

*I PRAY INCESSANTLY
FOR THE CONVERSION
OF THE
PRODIGAL SON'S
BROTHER. EVER IN
MY EAR RINGS
THE DREAD WARNING:
THE ONE AWOKE FROM
HIS LIFE OF SIN—
WHEN WILL THE
OTHER AWAKEN
FROM HIS VIRTUE?*

- Don Helder Camara



Fourth Sunday in Lent
March 27, 2022
Our Savior's Lutheran, ELCA

Order of Worship

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

Invocation

*Gathering Hymn

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"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"



1 Come, thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless-ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
2 Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer: "Hith-er by thy help I've come";
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con-strained to be;



streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
let that grace now like a fet - ter bind my wan-d'ring heart to thee.



While the hope of end - less glo - ry fills my heart with joy and love,
Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, wan - d'ring from the fold of God;
Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love.



teach me ev - er to a - dore thee; may I still thy good - ness prove.
he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

Text: Robert Robinson, 1735–1790, alt.

Music: NETTLETON, J. Wyeth, *Repository of Sacred Music*, Part II, 1813

*Confession/Forgiveness

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity...

C: Amen

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L: Almighty God....

C: Amen

L: 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.

L: In the mercy...

C: Amen.

A Reading from 2 Corinthians... (2 Cor. 5: 16-21)

Apostolic Greeting

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Kyrie

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(Sung) L: In Peace....

C: Lord Have Mercy (repeat)

Lament for Peace and Healing

700 (tune- 778)

*1 Where armies scourge the countryside,
and people flee in fear,
where sirens scream through flaming
nights,
and death is ever near:*

Refrain

***O God of mercy, hear our prayer:
bring peace to earth again!***

*2 Where anger festers in the heart,
and strikes with cruel hand;
where violence stalks
the troubled streets,
and terror haunts the land: **Refrain***

*3 Where homes are torn by bitter strife,
and love dissolves in blame;
where walls you meant
for shelt'ring care
hide deeds of hurt and shame: **Refrain***

*4 O God, whose heart compassionate
bears ev'ry human pain,
redeem this violent,
wounding world
till gentleness shall reign. **Refrain***

Text: Herman G. Stuempfle Jr., b. 1923

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Prayer of the Day

Jesus Loves me! This I know, for the bible tells me so; little ones to him belong, they are weak, but he is strong. Yes, Jesus loves me, yes, Jesus loves me, yes, Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so.

Let the Children Come....

Holy Gospel

Luke 15: 1-32

I love Jesus, does He know? Have I ever told Him so? Jesus loves to hear me say, that I love Him every day. Yes, Jesus loves me, yes, Jesus loves me, yes, Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so.

Sermon

Sermon Hymn

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“Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling”



1 Soft - ly and ten - der - ly Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing for
2 Why should we tar - ry when Je - sus is plead - ing, plead - ing for
3 Oh, for the won - der - ful love he has prom - ised, prom - ised for



you and for me. See, on the por - tals he's wait - ing and watch - ing,
you and for me? Why should we lin - ger and heed not his mer - cies,
you and for me! Though we have sinned, he has mer - cy and par - don,

Refrain



watch - ing for you and for me.
mer - cies for you and for me? “Come home, come home!
par - don for you and for me.



You who are wea - ry, come home.” Ear - nest - ly, ten - der - ly,



Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing, “O sin - ner, come home!”

Text: Will L. Thompson, 1847–1909

Music: THOMPSON, Will L. Thompson

Prayers of the People

L:Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

Sharing the Peace

Offering Invitation

Offering

Offering Prayer

*The Great Thanksgiving

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(Sung) L: The Lord...

C: And also with you,

L: Lift up...

C: We light them to the Lord.

L: Let us give...

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

L: It is indeed...

Holy, Holy, Holy

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(Sung) **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.**

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

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Lamb of God

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(Sung) **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.**

Sharing the Meal

*Communion Blessing

*Communion Prayer

“What Wondrous Love Is This”



1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What
2 When I was sink-ing down, sink-ing down, sink-ing down, when
3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing; to
4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on; and



won - drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is this
I was sink - ing down, sink-ing down, when I was sink - ing down
God and to the Lamb I will sing; to God and to the Lamb,
when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and when from death I'm free,



that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dread-ful curse for my
be - neath God's righ-teous frown, Christ laid a - side his crown for my
who is the great I AM, while mil - lions join the theme, I will
I'll sing God's love for me, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing



soul, for my soul, to bear the dread-ful curse for my soul?
soul, for my soul, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul.
sing, I will sing, while mil - lions join the theme, I will sing.
on, I'll sing on; and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

Text: North American folk hymn, 19th cent., alt.

Music: WONDROUS LOVE, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835

*Blessing

*Sending

L: Go in peace to love God and serve your neighbor

C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR MARCH 27th, 2022.

SOUP SUPPERS & LENTEN, & HOLY WEEK SERVICES: Wednesday Soup Suppers are 5pm each week and the Lenten Service follows at 6pm, through April 6th. There is a **sign-up sheet to serve** on the left side door entering the kitchen.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE: *Palm Sunday Service is April 10th at 9:30am, Maundy Thursday Service is April 14th at 6pm, Good Friday Service is April 15th at 6pm, and Easter Sunday's Worship Service is April 17th at 9:30am.*



NEW ADDRESS for giving to Lutheran World Relief: *If you wish to give, make checks payable to Lutheran World Relief and write "Ukraine Match" on your check's memo line, and send to **Lutheran World Relief, P.O. Box 17061, Baltimore, MD 21297-1061.** You may also call **800-638-3522** to donate. SEE INSERT!*

MARCH FOOD DRIVE: Quad Cities Food Shelf could use monetary donations the most to help stock up for March's food drive. If you would like to give, make your checks out to "Quad Cities Food Shelf" and send it to them at: P.O. Box 680, Virginia, MN 55792.

