

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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As We Gather

From earliest days the Christian Church employed the weeks before Easter—what came to be called the season of Lent—as the time of the year to prepare candidates for the Sacrament of Holy Baptism, the catechumenate. Paul wrote, "We were buried therefore with Him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life" (Romans 6:4). Our midweek Lenten services prepare us to consider our identity and connection with the Passion of Christ as the baptized children of God. As He testified before Pilate that His kingdom is not of this world so are we, by our Baptism, "fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God" (Ephesians 2:19).

ORGAN RECITAL – 11:00AM Kevin Huckshold, organ

Mattheus-Final From Bach's Memento Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)

Wer nur den lieben Gott läast walten, BWV 647

Sonata No. 4 in E minor, BWV 528 2. Andante

From Eleven Chorale Preludes, Op. 122
3. O Welt, ich muß dich lassen
9. Herzlich tut mich verlangen
10. Herzlich tut mich verlangen
11. O Welt, ich muß dich lassen

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

J. S. Bach

Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

Kevin Huckshold is organist at Holy Cross Lutheran Church in south St. Louis, where he has served since 2015. A lifelong native of the St. Louis area, he previously served in the rotation at Immanuel Lutheran – Olivette and as an occasional substitute at churches throughout the area. He completed his masters degree in Church Music at Webster University in May, 2021, where he studied organ with William "Pat" Partridge. He previously received dual undergraduate degrees in engineering and music composition from the University of Illinois at Urbana – Champaign in 2008. During the week, he is employed as an engineer at Boeing. He also plays violin and is associate concertmaster of the Town and Country Symphony Orchestra.

MIDWEEK LENTEN WORSHIP

<u>WELCOME TO PEACE!</u> If you are a guest, please fill out the Visitor side of one of the attendance cards found in the pew rack. Let us know if you would like us to contact you. We are happy to have you worshipping with us today!

P = Pastor

* = Stand

C = Congregation

Opening Voluntary

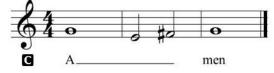
*Opening Hymn LSB 709 The King of Love My S			e My Shepherd Is
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fail - eth soul He love He Lord, be	n nev - er; e lead - eth e sought me	I noth - ing lack And, where the ver And on His shoul Thy rod and staff	- dant - der
I am pas - ture gent - ly com - for	es grow, With food laid And home	is mine for - ev - ce - les - tial feed - re - joic - ing brought be - fore to guide	er. eth. me. me.

- 5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight; Thine unction grace bestoweth; And, oh, what transport of delight From Thy pure chalice floweth!
- 6 And so through all the length of days Thy goodness faileth never; Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise Within Thy house forever!

*Invocation

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

■ In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.



***Opening Sentences**

- Psalm 118:24; 113:3; Joel 2:13; Matthew 16:24; Isaiah 53:5
- **P** This is the day which the Lord has made;
- **C** Let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- **P** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- **C** The name of the Lord is to be praised.
- P Return to the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful,
- **C** Slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and repents of evil.
- **P** Jesus said: If any man would come after Me,
- **C** Let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me.
- P Christ was wounded for our transgressions.
- **C** He was bruised for our iniquities.
- **P** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- **C** The name of the Lord is to be praised.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

First Reading

Ephesians 1:3–10, 15–22

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love ⁵he predestined us for adoption as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, ⁶to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. ⁷In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, ⁸which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight ⁹making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ ¹⁰as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

¹⁵For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, ¹⁶I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, ¹⁷that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, ¹⁸having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the

riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, ¹⁹and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might ²⁰that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. ²²And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church,

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

LSB 726 Evening and Morning Hymn 1 Eve - ning and morn - ing, Sun - set and dawn - ing, Wealth, peace, and 2 hear me, Par - don me; Calm Fa - ther. Ο and spare all mv 3 Ills that still grieve me Soon are to leave me; Though bil - lows 4 To in heav - en All praise be giv -God en! Come, let us glad-ness, Com - fort in sad - ness: These are Thy works; all the ter - rors, Blot out er - rors That by Thine eyes they may my And winds gain pow - er, tow - er. Af - ter the storm the fair of - fer And glad - ly prof - fer То the Cre - a tor the be Thine! Times with-out num - ber, glo - ry A - wake or in more be scanned. der my go - ings, Di - rect Or all my no shows its face. Joys e'er in-creas - ing sun And peace nev - er gifts He doth prize. He well re - ceiv - eth А heart that be slum - ber. Thine eve ob-serves us, From dan - ger pre-serves us, it may please Thee, Re - tain do - ings; As or re-lease me; ceas - ing: These shall I trea - sure And share in full mea-sure liev - eth; Hymns that a - dore Him Are pre - cious be - fore Him Caus - ing Thy mer cy up on us to shine. All I com mit to Thy fa hand. ther - ly When His sions God in man grants me а place. like sweet And to His throne in cense a - rise.

