

Central Lutheran Church  
First Sunday in Lent  
February 26, 2023  
8:30 & 11am Worship

## Welcome to Central!

**Central Lutheran Church**, a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and the Oregon Synod, is a Reconciling in Christ community: We affirm that Christ has made us one body with many members, all sharing in God's wondrous grace and unconditional love. We celebrate both the human variation and inclusive unity of God's family. Following Jesus' example, we embrace all of God's people regardless of ethnicity, physical and mental abilities, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or economic circumstance. With welcoming hearts, we invite you to join us in worship, fellowship, and ministry.

Our mission is to be the hands and feet of Jesus by *loving* God and one another, *nurturing* faithful living, *servicing* those in need, and *sharing* the Gospel.

**Parents of young children:** We welcome the sound of little ones making a joyful noise in worship and so we encourage children and parents to worship together. If it is helpful to you, you are additionally welcome to utilize the children's space located adjacent to the Narthex (entrance) to the Sanctuary.

**Large print bulletins** as well as **hearing assistance receivers are available**. Also, if your personal hearing device has a **T-Coil there are Hearing Loops** in the Sanctuary and Parish Hall.

**During the season of Lent our Sunday Adult Education Hour** (9:45-10:45am) will take place in the Parish Hall while children are invited to meet in the Godly Play room. **Mid-week Lenten worship** will take place as part of our Together Tuesdays programming beginning with Soup Supper at 5:15pm followed by Music Together, Children's Choir, and Adult Education at 6pm and concluding with Holden Evening Prayer at 7pm. **New Members will be received on Palm Sunday.**

## CALL TO WORSHIP

The Carillon

### PRELUDE

(11:00) *Gavottes in G Minor and D Major* Bach C.J. Strietelmeier, Violin

### WELCOME

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS *(please stand as you are able)*

In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for self-examination*

Most Merciful God,  
**we confess that we are in bondage 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, as that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

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 ministry 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. **Amen.**

# HYMN #504 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God



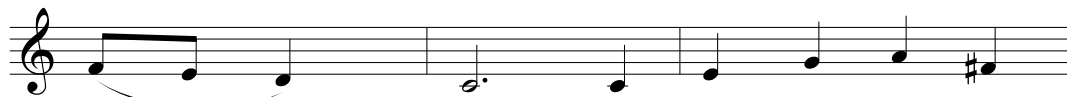
1 A might - y for - tress is our God, A  
 2 No strength of ours can match his might! We  
 3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land All  
 4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, No



sword and shield vic - to - rious; He  
 would be lost, re - ject - ed. But  
 threat - ning to de - vour us, We  
 thanks to foes, who fear it; For



breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod And wins sal - va - tion  
 now a cham - pion comes to fight, Whom God him - self e -  
 trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; They can - not o - ver -  
 God him - self fights by our side With weap - ons of the



glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic  
 lect - ed. You ask who this may  
 pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant  
 Spir - it; Were they to take our



foe has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful  
 be? The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus might - y  
 rage; In bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to  
 house, Goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, Though life be wrenched a -



might he arms him - self to fight, On  
 Lord, God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He  
 fail; God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One  
 way, They can - not win the day; The



earth he has no e - qual.  
 holds the field vic - to - rious.  
 lit - tle word sub - dues him.  
 king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

## **GREETING**

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

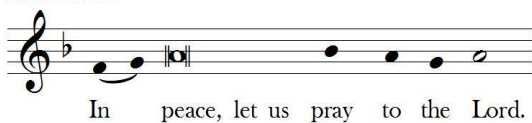
## **KYRIE (8:30) Maurice Duruflé**

<i>Kyrie eleison.</i>	Lord, have mercy upon us.
<i>Christe eleison.</i>	Christ, have mercy upon us.
<i>Kyrie eleison.</i>	Lord, have mercy upon us.

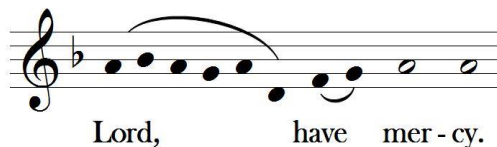
### The Chorale

with Chris Peters, Trumpet; Sheri Pyron and Roger Welch, Horns;  
and Thomas Stine, Trombone