CLOTHING SALE: **We are now taking donations** of clean, gently used clothing for the spring sale April 29-30th. Clothing for all seasons needed! *Please **DO NOT** bring donations for a used-a-bit (stuff) sale. We do not have a sale scheduled and there is no room to store donations until one can be planned. Proceeds for the sale will go to local non-profit community organizations.

YOU'RE INVITED! Come join us the week before the sale to sort and set up tables!

OSLC CLOTHES LINE: Our Clothes Line is still at the west wing door entrance. We could use cold weather items right now! Coats, sweaters, boots, hats, mittens, gloves, scarves... If you have anything to donate, just pull up and deposit your items on the clothing line.

QUILTING: You are invited to join quilters anytime you want Wednesdays 9am until 2 or 3pm to help piece them together. They break for coffee and at noon for lunch. **Quilters could use your gently used flannel fabric or sheets** if you have extras at home – we will be making baby kits & receiving blankets to send to Ukraine/Poland!

GREAT NEWS FOR OUR BROADCAST! The Radio Station has secured **104.9 FM** for broadcasting so now you can listen to either 1340AM, or the new FM channel. The antenna will be going through updates this spring so this will give you two places to listen to our broadcast Sundays. If you would like to sponsor a broadcast in honor of a special date or in memory of someone special in your life, contact the church office with the date you have in mind. Full sponsorship is \$90, partial/shared is \$45. Dan and Judy Peliska are sponsors of today's broadcast, thank you!

FLOWERS FOR EASTER: There will be no fundraiser this year, but you are invited to bring flowers to decorate the Sanctuary for Easter. You can bring them into the Fellowship Hall during Holy Week and they will be brought to the Sanctuary (for Easter) after the Good Friday Service. Call Jamie at Eveleth Floral (218-744-3340) to order for delivery, or pick them up on your own, then take your flowers home after worship to enjoy for your Easter dinner (place your name somewhere on the flowers so you get the ones you ordered).

MEN'S BREAKFAST: The men's group is meeting for breakfast at the Tini Square Deli Wednesday mornings at 7:30am. You are invited to join us!

TIME & TALENT SHEETS: Time & Talent sheets can be deposited in the basket in the narthex. Please prayerfully consider how God can use your time and talents in OSLC and the community.

OFFICE HOURS: The Church office hours are Mon-Wed from 10am to 4pm, and Friday 10am to 4pm (Pastor Tim will have Mondays off and Colleen has Thursdays off). If you need anything call us ahead of time at the church to make sure we are there and able to help you – sometimes we are running errands or at the post office. **The church office phone is 218-741-6207, and Pastor Tim's cell # is 320-226-7074. If we do not answer, please leave us a detailed message so we can return your call promptly.*

FOR THE PRAYER CHAIN: You may call Ginny Ahrlin @ 218-749-4718 for the month of March.

We pray for people in need of comfort, hope, healing, or safe transition: Gus, Sharon, Jared, Butch, Aaron, Kim, Ross, Arthur, Abi M., Jen, Bonnie, Rodney, Tyler, Wally, Harlow, 7 yo girl, Laura, Kathy, Mary, Piper, Marilee, Faye A., Ed, Helen, Steve, Janet, Kathryn, Gerilyn, Shay, Martha, Bob & Betty, Bonnie, Victoria, Bob & Wife, Ken & Wife, Bonnie, Jeanette, Carolyn, Dorothy.

A CALL FOR PEOPLE TO JOIN OUR PRAYER CHAIN: *If you have a heart of compassion for others, you are more than equipped to pray for people in their time of need. Being a part of a prayer chain involves spending a few moments of your week passing along a request to another person on the chain, and then praying for that person's need or praise. It's a ministry that doesn't require a great deal of time – but it has a significant impact on people's lives. We all could probably speak of the blessings & comfort we have experienced through prayer, so let our faith grow deeper as we act on behalf of others and become engaged with what God is doing in the world. Call Janet Heglund if you have questions or would like to hear more about this ministry: 218-749-6143.*

YOU ARE INVITED

**Join us for a 5:00 pm Soup Supper
& Worship at 6:00 pm every
Wednesday through April 6th.**



LENT

Soup Suppers & Worship provide a way for us to gather once a week during Lent and experience the journey of repentance & remembrance together.

Easter Flowers

During Holy Week bring in flowers you have purchased to brighten the Sanctuary for Easter! You can call Eveleth Floral @ 744-3340 for delivery Or pick-up. Put your name on them if you want & take home after worship.



OSLC'S ENDOWMENT FUND

Your giving has enabled the Endowment Fund to grow and bless our community in so many ways. The Endowment Committee has given to the following ministries:

Quad Cities Food Shelf \$1000

Care Partners \$500

ELCA World Hunger \$500

Mission Jamaica Legacy \$500

NEMN United Way \$500

LSS Center for Changing Lives \$500

Voyageurs Lutheran Ministry \$1500

Thank you for your faithfulness to the Lord and to the ministries of OSLC and your community.