



Life of Tree
By Paul Granland

First Sunday in Lent
February 22, 2026

Arlington Hills Lutheran Church
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Life Tree

In John 15:5 Jesus said, "I am the vine you are the branches."
This message was the basis for the New Testament Doors sculpture at
Gustavus Adolphus College and for this new work, "Life Tree."

In "Life Tree" a cruciform at the center of the sculpture is born out of the
roots and main trunk of the tree or vine element and the figures develop
out of shoots or branches from the main vine.

The cyclical pattern of life is developed by the figurative elements
beginning in the lower left and moving clockwise to the lower right.

We see a child cradled in the arms of her mother. A vigorous adolescent
male, a mature female and finally an old man that has folded himself
inward into a fetal posture

The Christ image is at the center of this family in every season of life.

Paul T. Granlund
A Life Tree Sculpture
A gift to God's Glory.

Donated by:
Marlene G. Hackman
August 10, 1987

***This sculpture and description are hanging on the wall outside the elevator on
the Sanctuary Level.***

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Introduction

Today's gospel tells of Jesus' temptation in the desert. His forty-day fast becomes the basis of our Lenten pilgrimage. In the early church Lent was a time of intense preparation for those to be baptized at the Easter Vigil. This catechetical focus on the meaning of faith is at the heart of our Lenten journey to the baptismal waters of Easter. Hungry for God's mercy, we receive the bread of life to nourish us for the days ahead.

Welcome and Announcements

(Please take some time to prepare for worship in the quiet as we light the altar candles.... If you are worshipping online, we invite you to have something to eat and something to drink, ready for communion)

Prelude "There in God's Garden" arr. Anne Krentz Organ

GATHERING

Greeting

Matt. 4:4

P: One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

All: **Amen.**

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

All: **Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin before God, who removes our guilt and blots out all offenses. Gracious God,

All: **have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.**

AM: For seeking worldly delights that deceive us and dishonor you: Gracious God,

All: **have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.**

AM: For desiring self-reliance instead of hungering for your word: Gracious God,

All: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

AM: For failing to recognize your coming reign, and for hindering the work of the Spirit: Gracious God,

All: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

AM: For drawing from the well of self-serving ambition, and for disdain the living water Christ offers: Gracious God,

All: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

AM: For disregarding voices from the margin, and for distrusting signs of your healing and hope in the world: Gracious God,

All: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

AM: For dwelling in tombs of self-pity and discontent, and for disregarding Christ's call to come forth to life: Gracious God,

ALL: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

AM: God's steadfast love, grace, and forgiveness abound. Through faith, the free gift of God, you have been clothed in the righteousness of Christ. In the name of ✝ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. The Spirit of the One who raised Christ from the dead dwells in you, pours God's love into your hearts, and gives you life and peace.

All: Amen.

Please rise, in body and/or spirit, for the Gathering Hymn

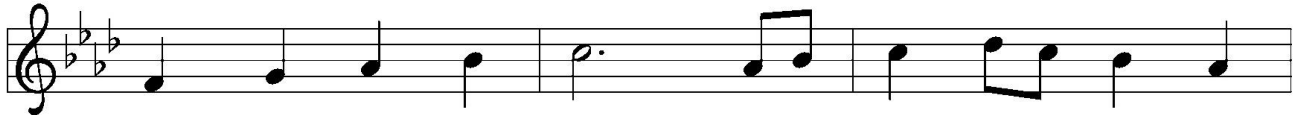
Gathering Hymn O Lord, throughout These Forty Days”

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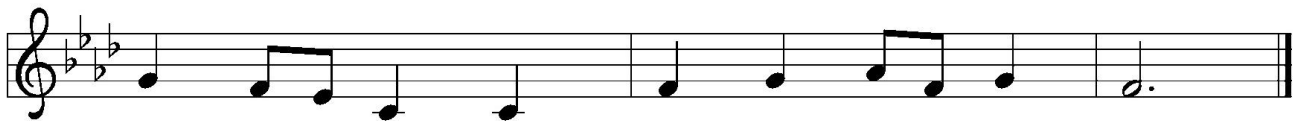
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1 O Lord, through - out these for - ty days you
2 You strove with Sa - tan, and you won; your
3 Though parched and hun - gry, yet you prayed and
4 Be with us through this sea - son, Lord, and



prayed and kept the fast; in - spire re - pen - tance
faith - ful - ness en - dured; lend us your nerve, your
fixed your mind a - bove; so teach us to de -
all our earth - ly days, that when the fi - nal



for our sin, and free us from our past.
skill and trust in God's e - ter - nal word.
ny our - selves that we may know God's love.
Eas - ter dawns, we join in heav - en's praise.