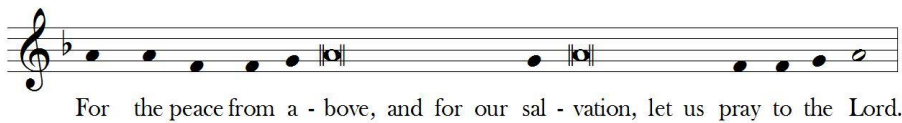
# KYRIE



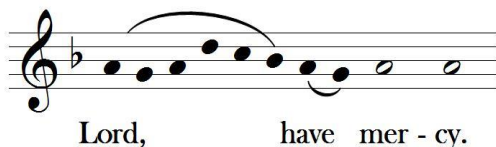
In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



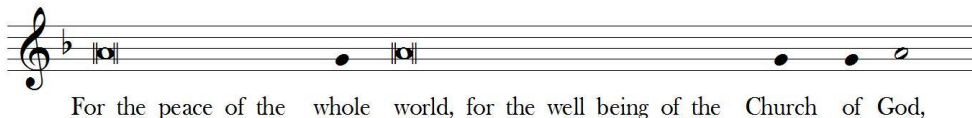
Lord, have mer-cy.



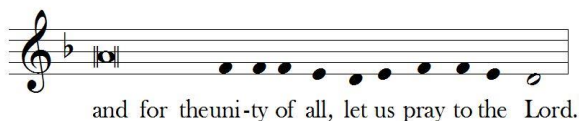
For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



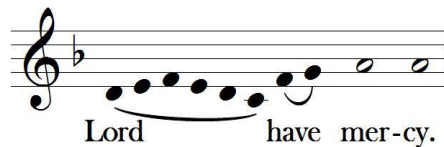
Lord, have mer - cy.



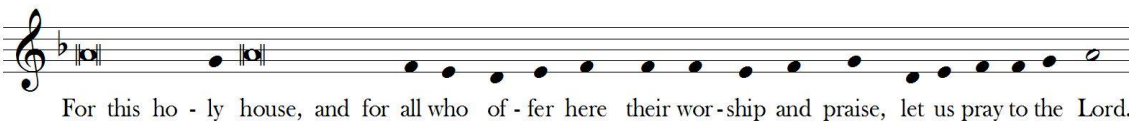
For the peace of the whole world, for the well being of the Church of God,



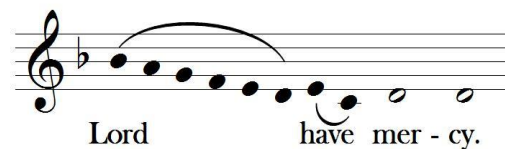
and for the uni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



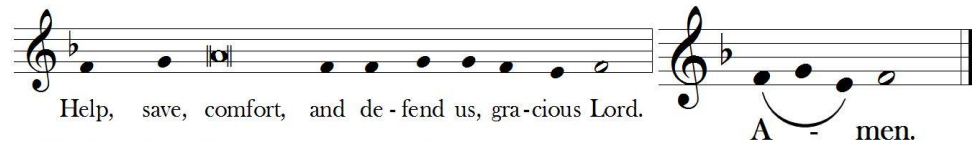
Lord have mer-cy.



For this ho - ly house, and for all who of - fer here their wor - ship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

*The Canticle of Praise is omitted during Lent*

## SALUTATION

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. **Lord God, our strength, the struggle between good and evil rages within and around us, and the devil and all the forces that defy you tempt us with empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your word, and when we fall, raise us again and restore us through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## FIRST READING Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

<sup>15</sup>The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. <sup>16</sup>And the Lord God commanded the man, “You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; <sup>17</sup>but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.” <sup>3:1</sup>Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God say, ‘You shall not eat from any tree in the garden’?” <sup>2</sup>The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; <sup>3</sup>but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.’” <sup>4</sup>But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not die; <sup>5</sup>for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” <sup>6</sup>So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. <sup>7</sup>Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves. The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**ANTHEM (11:00)** *I Choose Love and Love Each Other* Children’s Choir

## SECOND READING Romans 5:12-19

<sup>12</sup>Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned—<sup>13</sup>sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. <sup>14</sup>Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come. <sup>15</sup>But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. <sup>16</sup>And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. <sup>17</sup>If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ. <sup>18</sup>Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. <sup>19</sup>For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous. The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## LENTEN ACCLAMATION

Handbells

Glor - ry and praise

to you, O Lord Je - sus Christ.

