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Tonight's service will start out using the Holden Evening Prayer (HEP) booklet you were provided.

We'll be singing the first four sections which flow one to the next.

Words to other hymns are printed in this bulletin, but you are encouraged to open up and use the red ELW (Evangelical Lutheran Worship) hymnal found below or in front of your seat. Hymn numbers are provided.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

OPENING LITANY (*Sung*)

Service of Light

HEP p. 2

Jesus Christ you are the light of the world...

HYMN

Evening Hymn

HEP p. 3

Joyous Light of heav'nly glory...

RESPONSE(*Sung*)

Evening Thanksgiving

HEP p. 4

May God be with you all...

PSALMODY

Psalms 141

HEP p. 4

Let my prayer rise up...

PSALM PRAYER

May our prayers come before you, O God, as incense,
and may your presence surround and fill us,
so that in union with all creation,
we might sing your praise and your love in our lives.

Amen

SCRIPTURE

Joel 2:1-2, 12-17

Blow the trumpet in Zion; sound the alarm on my holy mountain! Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble, for the day of the Lord is coming, it is near — a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness! Like blackness spread upon the mountains, a great and powerful army comes; their like has never been from of old, nor will be again after them in ages to come.

Yet even now, says the Lord, return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; rend your hearts and not your clothing. Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, abounding in steadfast love, and relenting from punishment. Who knows whether he will not turn and relent and leave a blessing behind him, a grain offering and a drink offering for the Lord your God? Blow the trumpet in Zion; consecrate a fast; call a solemn assembly; gather the people. Consecrate the congregation; assemble the aged; gather the children, even infants at the breast. Let the bridegroom leave his room and the bride her canopy. Between the vestibule and the altar, let the priests, the ministers of the Lord, weep. Let them say, “Spare your people, O Lord, and do not make your heritage a mockery, a byword among the nations. Why should it be said among the peoples, ‘Where is their God?’ ”

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Pastor Marty Wyatt

HYMN

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

ELW 338

**Beneath the cross of Jesus I long to take my stand;
The shadow of a mighty rock within a weary land,
A home within the wilderness, a rest upon the way,
From the burning of the noontide heat and burdens of the day.**

**Upon the cross of Jesus my eye at times can see
The very dying form of one who suffered there for me.
And from my contrite heart, with tears, two wonders I confess:
The wonder of his glorious love and my unworthiness.**

**I take, O cross, your shadow for my abiding place;
I ask no other sunshine than the sunshine of his face;
Content to let the world go by, to know no gain nor loss;
My sinful self my only shame, my glory all, the cross.**

OFFERING

We gather as a people of God, in the presence of God, to offer up our thanks and praise.

Offering is one way in which we support and sustain our shared ministry.

*You may text your gift: Text <amount> to 651-383-1504,
or scan the QR code included in this bulletin.*

Children are invited to bring their offering up to the front of the Worship Center.



ANTHEM

God So Loved the World

John Helgen

INVITATION TO OBSERVE A LENTEN DISCIPLINE

Siblings in Christ:

Every year at Easter we celebrate with joy our redemption and renewal through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

The season of Lent is a time to prepare for this celebration and to make room in our lives for the Spirit of God to renew us in this mystery.

We begin this holy season by acknowledging our need for repentance and our need for the love and forgiveness shown to us in Jesus Christ. I invite you, therefore, in the name of Christ, to observe a Holy Lent, by self-examination and penitence, by prayer and fasting, by practicing works of love, and by reading and reflecting on God's holy Word.

Let us begin our Lenten journey together in prayer, confessing our sins, and seeking the forgiveness and new life that is promised to us in Christ Jesus.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**We bring our burdens and our sins to you, O Christ,
who bears the heavy load for us.**

**We place upon you our excuses, our shortcomings,
our anger and our desire;
knowing that you can remove these sins from us
and restore us to life.**

**We confess that we have gone astray.
We confess that we have not loved you fully
and have not loved our neighbor as ourselves.
We confess that we have not fully loved even our very selves.**

**Forgive us of our sins.
Help us to turn back to you.
Restore what has been broken,
transform what has been twisted,
find what has been lost,
so we may be the living, loving image of you in creation.
In your precious name we pray.
Amen**

IMPOSITION OF ASHES

All are invited to come forward to receive the imposition of ashes. Please keep silence during this time.

If you are unable to come forward, we will administer ashes to you in your seat.