Text: based on Claudia F. Hernaman, 1838–1898; para. Gilbert E. Doan Jr., b. 1930

Music: CONSOLATION, A. Davisson, *Kentucky Harmony*, 1816

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

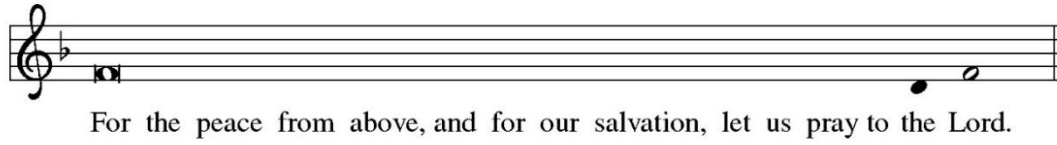
All: **And also with you.**

Please be seated

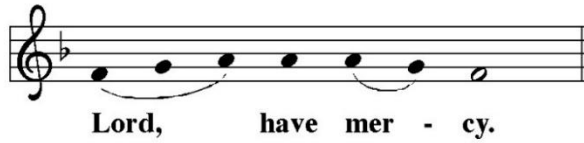
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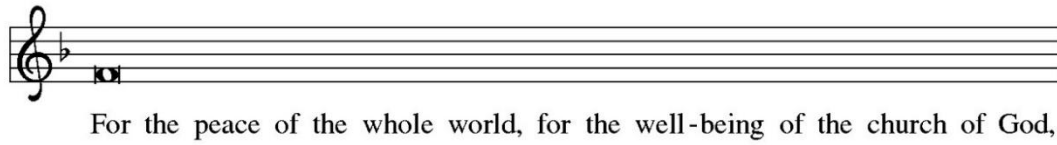
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



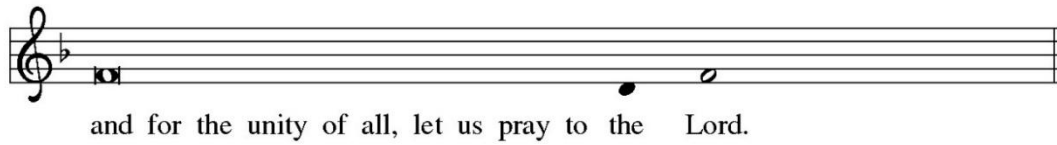
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



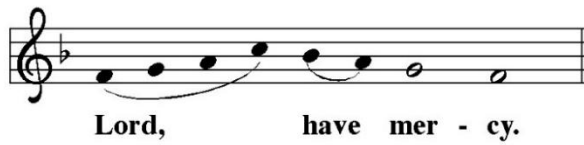
Lord, have mer - cy.



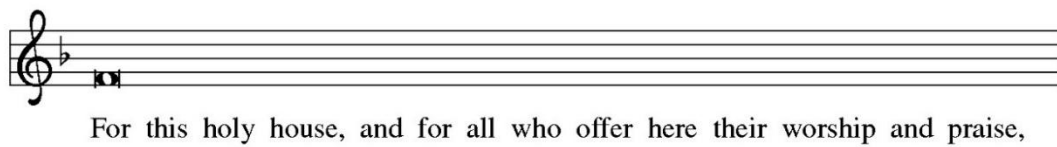
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



