun - da - tion, all my glo - ry and sal - va - tion!

Text: Thomas H. Kingo, 1634–1703; tr. Peer O. Strømme, 1856–1921, alt.  
Music: DER AM KREUZ, Johann B. König, 1691–1758

# Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

1 A - maz - ing grace!— how sweet the sound— that  
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and  
 3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I  
 4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his  
 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but  
 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that  
 have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me  
 word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and  
 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

now am found; was blind, but now I see.  
 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!  
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.  
 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.  
 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

Text: John Newton, 1725–1807, alt., sts. 1–4; anonymous, st. 5  
 Music: NEW BRITAIN, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835; arr. Edwin O. Excell, 1851–1921, alt.