



# St. Luke's Lutheran Church



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*Sharing Jesus Christ's love with those around us.*

**Wednesday, March 3, 2021 – 7:30 PM**

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**Lenten Midweek #3**

**Four Significant Days**

**Significant Question: Tuesday of Holy Week**

**(Series B)**

## **WELCOME**

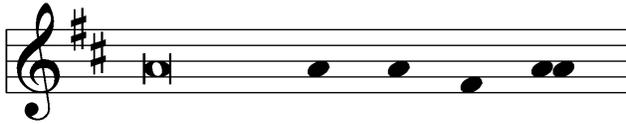
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## **AS WE GATHER**

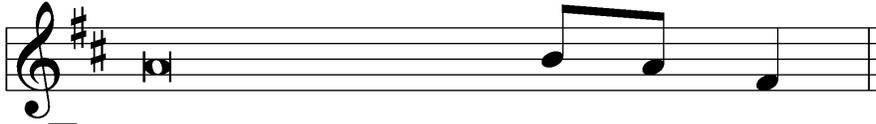
As we journey through this Lenten season and the days of Holy Week, we find Jesus teaching and being asked various questions. Upon being asked which commandment is the greatest, Jesus says to love—with love for God and love for one's neighbor. We may find we are lacking in either of these commands to love. Let us find hope in the reality that because Christ first loved us, we are empowered to love others.

## **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

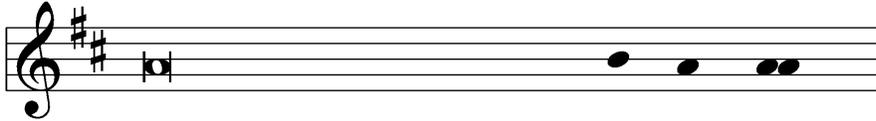
*Stand*



**L** O Lord, o - pen my lips,



**C** and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



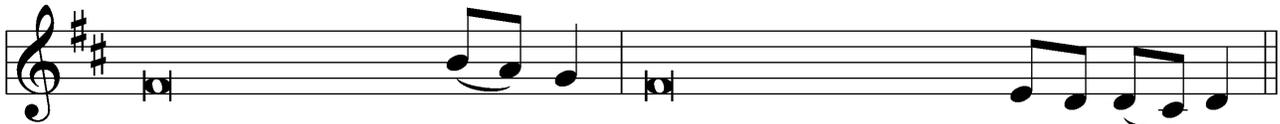
**L** Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;



**C** make haste to help me, O Lord.



**C** Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.



Praise to You, O Christ, Lamb of our sal - va - tion.

**P** As we turn our eyes to Holy Week, we find the scribes asking Jesus questions.

**C** **They want to know which commandment is most important.**

**P** Jesus' answer is twofold. Love the Lord with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength,

**C** **and love your neighbor as yourself.**

**P** These two commands are grounded in love.

**C** **Lord, grant that we love God and others as Christ loves us.**

**P** And grant that we turn away from hate and indifference

**C** **and share the love of Christ.**

## PSALM

*Psalm 42*

**P** <sup>1</sup>As a deer pants for flowing streams,

**C** **so pants my soul for you, O God.**

**P** <sup>2</sup>My soul thirsts for God,  
for the living God.

**C** **When shall I come and appear before God?**

**P** <sup>3</sup>My tears have been my food day and night,

**C** **while they say to me continually,  
"Where is your God?"**

**P** <sup>4</sup>These things I remember,  
as I pour out my soul:

**C** **how I would go with the throng  
and lead them in procession to the house of God**

**P** with glad shouts and songs of praise,

**C** **a multitude keeping festival.**

**P** <sup>5</sup>Why are you cast down, O my soul,  
and why are you in turmoil within me?

**C** **Hope in God; for I shall again praise him,  
my salvation <sup>6</sup>and my God.**

**P** My soul is cast down within me;

**C** **therefore I remember you  
from the land of Jordan and of Hermon,  
from Mount Mizar.**

**P** <sup>7</sup>Deep calls to deep

at the roar of your waterfalls;

**C** **all your breakers and your waves  
have gone over me.**

**P** <sup>8</sup>By day the LORD commands his steadfast love,  
and at night his song is with me,

**C** **a prayer to the God of my life.**

**P** <sup>9</sup>I say to God, my rock:

“Why have you forgotten me?”