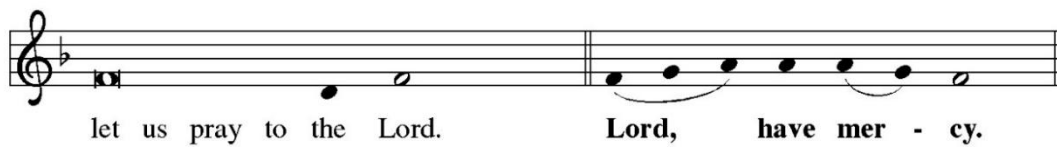
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



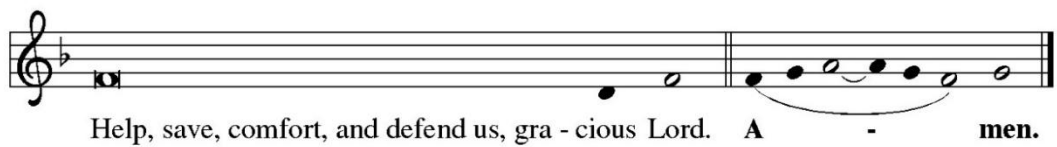
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **A - men.**

Prayer of the Day

P: 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.

All: **Amen.**

WORD

First Reading:

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

Assisting Minister

¹⁵ The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. ¹⁶ And the LORD God commanded the man, “You may freely eat of every tree of the garden, ¹⁷ 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.”

^{3:1} 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?’” ² The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, ³ 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.’” ⁴ But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not die, ⁵ for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” ⁶ 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. ⁷ 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.

AM: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 32

Read responsively by whole verse

AM: ¹ Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, and whose sin is put away!

All: ² Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt, and in whose spirit there is no guile!

AM: ³ While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, because of my groaning all day long.

All: ⁴ For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.

AM: ⁵ Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not conceal my guilt. I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD.” Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.

All: ⁶ Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.

AM: ⁷ You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

All: ⁸ “I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; I will guide you with my eye.

AM: ⁹ Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you.”

All: ¹⁰ Great are the tribulations of the wicked; but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.

AM: ¹¹ Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD; shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

Second Reading:

Romans 5:12-19

Assisting Minister

¹² 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 ¹³ for sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. ¹⁴ Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those who did not sin in the likeness of Adam, who is a pattern of the one who was to come.

¹⁵ 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 gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. ¹⁶ And the gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the gift following many trespasses brings justification. ¹⁷ If, because of the one man's trespass, death reigned through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

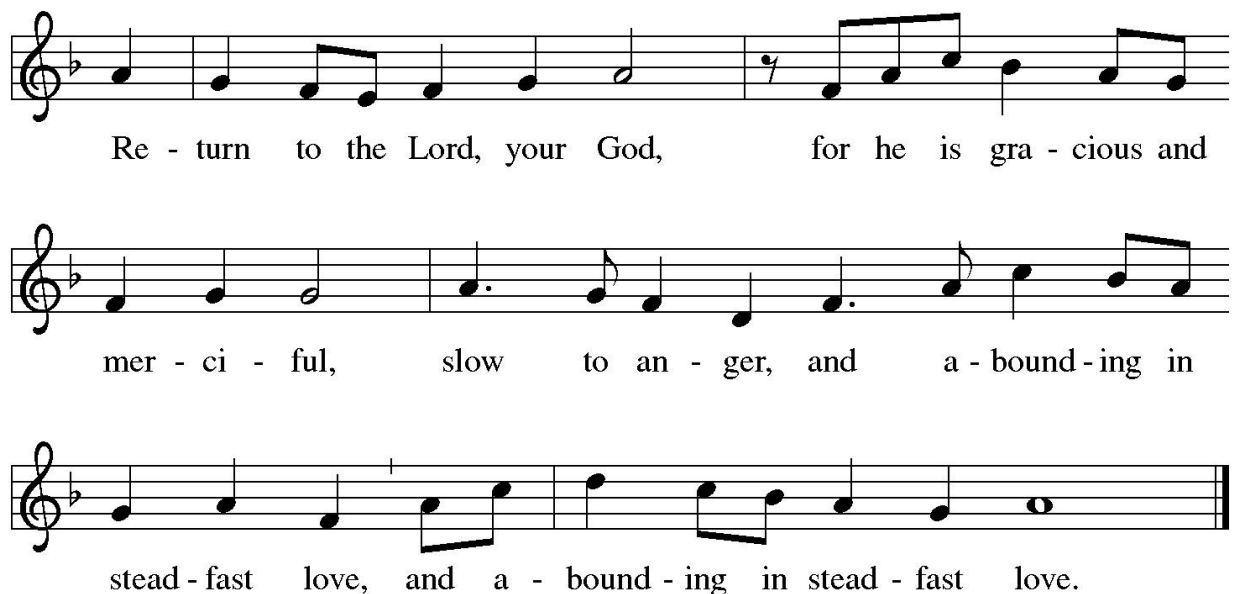
¹⁸ Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. ¹⁹ For just as through the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so through the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

