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# March 30, 2025 – 9:00 a.m. Fourth Sunday in Lent \* All who are able please stand.

P: Pastor C: Congregation

**Prelude** Litany Schubert

\* **Hymn** Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling ELW 608 insert

#### \* Confession and Forgiveness

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

C: Amen.

P: Let us return to God, confessing our sin in the assurance of God's abiding love.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Compassionate One,

C: you are slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, but our lives do not always reflect you and your love for the world. We do not show others the tender compassion you have shown to us. We do not welcome others with the radical hospitality you grant to all people. We oppress others, even though you have set us free again and again. We squander the abundant gifts of the earth. Transform our lives and guide us again in the way of the cross. Amen.

P: Beloved in Christ, God's arms are always stretched open wide to welcome the wandering ones home. In Christ your sins are forgiven. You have a place in God's house forever.

C: Amen.

## \* Greeting

P: Sisters and brothers in Christ, beloved children of God, grace, mercy, and peace be with you all.

C: And also with you.

# \* Prayer of the Day

P: God of compassion, you welcome the wayward, and you embrace us all with your mercy. By our baptism clothe us with garments of your grace, and feed us at the table of your love, through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

#### Readings (insert)

#### Sermon

# \* The Apostle's Creed

C: 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.

#### \* Prayers of Intercession

#### \* Sharing the Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

#### Offertory

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

**ELW 779** 

## \* Offering Prayer

P: Gracious Provider, you set your immense treasures among us, opening your heart to the world. As we prepare to feast on your bountiful love, deepen our commitment to sharing those treasures with others, through our Savior, Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

# \* The Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with You.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty...

...hosts of heaven we praise your name and join in their unending hymn:

C: Holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

## \* The Eucharistic Prayer

P: In the night in which he was betrayed...

Brought together as one by the Holy Spirit let us pray as Jesus taught us.

#### \* The 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.

#### Holy Communion

#### Post-Communion Blessing

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

C: Amen.

#### \* Prayer after Communion

P: Generous Host, you have shared your feast with us and made us new. Send us now to set tables of love and grace in our communities, that your liberating love might nourish the world into freedom, in the name of the crucified one, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

#### \* Blessing

P: God our tender parent, God the crucified one, God the reconciling Spirit, + bless you now and forever.

C: Amen

\* **Hymn** Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross

ELW 335

insert

#### \* Dismissal

P: The worship is over, and the service begins. Go in peace. Care for others as God cares for you.

C: Thanks be to God!

**Postlude** Deo Gratias

Couperin



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#### St. Luke's Upcoming Calendar

Today, March 30 After Service – Faith Formation

Tuesday, April 2 Conference Committee Mtg. – 7:00 p.m. (Zoom)

Wednesday, April 3 Worship in Chapel – 11:00 a.m.

Luncheon after worship in Fellowship Hall – 12:00 noon

Saturday, April 5 Diakonia – 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon Sunday, April 6 Holy Communion - 9:00 a.m.

After Service – Faith Formation

#### Service Assistants

Greeters: Marty Jordan, Eve Gehringer

Lay Reader: Charlotte Christman

Altar Guild: Brenda Foose

Welcome Center: Mike Way, Judy Moyer

#### Next Week's Service Assistants

Greeters: Paul & Jen Christman

Lay Reader: Jerry Jordan
Altar Guild: Joyce Brothers
Welcome Center: Jen Christman



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