

Garfield Lutheran Church, ELCA Lac Qui Parle Lutheran Church, ELCA

*The
Season
of
Lent*



March 24, 2019

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The Third Sunday in Lent – March 24, 2019

ORGAN PRELUDE and CHURCH BELL

PASTORAL GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS

EXTINGUISHING OF LENTEN CANDLE

Pastor: Let us speak with confidence

Cong: We will see God's goodness all around us.

Pastor: We need to wait on God- to discover what God wants us to do.

Cong: as we wait, our confidence will be strong and we will trust God.

Pastor: We extinguish the second candle- reminding us of the things of the world that entice us away from God. May we keep our eyes on God, who has shown us his love through his Son, Jesus Christ. Let us pray: O God, help us to comprehend that this world we live in is not everlasting. But you call us to prepare ourselves for your kingdom which is truly everlasting.

Cong: Amen.

CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who gathers us in the wilderness to redeem us, anoint us, and make us new.

Cong: Amen.

Pastor: In these forty days, let us be honest, confess our sin, and receive God's promise of mercy.

(Silence is kept for reflection.)

Pastor: God at the margins,

All: We have wandered far from your home; again and again, we lose our way. We turn inward, afraid of the world around us. We forget that you have saved your people before and promise to do so again. Do not remember the deeds of our past, but turn our faces toward the future, where your forgiveness is sure, your welcome is clear, and your love overflows. Amen.

Pastor: Like a hen who gathers her chicks, God embraces you in tender care. Like manna in the desert, God feeds you with surprising mercy. Like a loving parent, God runs to meet you again this day, forgiving your sins for the sake of † Christ, leading you from death into life.

Cong: Amen.

GATHERING SONG

"We Praise You, O God"

ELW 870

GREETING and KYRIE

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LENTEN LITANY

Pastor: "I will lead the blind by a road they do not know," says the Lord; "by paths they have not known, I will guide them."

Cong: "I will turn the darkness before them into light, and rough places into level ground."

Pastor: I look to the Lord for help always. He rescues me from danger, he restores my soul.

(Tune of "Abide With Me")

(Sung)

**Open our eyes, O Lord; restore our sight
That we may turn from darkness to the light.
That we may see and, seeing, trust you more,
Lord, to our eyes of faith our sight restore!**

Pastor: Restore the vision of the blind, O Lord; restore the hearing of all who are deaf to your message.

Cong: You know my way, O Lord; restore my fainting spirit. Rescue me from every snare, so that I may give thanks to your name.

Pastor: I look to the Lord for help always. He rescues me from danger, he restores my soul.

**Create in me a heart made clean from sin. (Sung)
A steadfast spirit, Lord, renew within.
Your holy Spirit ne'er remove from me,
But in your saving joy, Lord, make me free.**

Pastor: Restore the vision of the blind, O Lord, that we may confess Jesus as the Prophet of God made visible, the Son of Man revealed, the Messiah making known the glory of God.

Cong: I look to the Lord for help always. He rescues me from danger, he restores my soul.

Pastor: Waken us, O God; raise us from the dead. Let Christ shine upon us, that we may live as children of the light.

**Unto the Lord with broken hearts return. (Sung)
Turn from your sins, and true repentance learn.
Grace and compassion flow from heav'n above,
For God is slow to anger, filled with love.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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FIRST READING

Isaiah 55:1-9

Gar. Lector: Maizie Schacherer

LqP Lector: Lynn Marotzke

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 63:1-8

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 10:1-13

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

"We are turning..."

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Before Gospel reading: Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL

Luke 13:1-9

After Gospel reading: Glory to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Bringle

HYMN OF THE DAY

"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

ELW 597

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.***

On the third day, he rose again; he ascended into heaven,

**He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Pastor: Hear us, O God.

Cong: Your mercy is great.

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

OFFERING

OFFERTORY (Gar) *"We Give Thee But Thine Own"* ELW 686
(LqP) *"We Are an Offering"* ELW 692

OFFERING PRAYER

Pastor: Generous God, you feed us with the harvest of the land, and you provide for our every need.
Receive our gifts of money, imagination, and labor, and transform them into a feast that
welcomes all, in Jesus Christ, our host and our guest.

Cong: Amen.

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<i>"Let Us Break Bread Together"</i>	ELW 471
PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION	
Pastor: Tender and merciful one, at your feast, you fed us who brought nothing, turning our emptiness into joy. Filled with your abundant grace, send us now to be ministers of reconciliation, mending broken hearts, working for justice, and striving for peace among all people, in the name of Jesus Christ.	
Cong: Amen.	

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BENEDICTION

Pastor: God, who fills the creation with abundance, Christ, who spreads his arms in forgiveness, Holy Spirit, who draws ever near to us, † bless you and bring you to life everlasting.

Cong: Amen.

PASTOR DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go in peace. Remember the poor.

Cong: Thanks be to God!

SENDING SONG *"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"* ELW 733

SILENCE, CHURCH BELL and DISMISSAL

ORGAN POSTLUDE