AM: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Please rise, in body and/or spirit, for the Gospel reading

Gospel Acclamation



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.

P: The holy gospel according to Matthew the 17th Chapter
All: **Glory to you, O Lord**

Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11

¹ Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tested by the devil.

² He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterward he was famished.

³ The tempter came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.” ⁴

But he answered, “It is written, ‘One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.’ ” ⁵ Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, ⁶ 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.’ ” ⁷ Jesus said to him, “Again it is written, ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’ ”

⁸ Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory, ⁹ and he said to him, “All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.” ¹⁰ Then Jesus said to him, “Away with you, Satan! for it is written, ‘Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.’ ” ¹¹ Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

P: The gospel of the Lord,
All: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

Sermon

Pastor Walter Still

Please rise, in body and/or spirit, for the Hymn of the Day

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1 There in God’s gar - den stands the Tree of Wis - dom,
 2 Its name is Je - sus, name that says, “Our Sav - ior!”
 3 Thorns not its own are tan - gled in its fo - liage;
 4 See how its branch - es reach to us in wel - come;



whose leaves hold forth the heal - ing of the na - tions:
 There on its branch - es see the scars of suf - f’ring;
 our greed has starved it, our de - spite has choked it.
 hear what the Voice says, “Come to me, ye wea - ry!



Tree of all knowl - edge, Tree of all com -
 see there the ten - drils of our hu - man
 Yet, look! it lives! its grief has not de -
 Give me your sick - ness, give me all your



pas - sion, Tree of all beau - ty.
 self - hood feed on its life - blood.
 stroyed it nor fire con - sumed it.
 sor - row, I will give bless - ing.”

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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.

Please be seated for the Prayers of Intercession

Prayers of Intercession

AM: As God's beloved children united in Christ, let us pray for the church, the whole human community, and the well-being of the earth, our home.

A brief silence.

Revealing God, your Spirit sustains the church. Strengthen the faithful with the revelation of Christ transfigured, that we may joyfully follow him in the way of the cross. Merciful God,

All: receive our prayer.

AM: Life-giving God, creation is full of your majesty. Nurture in us a deep respect for the interdependence of all life and make us wise and vigilant stewards of your good earth. Merciful God,

All: receive our prayer.

AM: Peacemaking God, the nations are in turmoil. We pray for an end to violent conflicts around the world and in our cities. Give wisdom to negotiators and sanctuary to refugees. Defend any who are in danger. Merciful God,

All: receive our prayer.

AM: Healing God, you desire wholeness for all people. Bring healing to any who are experiencing illness, chronic pain, or mental anguish. Comfort the dying and those who grieve we pray especially for Marjorie Anderson, Sven & Marion Anderson, Sharon Anderson, Carolyn Brusseau, Kurt Dyrhaug, Jerry Ekblad, Richard Edge, Jan Frankenberg, Wayne Hansen, Betty Hasse,

Marcia Imsdahl, Patricia James, Jim Jaszczak, Eugene Karls, Gisela Koegh, Velta Krauze, Marilyn Nelson, Dennis Rasmusson, Priscilla Reeve, Marnie Rose, Bev Stickler, Ivanka Vicic, Ken Wagner, MaryAnn Wistrom and those we name in our hearts. Merciful God,

All: receive our prayer.

AM: Holy God, in our worship we glimpse your glory, hear your voice, and receive assurance of your love. Inspire all who prepare, lead, and participate in worship to serve you with reverence and joy. Merciful God,

All: receive our prayer.

