



WORSHIP BULLETIN
RITE II SERVICE, 10:00AM
THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT
MARCH 27, 2022

PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE BELLS

OPENING HYMN *Guide me O thou great Jehovah* The Hymnal 1982 #690

A PENITENTIAL ORDER

Presider Blessed the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People **His mercy endures for ever.**

Presider Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these." *Mark 12:29-31*

CONFESSION

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

People **Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;**

**that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

ABSOLUTION

Presider Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

TRISAGION

The Hymnal 1982, S102

Repeat 3 times

THE COLLECT OF DAY

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Presider Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

OLD TESTAMENT

Joshua 5:9-12

The Lord said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt." And so that place is called Gilgal to this day.

While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 32

- ¹ Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven *
and whose sin is put away!
- ² Happy are they to whom God imputes no guilt *
and in whose spirit there is no guile!
- ³ While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, *
because of my groaning all day long.
- ⁴ For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; *
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.
- ⁵ Then I acknowledged my sin to you *
and did not conceal my guilt.
- ⁶ I said, "I will confess my transgressions to God;" *
then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.
- ⁷ Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; *
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.
- ⁸ You are my hiding-place;
you preserve me from trouble; *
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.
- ⁹ "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; *
I will guide you with my eye.

¹⁰ 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.”

¹¹ Great are the tribulations of the wicked, *
but mercy embraces those who trust in the Most High.

¹² Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in God; *
shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

THE NEW TESTAMENT

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

From now on, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL HYMN *Wilt Thou Forgive That Sin* The Hymnal 1982 #140, vss. 1-2

GOSPEL

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So Jesus told them this parable:

"There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a

distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands."' So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe--the best one--and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate.

"Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.'"

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

GRADUAL HYMN

Wilt Thou Forgive That Sin

The Hymnal 1982 #140, vs. 3

HOMILY

The Rev. Alex Leach

A time of silence follows the homily

NICENE CREED

EOW, p. 53

All We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Presider Let us pray together for the state of our world, the church, for ourselves, and for our neighbors. We will bring our prayers together in the response “have mercy on us.”

Intercessor For the Church: pray that God may continue to work in the church to transform us into Christ’s hands and feet in the world. Pray that during Lent we may be reminded of our mission to seek reconciliation between all people and God.

A moment of silence.

Intercessor Compassionate God,
People **have mercy on us.**

Intercessor For our Nation: may God’s wisdom, compassion, and justice be poured out into our streets. Pray that the Holy Spirit may lead those who hold the authority of government. And pray that the divisions and wounds in our country be healed.

A moment of silence.

Intercessor Compassionate God,
People **have mercy on us.**

Intercessor For the World: pray for the people of Ukraine. Pray for Russia. Pray for the whole global community as nations discern how to best respond to such crisis to maintain peace. Also pray for the Earth’s environment which we all depend upon.

A moment of silence.

Intercessor Compassionate God,
People **have mercy on us.**

Intercessor For yourself: offer to God, Jesus, the Holy Spirit whatever vulnerabilities, pain, hardship, or sorrow you carry. Ask for God’s help. And give thanks to God for all the blessings and joys in your life.

A moment of silence.

Intercessor Compassionate God,
People **have mercy on us.**

Intercessor For those who are suffering in any way: think about your neighbors who are lonely, scared, sick, in pain, are experiencing sorrow and loss, and those who have been marginalized by society. Pray for them. Ask Jesus how he would direct you to care for them.

A moment of silence.

Intercessor Compassionate God,
People **have mercy on us.**

Intercessor For those who have died: pray that they may be brought into God's everlasting reign of joy and peace. Pray for those who are grieving. And give thanks for those people we see no longer but who continue to bless us.

A moment of silence.

Intercessor Compassionate God,
People **have mercy on us.**

Presider Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THE PEACE

Presider May the peace of Christ be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

BIRTHDAYS, CELEBRATIONS, AND MILESTONES

Presider Watch over your child(ren), O Lord, as *their* days increase; bless and guide *them* wherever *they* may be. Strengthen *them* when *they* stand; comfort *them* when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *them* up if *they* fall; and in *their* heart may your peace which passes all understanding abide all the days of *their* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Presider But do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. *Hebrews 13:15,16*

OFFERTORY HYMN *O love how deep how broad how high* The Hymnal 1982 #448

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

BCP PGS. 361-363

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Presider It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

All **Holy, 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.