**Cantor:** One does not live by <sup>1</sup> bread alone,\* but by every word that comes from the <sup>1</sup> mouth of God. (**Assembly repeats Antiphon**)



## **GOSPEL Matthew 4:1-11**

The Gospel according to Matthew, the fourth chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. <sup>2</sup>He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. <sup>3</sup>The tempter came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.” <sup>4</sup>But he answered, “It is written, ‘One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.’” <sup>5</sup>Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, <sup>6</sup>saying to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, ‘He will command his angels concerning you,’ and ‘On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.’” <sup>7</sup>Jesus said to him, “Again it is written, ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’” <sup>8</sup>Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; <sup>9</sup>and he said to him, “All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.” <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to him, “Away with you, Satan! for it is written, ‘Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.’” <sup>11</sup>Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

Pastor Laurie A Jones

# HYMN OF THE DAY #320 The Glory of These Forty Days *(please stand)*

1 The glo - ry of these for - ty days we cel - e -  
 2 A - lone and fast - ing Mo - ses saw the lov - ing  
 3 So Dan - iel trained his mys - tic sight, de - liv - ered  
 4 Then grant, O God, that we may, too, re - turn in

brate with songs of praise; for Christ, through whom all  
 God who gave the law; and to E - li - jah,  
 from the li - ons' might; and John, the Bride - groom's  
 fast and prayer to you. Our spir - its strength - en

things were made, him - self has fast - ed and has prayed.  
 fast - ing, came the steeds and char - i - ots of flame.  
 friend, be - came the her - ald of Mes - si - ah's name.  
 with your grace, and give us joy to see your face.

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

With the whole church, let us confess our Christian faith using the words of 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**

### **PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

## **OUR LIFE TOGETHER**

### **OFFERTORY PRAYER** *(please stand)*

Let us pray. God of good gifts, receive these and all our offerings as we present them in faithful service for the sake of your gospel. Prepare our hearts to receive you in this meal as you pour out your very presence through Christ Jesus, the wellspring of eternal life. **Amen.**

*You may bring your offering forward during communion and place it in the plate.*

## HYMN#322 Oh, Love, How Deep (Stanzas 1-4 & 7)



1 Oh, love, how deep, how broad, how high, be - yond all  
2 God sent no an - gel to our race, of high - er  
3 For us bap - tized, for us he bore his ho - ly  
4 For us he prayed; for us he taught; for us his



thought and fan - ta - sy, that God, the Son of  
or of low - er place, but wore the robe of  
fast and hun - gered sore; for us temp - ta - tion  
dai - ly works he wrought, by words and signs and



God, should take our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake!  
hu - man frame, in Christ our Lord to this world came.  
sharp he knew; for us the tempt - er o - ver - threw.  
ac - tions thus still seek - ing not him - self, but us.

- 5 For us by wickedness betrayed,  
for us, in crown of thorns arrayed,  
he bore the shameful cross and death;  
for us he gave his dying breath.
- 6 For us he rose from death again;  
for us he went on high to reign;  
for us he sent his Spirit here  
to guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.
- 7 All glory to our Lord and God  
for love so deep, so high, so broad:  
the Trinity whom we adore  
forever and forevermore.