AM: Transforming God, you bring life from death. We give thanks for the witness of those who have died in faith, we pray especially for the family of Virginia Iverson and we praise you for the hope we have in Christ, our Morning Star. Merciful God,

All: receive our prayer.

AM: Confident that the Holy Spirit receives our prayers and answers us, we commend all for whom we pray to God's loving-kindness made known to us in Christ Jesus our Savior.

All: Amen.

Please stand for the Sharing of the Peace.

Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

All: And also with you.

Please be seated for the Offertory Music

MEAL

Offering Music **"I Want Jesus to Walk with Me"** **arr. Terry D. Wilson**

Please rise, in body and/or spirit, for the Offering Song.

Offering Song

Create in Me a Clean Heart



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, and take
not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of
your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

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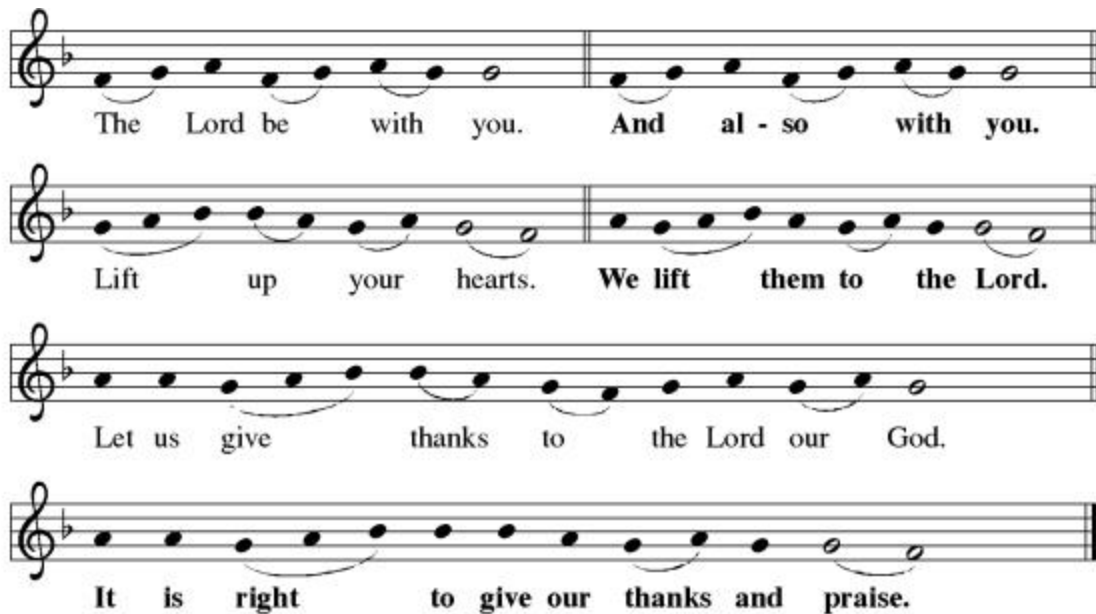
Offertory Prayer

P: God our provider, you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Please be seated.

Great Thanksgiving



The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

Pastor will sing the Preface:

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ, whose suffering and death gave salvation to all. You gather your people around the tree of the cross, transforming death into life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

All:



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. Ho -
san-na. 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.

P: Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:
Blessed are you for the birth of creation. Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light. Blessed are you for your promise to your people. Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams. Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will. Blessed are you for your Son Jesus, the Word made flesh.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling among us, full of grace and truth. We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection. We look with hope for his coming. **All: Come, Lord Jesus.**

P: Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal. May your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your light. Bring the gift of peace on earth. **All: Come, Holy Spirit.**

P: All praise and glory are yours. Holy One of Israel, Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, now and forever. **All: Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

All: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, they 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, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

P: Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! Come to the table; taste and see.

The Pastor will invite those worshipping with us at home to share Christ's presence in the bread/wine/juice that they have prepared. Then the congregation will sing "Lamb of God".

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.

Communion

As pastor comes down to serve communion you may come forward. Please form a single line to receive the bread from him by holding out your palms to receive the wafer. Once you receive the bread, you may go to the communion assistant on the side closest to where you were seated to receive the wine. If you are unable to come forward, please let an usher know, and we will bring communion to you. Please feel free to say "Amen" after you receive each element if you wish.