**C** **Why do I go mourning  
because of the oppression of the enemy?”**

**P** <sup>10</sup>As with a deadly wound in my bones,  
my adversaries taunt me,

**C** **while they say to me continually,  
“Where is your God?”**

**P** <sup>11</sup>Why are you cast down, O my soul,  
and why are you in turmoil within me?

**C** **Hope in God; for I shall again praise him,  
my salvation and my God.**

**C** Glory be 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.

*Sit*

## OFFICE HYMN – “Jesus Is the Faithful Teacher



1 Je - sus is the faith - ful teach - er, Point - ing to the  
2 Hear, O peo - ple, cho - sen, ho - ly: Yes, the Lord, our  
3 As you love the Lord, re - mem - ber, You must love your  
4 Tru - ly Je - sus is un - ri - valed, For He kept the



reign of God, Which ex - tends o'er ev - 'ry crea - ture,  
God, is one. Love Him well and serve Him on - ly  
neigh - bor too. For the Lord has loved each mem - ber  
per - fect Law. And He loves with - out de - priv - al,



Ev - 'ry per - son, pure or flawed. So when  
For He has our free - dom won. Love the  
Of the world He made a - new. These are  
Loves and leads with - out a flaw. But the



asked this ques - tion's con - tent, Je - sus  
Lord with all your strength, friend. Love the  
both the great com - mand - ment; They can -  
great - est love He shows us Comes in



knew the an - swer well, “Which com - mand is most im -  
 Lord— heart, mind, and soul. Love the Lord, for He has  
 not be held a - part. For to love with - out re -  
 lay - ing His life down, As up - on the cross He



por - tant?” Hear the an - swer He would tell.  
 length - ened All our days and made us whole.  
 sent - ment Is to fol - low Je - sus’ heart.  
 chose us To re - ceive His righ - teous crown.

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## READINGS

### FIRST READING

*Deuteronomy 6:4-9*

*(The Lord is one, and we are to love him with all our heart.)*

<sup>4</sup>“Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. <sup>5</sup>You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. <sup>6</sup>And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. <sup>7</sup>You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. <sup>8</sup>You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. <sup>9</sup>You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

**L** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**G** Thanks be to God.

## PSALM

Psalm 48

**P** <sup>1</sup>Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised  
**C** **in the city of our God!**

**P** His holy mountain, <sup>2</sup>beautiful in elevation,  
is the joy of all the earth,  
**C** **Mount Zion, in the far north,**  
**the city of the great King.**

**P** <sup>3</sup>Within her citadels  
**C** **God has made himself known as a fortress.**

**P** <sup>4</sup>For behold, the kings assembled;  
**C** **they came on together.**

**P** <sup>5</sup>As soon as they saw it, they were astounded;  
**C** **they were in panic; they took to flight.**

**P** <sup>6</sup>Trembling took hold of them there,  
**C** **anguish as of a woman in labor.**

**P** <sup>7</sup>By the east wind  
**C** **you shattered the ships of Tarshish.**

**P** <sup>8</sup>As we have heard, so have we seen  
in the city of the LORD of hosts,  
in the city of our God,  
**C** **which God will establish forever.**

**P** <sup>9</sup>We have thought on your steadfast love, O God,  
**C** **in the midst of your temple.**

**P** <sup>10</sup>As your name, O God,  
so your praise reaches to the ends of the earth.  
**C** **Your right hand is filled with righteousness.**

**P** <sup>11</sup>Let Mount Zion be glad!  
**C** **Let the daughters of Judah rejoice  
because of your judgments!**

**P** <sup>12</sup>Walk about Zion, go around her,  
number her towers,  
**C** <sup>13</sup>**consider well her ramparts,  
go through her citadels,**

**P** that you may tell the next generation  
<sup>14</sup>that this is God,  
our God forever and ever.  
**C** **He will guide us forever.**

**C** **Glory be 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 READING**

*Galatians 5:13-23*

*(We are called to love our neighbors as ourselves as we bear the fruit of the Holy Spirit.)*

<sup>13</sup>For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. <sup>14</sup>For the whole law is fulfilled in one word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." <sup>15</sup>But if you bite and devour one another, watch out that you are not consumed by one another.

