



MARCH 10, 2024

9:00 AM

# Wilderness

LENT AT ROSEVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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THE SEASON OF LENT AT  
ROSEVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Words in **BOLD** are for congregational participation, either said or sung.

Words to 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

CHORAL INVOCATION

*Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus*

OPENING HYMN

*How Can I Keep from Singing?*

ELW 763

**My life flows on in endless song, above earth's lamentation,  
I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn that hails a new creation.**

*Refrain:* **No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging.  
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?**

**Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear that music ringing.  
It finds an echo in my soul. How can I keep from singing?** *Refrain*

**What though my joys and comforts die? The Lord my Savior liveth.  
What though the darkness gather round? Songs in the night he giveth.** *Refrain*

**The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever springing!  
All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from singing?** *Refrain*

STORYTIME

*Storytime is for the entire congregation as we begin our exploration of our text for the day.  
Children are invited forward for Storytime as the congregation sings:*

**I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus.  
God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus.  
In him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike.  
The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.**

*As storytime ends, children in grades 1st-6th are invited to leave the worship center for RLC Kids time and activities in the activity center. They will rejoin families at offering time. Children in Pre-K through Kindergarten are welcomed to go to Rm 45A at the beginning of the service and stay for the entirety of the worship service.*

CALL TO WORSHIP

In the darkest valley,  
at the banquet table;  
in the hard work of life,  
at the moments of ease;  
in our day-to-day reality,  
at times set aside—  
like this time, now—  
for worship, for listening, for paying attention;  
with every step we take:  
goodness and mercy follow us;  
our cups overflow.

HYMN OF CONFESSION

*Have Mercy on Us, Lord*



Have mer-cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer. We  
Have mer-cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin. Pour  
Have mer-cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part. Re -



come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.  
out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.  
new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

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 into hell.  
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

**Let your steadfast love come to us, O Lord.  
Save us as you promised; we will trust your word.**

## SCRIPTURE

John 9:1-17, 24-27, 34-41

As [Jesus] walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" Some were saying, "It is he." Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am he." But they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know."

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a Sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the Sabbath." Others said, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?" And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened." He said, "He is a prophet."

So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" They answered him, "You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?" And they drove him out.

Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him." Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped him. Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment, so that those who do not see may see and those who do see may become blind." Some of the Pharisees who were with him heard this and said to him, "Surely we are not blind, are we?" Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, 'We see,' your sin remains.

Word of God, word of life.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## HYMN OF THE DAY

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

ELW 807

**Come, thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.  
While the hope of endless glory fills my heart with joy and love,  
Teach me ever to adore thee; may I still thy goodness prove.**

**Here I raise my Ebenezer: "Hither by thy help I've come";  
And I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God;  
He, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.**

**Oh, to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be;  
Let that grace now like a fetter bind my wand'ring heart to thee:  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love.  
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.**

## 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 in this bulletin.*

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



## OFFERING MUSIC

*The Clouds Veil*Liam Lawton  
RLC Choir

## PRAYERS

## 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**

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BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you  
The Lord's face shine on you and be gracious unto you.  
May the Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

Go in peace and serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

CLOSING HYMN

*Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us (vs. 1, 2, 4)*

ELW 789

**Savior, like a shepherd lead us, much we need your tender care;  
In your pleasant pastures feed us, for our use your fold prepare.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have bought us; we are yours.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have bought us; we are yours.**

**We are yours, in love befriend us, be the guardian of our way;  
Keep your flock, from sin defend us, seek us when we go astray.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear us children as we pray.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear us children as we pray.**

**Early let us seek your favor, early let us do your will;  
Blessed Lord and only Savior, with your love our spirits fill.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have loved us, love us still.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have loved us, love us still.**

POSTLUDE

# PARTICIPANTS

Pastor Marty Wyatt

Reader: Mona Lackore

Musicians: RLC Choir, John Helgen

Video and Sound: Jeff Bowar, Scout Mason, Lucas Carlson

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# 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 March 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/](http://www.rosevillelutheran.org/) soup. (NOTE: deadline has passed for ordering soup for March 13)

## **March 13**

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

**Reuben** - Corned beef, kraut, and creamy potatoes get together for a satisfying take on the classic sandwich.



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 March 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 are at [www.rosevillelutheran.org/soup](http://www.rosevillelutheran.org/soup).



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