Communion Anthem

“Thy Holy Wings”

arr. Anne Krentz Organ

Table Blessing

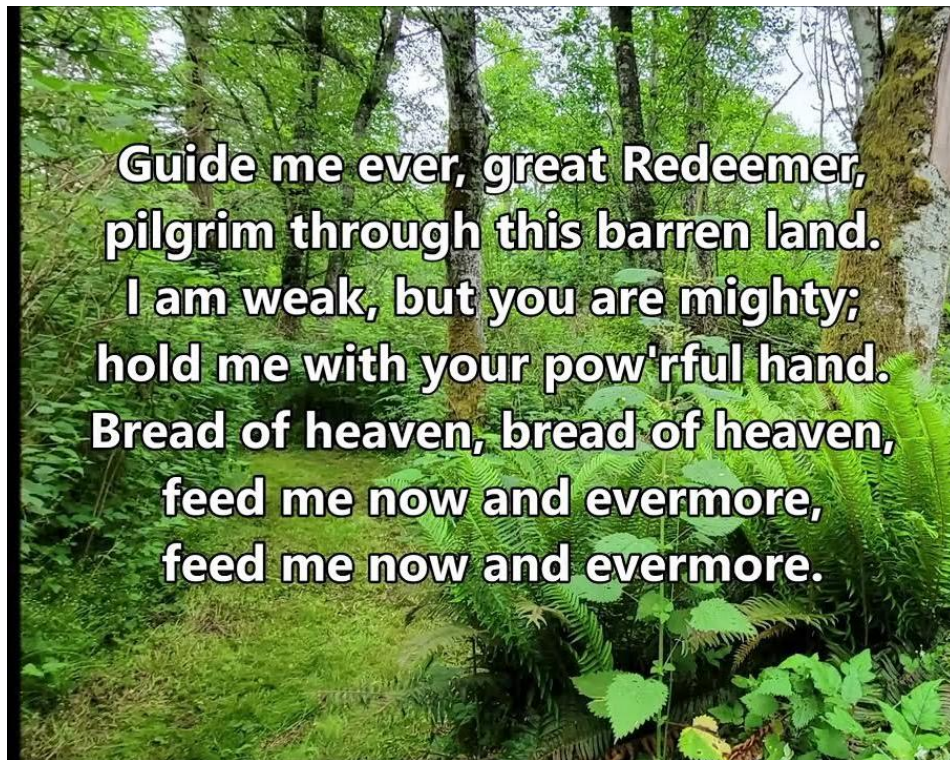
P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
All: Amen

Prayer after Communion

P: Radiant God, we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. In the sacrament of his body and blood you have drawn us to your heart. Send us from this table with delight, that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love, and bear witness to all we have seen and heard, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
All: Amen.

Sending

Please rise, in body and/or spirit, for the Sending Hymn.



Sending Hymn “Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer” ELW# 618

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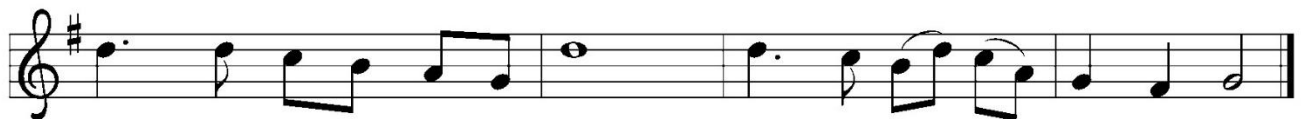
1 Guide me ev - er, great Re - deem - er, pil - grim through this
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain where the heal - ing
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious



bar - ren land. I am weak, but you are might - y; hold me
 wa - ters flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me
 fears sub - side; death of death and hell's de - struc - tion, land me



with your pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,
 all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - 'rer, strong de - liv - 'rer,
 safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs and prais - es, songs and prais - es



feed me now and ev - er - more, feed me now and ev - er - more.
 shield me with your might - y arm, shield me with your might - y arm.
 I will raise for - ev - er - more, I will raise for - ev - er - more.