## 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

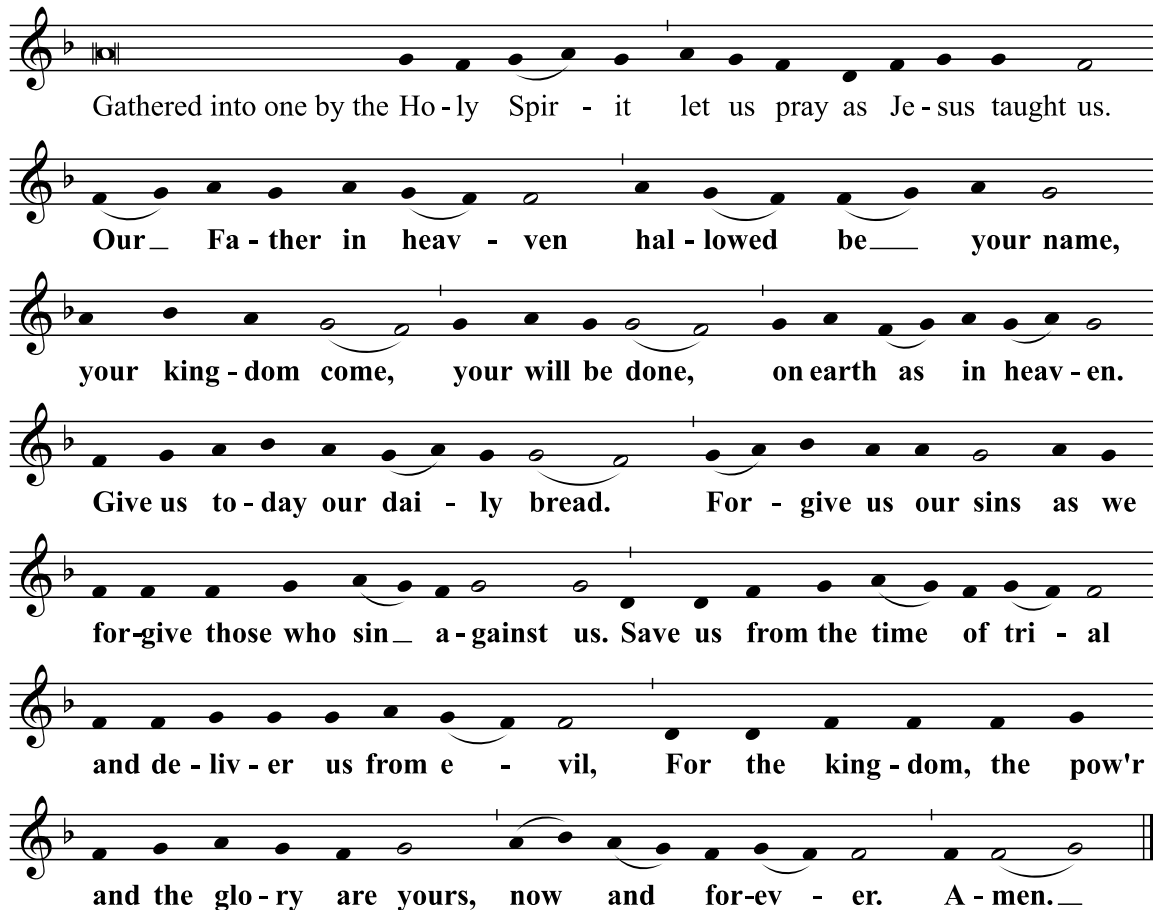
It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through Christ our Lord. You bid your people cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast. Renew our zeal in faith and life, and bring us to the fullness of grace that belongs to the children of God. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

### SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and 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 high - est,

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

### LORD'S PRAYER



Gathered into one by the Ho - ly Spir - it let us pray as Je - sus taught us.

Our\_ Fa - ther in heav - ven hal - lowed be\_ your name,

your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav - en.

Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins as we

for - give those who sin\_ a - gainst us. Save us from the time of tri - al

and de - liv - er us from e - vil, For the king - dom, the pow'r

and the glo - ry are yours, now and for - ev - er. A - men.\_

### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

### DISTRIBUTION

### ANTHEM

*As the Deer Runs to the River* Hurd

Cantor

## LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world;  
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way  
the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,  
You take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace. A-men

## BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray. O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace. **Amen.**

### HYMN **Go Now in Peace** (Stanza 2 sung as a round at 8:30)

\* Round begins on 2nd Stanza

1. Go now in peace though friends must part, Your pre-sence lives in ev' - ry heart.  
2. Go now in hope, and hope - ful stay, Though shad-owed val-leys hide your way;  
Your gifts to us no words can tell: Go now in peace, in Christ go well.  
Through good and e - vil, joy and pain, With God in Spir - it, you re-main.

## DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## ORGAN VOLUNTARY *Fugue based upon the name ALAIN* Duruflé



Jehan Alain, a young and promising French organist/composer, died during World War II leaving only a few brilliant compositions, one of which is entitled **Litanies**

and is regularly heard as a voluntary here at Central. Crafting a melody using the letters of ALAIN by extending the musical alphabet using the German system, Duruflé composed this **Prelude and Fugue** in homage to a young talent who suffered a premature death.

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**Cantor at 11am:** Steve Rodgers

Date	2023 Lent/Holy Week/Easter Schedule
February 26, March 5, 12, 19, 26	Sundays in Lent Worship at 8:30am & 11am with Education between services 9:45-10:45am
February 28, March 7, 14, 21, 28	Together Tuesdays - 5:15-6pm Soup Supper; 6pm Music Together, Children's Choir, Adult Ed; 7pm Holden Evening Prayer Worship
April 2 Palm Sunday	Worship with Reception of New Members at 8:30am & 11am
April 6 Maundy Thursday	Maundy Thursday Worship at 7:30pm
April 7 Good Friday	Prayer Vigil noon-3pm in the Chapel; Good Friday Worship at 7:30pm in the Sanctuary
April 8 Holy Saturday	Easter Egg Hunt at 10am (meet in the Parish Hall)
April 9 Easter Sunday	The Resurrection of Our Lord Festival Worship at 8:30am & 11am



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