John 18:28-40

Second Reading

²⁸Then they led Jesus from the house of Caiaphas to the governor's headquarters. It was early morning. They themselves did not enter the governor's headquarters, so that they would not be defiled, but could eat the Passover. ²⁹So Pilate went outside to them and said, "What accusation do you bring against this man?" ³⁰They answered him, "If this man were not doing evil, we would not have delivered him over to you." ³¹Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and judge him by your own law." The Jews said to him, "It is not lawful for us to put anyone to death." ³²This was to fulfill the word that Jesus had spoken to show by what kind of death he was going to die.

³³So Pilate entered his headquarters again and called Jesus and said to him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" ³⁴Jesus answered, "Do you say this of your own accord, or did others say it to you about me?" ³⁵Pilate answered, "Am I a Jew? Your own nation and the chief priests have delivered you over to me. What have you done?" ³⁶Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would have been fighting, that I might not be delivered over to the Jews. But my kingdom is not from the world." ³⁷Then Pilate said to him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world— to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice." ³⁸Pilate said to him, "What is truth?"

After he had said this, he went back outside to the Jews and told them, "I find no guilt in him. ³⁹But you have a custom that I should release one man for you at the Passover. So do you want me to release to you the King of the Jews?" ⁴⁰They cried out again, "Not this man, but Barabbas!" Now Barabbas was a robber.

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

Responsory

1 John 2:1; Psalm 32:1

- P We have an advocate with the Father: Jesus Christ, the Righteous One.
- **C** He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.
- **P** Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.
- **C** He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.
- P We have an advocate with the Father: Jesus Christ, the Righteous One.
- **C** He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.



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Sermon

Sermon Notes:

Gathering of the Offering Please fill out an attendance card and place in the offering plate

*Prayer



- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **L** For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **L** For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **L** For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **L** For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **L** For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.

L For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:

- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- For . . . [additional bids for prayer may be inserted here] . . . let us pray to the Lord:
 C Lord, have mercy.
- **L** Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

*Lord's Prayer

C 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.

*Luther's Morning Prayer (11:30 a.m.)

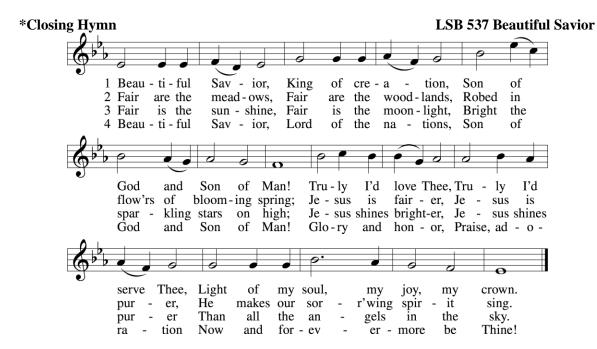
C I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

*Luther's Evening Prayer (6:30 p.m.)

C I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

*Blessing

- $\mathbf{\bar{P}}$ Let us bless the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.
- The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.
- **C** Amen.



*Silent Prayer

Closing Voluntary

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Liturgist: Pastor Robert Brown

Organist: Burnell Hackman, DMM

KFUO AM 850 Announcer/Audio Engineer/Video Engineer: B. Mullen/D. Gerfen/B. Hentchel

Elders: <u>11:30</u>: John Rastorfer; <u>6:30</u>: Bob Wolff

Ushers: <u>11:30</u>: Steve Kienstra, Rick Cusumano, Darrell Ewald, Dan Dukesherer, Mike Wilke; <u>6:30</u>: Dan Prange, Dan Dukesherer, Doug Engle, Kyle Hopfer, Dan Hummert, Mike Wilke, Ralph Wolters



Next Wednesday, March 6 5:00 – 6:15 p.m.

"Breakfast for Dinner" Sponsored by the Couples Club