THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

Divine Service – Setting Three St. Mark Evangelical Lutheran Church – Mendon, New York March 30, 2025

Prelude

Welcome



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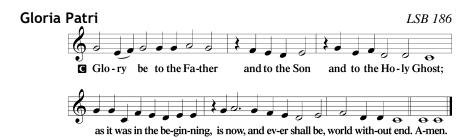
Confession and Absolution

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- **P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.
- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Service of the Word



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C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us.

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.



Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 12:1–6

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

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Holy Gospel

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fifteenth chapter.



P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

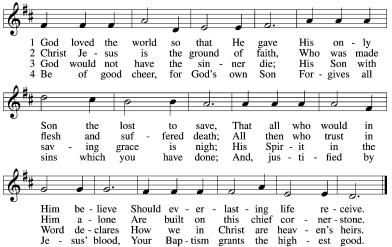
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom

all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

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571 God Loved the World So That He Gave



5 If you are sick, if death is near, This truth your troubled heart can cheer: Christ Jesus saves your soul from death; That is the firmest ground of faith.

 \triangle 6 Glory to God the Father, Son, And Holy Spirit, Three in One! To You, O blessèd Trinity,

Be praise now and eternally!

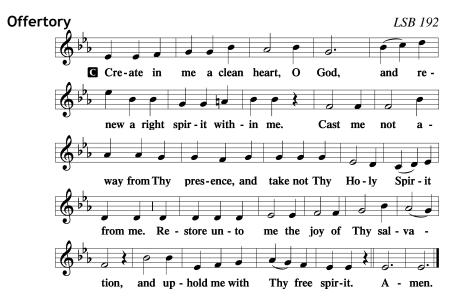
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Sermon

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Prayer of the Church

- Lord, in Your mercy,
- hear our prayer.

Service of the Sacrament



Proper Preface (Full)

It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

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Ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;

heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,

ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,

bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Lord's Prayer

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.

Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

The Words of Our Lord

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

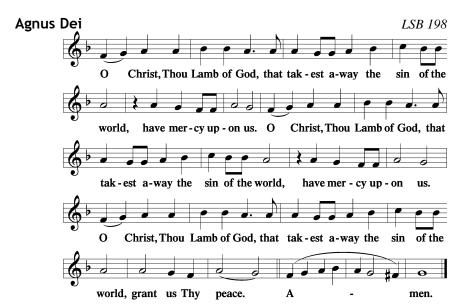
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."





P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.





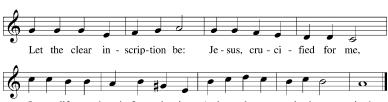
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That life's rich-es, cares, and plea-sures Nev-er may Your work e-rase;



Is my life, my hope's foun - da - tion, And my glo - ry and sal - va - tion! Text: Thomas Hansen Kingo, 1634–1703; tr. Peer O. Strömme, 1856–1921, alt. Tune: Johann Balthasar König, 1691–1758 Text and tune: Public domain





Thou hast suffered men to bruise Thee,
 That from pain I might be free;

 Falsely did Thy foes accuse Thee:
 Thence I gain security;

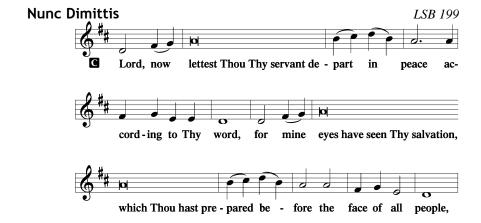
 Comfortless Thy soul did languish
 Me to comfort in my anguish.

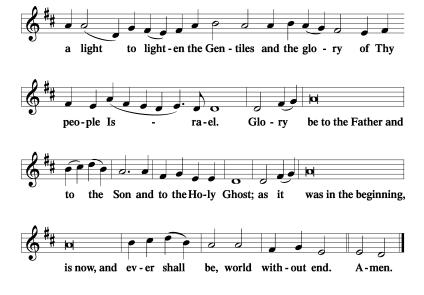
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be, Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.

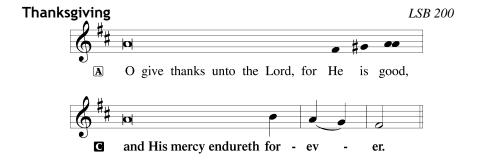
- 6 Thou hast suffered great affliction
 And hast borne it patiently,
 Even death by crucifixion,
 Fully to atone for me;
 Thou didst choose to be tormented
 That my doom should be prevented.
 Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,
 Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.
- 7 Then, for all that wrought my pardon,
 For Thy sorrows deep and sore,
 For Thine anguish in the Garden,
 I will thank Thee evermore,
 Thank Thee for Thy groaning, sighing,
 For Thy bleeding and Thy dying,
 For that last triumphant cry,
 And shall praise Thee, Lord, on high.

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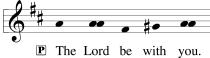
Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.













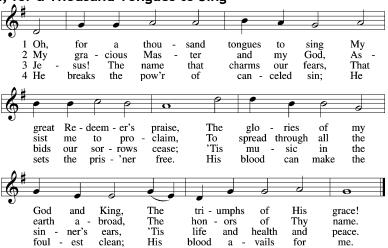




The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.



528 Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing



- Look unto Him, ye nations; ownYour God, ye fallen race.Look and be saved through faith alone,Be justified by grace.
- See all your sins on Jesus laid;
 The Lamb of God was slain.
 His soul was once an off ring made
 For ev'ry soul of man.
- To God all glory, praise, and love
 Be now and ever giv'n
 By saints below and saints above,
 The Church in earth and heav'n.

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Announcements

Special Meeting of Voters Assembly: There will be a brief special meeting of the Voters Assembly in the Fellowship Hall following worship on Sunday April 6. The two agenda items are a 1st Quarter Financial Update and a vote on the estimate for power washing the church and Parish House.

Ladies Aid is sponsoring a food drive for the month of March to benefit the Honeoye Falls Food Pantry. Here are their current needs:

Juice, flour, sugar, bagged white rice, tomato paste, vegetable oil, crackers, cookies, children's snacks, cereal, coffee, green and regular black teas and toilet tissue.

The food pantry is NOT in need of the following items: Canned vegetables, canned beans, canned tuna, soup, pasta, canned meals or cake mixes.

April 20th is Easter Sunday! He is Risen – Alleluia! Help make the church look festive and reflect our joy of our Lord's resurrection by ordering an Easter Lily. If you would like to contribute to the adornment of the church, send in a donation, or put a donation in the offering plate on or before Sunday April 13. It is a free-will donation, so, any amount would be appreciated. Those who contribute may take a lily home after Easter. Any remaining lilies will continue to beautify the church and later be shared with our shut-ins. If interested, the check should be made out to St. Mark Lutheran Church. Please be sure to note "Easter Lilies" on the check. Thank you and may you have a joyous Easter!