Presider Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

Presider On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he

broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Presider We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.
Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All **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,
for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

A brief silence

FRACTION HYMN

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

For those at home or who do not wish to receive bread, we offer this prayer of spiritual communion:

Come Lord Jesus, and dwell in my heart in the fullness of your strength; be my wisdom and guide me in right pathways; conform my life and actions to the image of your holiness; and, in the power of your gracious might, rule over every hostile power that threatens or disturbs the growth of your kingdom, who with the Creator and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting.
Amen.

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

COMMUNION HYMN

Just as I am without one plea

The Hymnal 1982 #693

SENDING OF THE EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Presider In the name of God and this community, we send you forth bearing these Holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

People **We who are many are one body, because we all share bread, one cup.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Please stand.

All **Loving God,
we give you thanks
for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
Now send us forth
a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

THE LENTEN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Presider Bow down before the Lord.

The people kneel and the Presider says the following prayer:

Presider Look down in mercy, Lord, on your people who kneel before you; and grant that those whom you have nourished by your Word and Sacraments may bring forth fruit worthy of repentance; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

CONCLUDING HYMN *O bless the Lord my soul* The Hymnal 1982 #411, vss. 1-3, 6

THE DISMISSAL

Presider Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

UPCOMING EVENTS

Lenten Noonday Prayer Services

Thursdays, Noon, March 3-April 7, Sanctuary

Lenten Lunches, Every Wednesday of Lent, March 9 - April 13th at 12 noon

During Lent the Christian churches within WEMM (Woodland Ecumenical Multi-Faith Ministries) gather on Wednesdays to share a meal together. Each faith community offers some words and a reflection about Lent in light of their own tradition. On March 30th, the lunch will be at United Methodist Church (620 North St). **St. Luke's will be hosting this lunch on April 6th.** If you would like to help host this please speak with Rev. Alex.

Lent Grief Events

One of our intentional offerings this year for Lent are community gatherings to process grief.

- **April 2nd at 1:30 pm** - Processing our Grief about the last 2 years of Pandemic
- **April 14th at 6 pm** - Processing our Grief we hold today

Palm Sunday Labyrinth Service, April 10th, 2:30 pm

Come after lunch and learn about the labyrinth as a spiritual practice and engaged in a labyrinth service geared around Holy Week. Holy Week is a journey. And it is both an external journey as well as an internal journey. The labyrinth will help us walk that path of death and resurrection outwardly and in our souls. Bring sunscreen and water! The service will be an hour or less.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULE

April 10th, Palm Sunday

- 5:00 pm Labyrinth Service

April 14th, Maundy Thursday

- 6:00 pm Community Grief Ritual
- 7:30 pm Holy Communion with Foot Washing

April 15th, Good Friday

- 12 noon Stations of the Cross
- 7:30 pm Service

April 16th, Easter Vigil

- 7:30 pm Holy Communion

April 17th, Easter Morning

- 8:00 am (no music)
- 10:00 am (Children's Easter Egg Hunt following)

Visit our website for information on how to be involved

www.stlukeswoodland.org

Sign up for weekly e-mail updates for information on opportunities to help and to learn.

Contact our Church Administrator for details, at stlukechurchwoodland@gmail.com

Weekly Meetings

- **Centering Prayer, Sundays, 7pm, Sanctuary**, contact Tom Eaton
- **Book Study, Mondays, 5:15pm, via Zoom**, contact Tom Eaton
- **Choir Practice, Wednesdays, 6pm, Sanctuary**
- **“A Journey with John”, Wednesdays, 7:15 pm, via Zoom**, contact Margaret Wisehart (margaretwisehart@yahoo.com)

Monthly Meetings

- **Resource Navigators**
Next meeting is Monday, May 9th – 3:30pm-5pm, Guild Hall
stlukechurchwoodland@gmail.com or 530-662-7152 x3
- **Temenos (On pause until Spring)**
2nd & 4th Saturdays, 8am – Noon, Welcome anytime! brucewatts1@me.com
- **Temenos Drum Circle (On pause until Spring)**
2nd Sundays, 4:30pm, Temenos
- **Daughters of the King**
2nd Saturdays, 10-11:30am, Guild Hall
stlukechurchwoodland@gmail.com or 530-662-7152 x3
- **Men’s Group**
2nd Saturdays, 8:30am, mackw0414@gmail.com
- **Outreach Breakfast at 4th & Hope**
1st Saturdays, 4th & Hope, mackw0414@gmail.com
- **Micah Forum**
2nd Tuesdays, 6pm, leannherig@gmail.com
- **Vestry Meeting**
3rd Thursdays, 6:30pm, Guild Hall
- **Becoming the Beloved Community Study Group**
4th Tuesdays, 6:15-7:30pm, leannherig@gmail.com



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