<sup>16</sup>But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh.

<sup>17</sup>For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do. <sup>18</sup>But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.

<sup>19</sup>Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, <sup>20</sup>idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, <sup>21</sup>envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. <sup>22</sup>But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup>gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.

**L** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

**VERSE (LENT)**

*LSB 157*



**C** Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gra - cious and  
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in  
stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

**THIRD READING**

*Mark 12:28-37*

*(Jesus is asked a significant question: which commandment is the most important of all?)*

<sup>28</sup>One of the scribes came up and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that [Jesus] answered them well, asked him, “Which commandment is the most important of all?” <sup>29</sup>Jesus answered, “The most important is, ‘Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. <sup>30</sup>And 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.’ <sup>31</sup>The second is this: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no other commandment greater than these.” <sup>32</sup>And the scribe said to him, “You are right, Teacher. You have truly said that he is one, and there is no other besides him. <sup>33</sup>And to love him with all the heart and with all the understanding and with all the strength, and to love one’s neighbor as oneself, is much more than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices.” <sup>34</sup>And when Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, “You are not far from the kingdom of God.” And after that no one dared to ask him any more questions.

<sup>35</sup>And as Jesus taught in the temple, he said, “How can the scribes say that the Christ is the son of David? <sup>36</sup>David himself, in the Holy Spirit, declared, “The Lord said to my Lord, Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet.’

<sup>37</sup>David himself calls him Lord. So how is he his son?” And the great throng heard him gladly.

**L** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Responsory – “Deliver Me, O Lord”** *Creative Worship for the Lutheran Parish*



De - liv - er me, O Lord; Sal - va - tion is from  
 You. My en - e - mies with sword At - tack and rise a -  
 new. Pro - tect me, God; In You, I trust  
 To raise from dust This beg - gared fraud.

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*Sit*

**SERMON**

*Stand*

## CANTICLE

- L** Let my prayer rise before You as incense,  
**C** and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.

### 934 My Soul Now Magnifies the Lord



1 My soul now mag - ni - fies the Lord; My spir - it  
2 For He a - lone who shows such might Has done a -  
3 His arm is strong; His strength is great. He scat - ters  
4 He feeds the hun - gry as His own; The wealth - y



leaps for joy in Him. He keeps me in His kind re -  
maz - ing things to me. His mer - cy flows; His name like  
those of proud in - tent And casts them down from high es -  
leave with emp - ty hands. He gives His help to Is - ra -



gard, And I am blest for time to come.  
light Re - mains in time per - pet - ual - ly.  
tate, Then gives the low His nour - ish - ment.  
el; His gra - cious prom - ise al - ways stands.

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St. Luke's Lutheran Church  
4801 Anderson Avenue  
Manhattan, KS 66503
3. Give through our **website**:  
<https://stlukesmanhattan.org/about-us/financial-support/>
4. **Electronic Funds Transfer/Sign up** through the church office.

## PRAYER

### KYRIE

LSB 233

**C** Lord, have mercy;  
Christ, have mercy;  
Lord, have mercy.

### LORD'S PRAYER

**P** Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

**C** 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.

### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

**P** O Lord, hear my prayer.

**C** And let my cry come to You.

**P** Almighty and everlasting God, grant us by Your grace so to pass through this holy time of our Lord's passion that we may obtain the forgiveness of our sins; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

**P** O God, You have commanded us to love You with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength; and to love our neighbors as ourselves. Strengthen us by Your own redeeming love that we might reflect Your steadfast love to the world; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

## **BENEDICAMUS**

**P** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## **BENEDICTION**

**P** The grace of our Lord ✠ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C** **Amen.**

## HYMN TO DEPART

### 425 WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDROUS CROSS



1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross On which the  
2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast Save in the  
3 See, from His head, His hands, His feet Sor - row and  
4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, That were a



Prince of Glo - ry died, My rich - est gain I  
death of Christ, my God; All the vain things that  
love flow min - gled down! Did e'er such love and  
trib - ute far too small; Love so a - maz - ing,



count but loss And pour con - tempt on all my pride.  
charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to His blood.  
sor - row meet Or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?  
so di - vine, De - mands my soul, my life, my all!

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