Text: William Williams, 1717–1791; tr. William Williams and Peter Williams, 1722–1796, alt.

Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873–1932

Blessing

P: May the triune God, who has put a new song in your mouth and tuned your heart for praise ✚ bless you now and forever.

Postlude

“Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer” arr. Michael Helman

Dismissal

L: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

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Leading Worship Today

Pastor: Dr. Rev. Walter Still

Organ/Piano: Barbara Rossow

Assisting Ministers: Valerie Osmundson and Orval Osmundson

Communion Assistants: Janine Almquist and Florence Rasmusson

Ushers: Elaine and Charles Rohrbach and David Almquist

Hospitality: Cindy Schreiber

Livestream Producer: Silvester Vicic, Jim Persoon or Ryan Henk

Church Member Wayne Hansen is offering his Tax Knowledge and Expertise to church members again and you can always refer my services to others to file a complete and accurate 2025 tax return. If anyone has questions about taxes you may contact Wayne at cell 651-219-2938 (call or text) or his email is wkhanse@comcast.net

PLEASE PRAY THIS WEEK FOR AHLC MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:

Marjorie Anderson, Sven Anderson, Sharon Anderson, Carolyn Brusseau, Kurt Dyrhaug, Jerry Ekblad, Richard Edge, Jan Frankenberg, Wayne Hansen, Betty Hasse, Marcia Imsdahl, Patricia James, Jim Jaszczak, Eugene Karls, Gisela Koegh, Velta Krauze, Marilyn Nelson, Dennis Rasmusson, Priscilla Reeve, Marnie Rose, Bev Stickler, Ivanka Vicic, Ken Wagner, and MaryAnn Wistrom.

If you wish to have Pastor Walter visit with you, please contact Mary in the church office to set up a time. **Upcoming Events**

February 22	Sunday Morning Worship - 9:30 a.m. Member Forum following the worship service.
February 25	Soup and Scriptures – 11:30 Soup 12:00 noon Scriptures
March 1	Sunday Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.
March 2	Bible Study – 1:00 p.m. – Reception Room
March 4	WMA Board Meeting - ReceptionRoom
March 5	Soup and Scripture – 10:00 a.m. – Reception Room

Gathering Hymn

O Lord, throughout These Forty Days

- 1 O Lord, throughout these forty days
you prayed and kept the fast;
inspire repentance for our sin,
and free us from our past.

- 2 You strove with Satan, and you won;
your faithfulness endured;
lend us your nerve, your skill, and trust
in God's eternal word.

- 3 Though parched and hungry, yet you prayed
and fixed your mind above;
so teach us to deny ourselves
that we may know God's love.

- 4 Be with us through this season, Lord,
and all our earthly days,
that when the final Easter dawns,
we join in heaven's praise.

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Hymn of the Day

There in God's Garden

- 1 There in God's garden stands the Tree of Wisdom,
whose leaves hold forth the healing of the nations:
Tree of all knowledge, Tree of all compassion,
Tree of all beauty.

- 2 Its name is Jesus, name that says, "Our Savior!"
There on its branches see the scars of suff'ring;
see where the tendrils of our human selfhood
feed on its lifeblood.

- 3 Thorns not its own are tangled in its foliage;
our greed has starved it, our despite has choked it.
Yet, look! it lives! its grief has not destroyed it
nor fire consumed it.

- 4 See how its branches reach to us in welcome;
hear what the Voice says, "Come to me, ye weary!
Give me your sickness, give me all your sorrow,
I will give blessing."

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Sending Hymn

Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer

- 1 Guide me ever, great Redeemer,
pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak, but you are mighty;
hold me with your pow'rful hand.
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,
feed me now and evermore,
feed me now and evermore.

- 2 Open now the crystal fountain
where the healing waters flow;
let the fire and cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through.
Strong deliv'rer, strong deliv'rer,
shield me with your mighty arm,
shield me with your mighty arm.

- 3 When I tread the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death and hell's destruction,
land me safe on Canaan's side.
Songs and praises, songs and praises,
I will raise forevermore,
I will raise forevermore.

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