Please indicate this preference as the minister walks down your aisle.

The worship leader marks the forehead of each person with ashes, using the following words:

Remember that you are dust and to dust you shall return.

PRAYERS

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE 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**

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. Non-communing children are welcome to come forward and receive a blessing. Gluten/peanut free bread is available - please indicate this preference to the server. White grape juice is available and can be found in the cups toward the center of the tray. If you are unable to come forward, we will bring the sacrament to you in your seat. Please indicate this preference as the communion minister walks down your aisle.

COMMUNION MUSIC

Lamb of God

ELW p. 154

**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.**

Bread of Life from Heaven (vs. 2, 3)

ELW 474

Refrain: **Bread of life from heaven, your blood and body given,
We eat this bread and drink this cup until you come again.**

**Seek not the food that will pass away; Set your hearts on the food that endures.
Come, learn the true and the living way, That the fullness of life may be yours.** *Refrain*

**Love as the one who, in love for you, gave himself for the life of the world.
Come to the one who is food for you, that your hunger and thirst be no more.** *Refrain*

BLESSING

Great and merciful God, source and ground of all goodness and life,
give to your people the peace that passes all understanding,
and the will to live your Gospel of mercy and justice,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

• THE CONGREGATION LEAVES IN SILENCE •

PARTICIPANTS

Pastor Lauren J. Wrightsman

Pastor Marty Wyatt

Pastor Tori Kraus

Readers: Bob Bergstrom (5:00), Becky Lund (7:00)

5:00 pm Musicians: David Livingston, John Helgen

7:00 pm Musicians: RLC Choir, David Livingston, John Helgen

Video and Sound: Casey Eakins, Jeff Bowar

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SUNDAY WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILY HELPERS NEEDED

It takes many helpers to make a Sunday run smoothly at RLC, and to show good hospitality to all who enter our doors. If you or members of your family are interested in helping on Sunday mornings, please contact Mary in the church office at mjohnson@rosevillelutheran.org or 651-487-7752, or stop by the Welcome Desk this morning. We are looking for ushers, communion servers, greeters, and readers.



Lenten Soup and Salad Suppers

Feb. 14, 21, 28, March 6, 13, 20

5:00 - 6:45 pm
Wednesdays
in the Social Hall.

*TO GO orders also available!
Order online by
previous Friday.*

Lenten Soup and Salad Suppers are back at RLC. Join us Wednesdays February 14, 21, 28, March 6, 13, 20 from 5:00 until 6:45 pm in the Social Hall. Along with the soup choices there will be butter and a form of bread as well as an assortment of desserts. Salad choices will be Caesar or House (Spring Mix, Shaved Parm, Carrot, Mushroom, Tomato, Herbs) as well as a weekly Chef's creation. There will also be a self-service beverage station.

Cost: Adults - \$10.00, Children 6-10 years old - \$8.00, Children 5 and under - Free. We will accept cash or check as payment at the soup suppers. YOU DO NOT NEED to register ahead of time if you are going to attend the soup supper in person.

To Go Orders Available

You may also order (ahead of time) to pick up Soup and Salad Suppers to go! You must register and pay by the FRIDAY BEFORE the Wednesday it is served. Online registration/payment link is listed next to each week's menu description at www.rosevillelutheran.org/soup. (NOTE: deadline has passed for ordering soup for Feb. 14)

FEBRUARY 14

Southwest Chili - Stewed tomatoes, peppers, onions, ground beef, corn and Chef Will's signature sweet and spicy chili seasoning blend. Choice of with or without noodles. (GF, H).

Minestrone - An Italian favorite with a medley of vegetables and pasta simmered with tomatoes and Italian seasonings. (V, VN).



WEDNESDAY LENTEN WORSHIP
5:00 AND 7:00 PM

Wilderness

5:00 PM • COMMUNION • LIVESTREAM
SOUP SUPPERS FROM 5:00 - 6:45 PM

Join us for worship on Wednesdays in Lent Feb. 21, 28, March 6, 13, 20.
We are following the theme of “Wilderness.”

5:00 pm Worship includes the celebration of Holy Communion
and will be live-streamed.

7:00 pm Worship is a somewhat shortened
version, without Communion.

SOUP SUPPERS

Our Lenten Soup and Salad Suppers will be served from 5:00 - 6:45 pm in the
Social Hall. More information and menus at www.rosevillelutheran.org/soup.



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