

**The First Sunday In Lent**  
**March 9, 2025-10:00am**  
**Lakeside Community Lutheran Church**  
**Webster, Wisconsin**

# Introduction

These forty days called Lent are like no other. It is our opportune time to return to the God who rescues, to receive the gifts of God's grace, to believe with the heart and confess with the mouth the wonder of God's love in Jesus, and to resist temptation at every turn. This is no small pilgrimage on which we have just embarked. It is a struggle Jesus knew. It is a struggle Jesus shares. The nearness of the Lord, in bread and wine, water and word, will uphold and sustain us.

# GATHERING

*We gather as God's People*  
\* *Please Stand if you are able*

**PRELUDE      Leaning on the Everlasting Arms**      *Gilbert Martin*

# WELCOME

## \*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,  
who forgives all our sin,  
whose mercy endures forever.  
**Amen.**

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

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Compassionate One,  
**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.

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.  
**Amen.**

**GATHERING HYMN**      **What A Fellowship, What a Joy Divine**      *ELW 774*

## GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

HYMN OF PRAISE      Cry Of My Heart

Medium ♩ = 118  
CHORUS

D G A G

It is the cry of my heart to fol - low You.

3 D G A G

It is the cry of my heart to be close\_\_ to You.

5 D G A F#sus F#

It is the cry of my heart to fol - low

7 G A D Fine G A

all of the days\_\_ of my life.\_\_

9 VERSE Bm G/B A D

1. Teach me Your ho - ly ways,\_\_ oh Lord.\_\_  
2. O - pen my eyes so I\_\_ can see\_\_ The

11 Bm E7/G# A

So I can walk\_\_ in Your truth.\_\_  
won - der - ful things\_\_ that You do.\_\_

13 Bm G/B A D

Teach me Your ho - ly ways,\_\_ oh, Lord.\_\_ And make me  
O - pen my heart up more\_\_ and more,\_\_ And make me

15 G A D D.C. al Fine

whol - ly de - vot - ed to You.\_\_  
whol - ly de - vot - ed to You.\_\_

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you

**And also with you.**

Let us pray,

O Lord God, you led your people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide us now, so that, following your Son, we may walk safely through the wilderness of this world toward the life you alone can give, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

**CHOIR ANTHEM**

**Amazing Love**

**Graham Kendrick**

## WORD

*We hear God's word*

### First Reading: Deuteronomy 26:1-11

When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, you shall make this response before the LORD your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me." You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your

God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 91: Be With Me Lord

Refrain



Be with me, Lord, when I am in trou-ble, be  
with me, Lord, I pray.

Verses

- 1. You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord, Most High,  
who abide in the shadow of our God,  
say to the Lord: “My refuge and fortress, the God in whom I trust.”
- 2. No evil shall befall you, no pain come near,  
for the angels stand close by your side,  
guarding you always and bearing you gently, watching over your life.
- 3. Those who cling to the Lord live secure in God’s love,  
lifted high, those who trust in God’s name,  
call on the Lord, who will never forsake you.  
God will bring you salvation and joy.

SECOND READING Romans 10:8b-13

“The word is near you,  
on your lips and in your heart”  
(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, “No one who

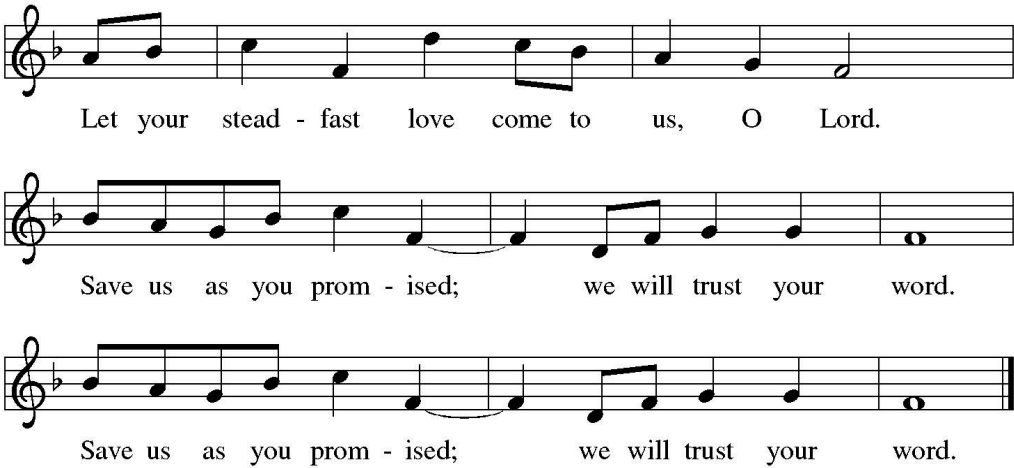
believes in him will be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Let Your Steadfast Love



Let your stead - fast love come to us, O Lord.  
Save us as you prom - ised; we will trust your word.  
Save us as you prom - ised; we will trust your word.

HOLY GOSPEL

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Luke 4:1-13

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread.” Jesus answered him, “It is written, ‘One does not live by bread alone.’”

Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, “To you I will give their glory and all this

authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.” Jesus answered him, “It is written, ‘Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.’”

Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written,

‘He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,’ and

‘On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.’”

Jesus answered him, “It is said, ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’”

When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON ON THE STEPS

SERMON

Pastor Susan Odegard


HYMN OF THE DAY When We Are Tested




1 When we are test - ed and wres - tle a - lone,  
2 When in the des - ert we cry for re - lief,  
3 When we are tempt - ed to bar - ter our souls,  
4 When we have strug - gled and searched through the night,



fam - ished for bread when the world of - fers stone,  
plead - ing for paths marked by cer - tain be - lief,  
trad - ing the truth for the pow'r to con - trol,  
sort - ing and sift - ing the wrong from the right,



nour - ish us, God, by your word and your way,  
lift us to love you be - yond sign and test,  
teach us to wor - ship and praise on - ly you,  
Sav - ior, sur - round us with cir - cles of care,



food that sus - tains us by night and by day.  
trust - ing your pres - ence, our on - ly true rest.  
seek - ing your will in the work that we do.  
an - gels of heal - ing, of hope, and of prayer.

\*APOSTLE’S 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 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.

THE PRAYERS OF GOD’S PEOPLE

Led by the Spirit, let us turn to God in prayer for the church, the world, and all those in need.

*A brief silence.*

Response

God, in your mercy,



Receive the prayers of your people and draw all things together in your love, in the name of Jesus, who leads us from death to life.

**Amen.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you all.

**And also with you.**

*We share Christ’s peace with each other.*

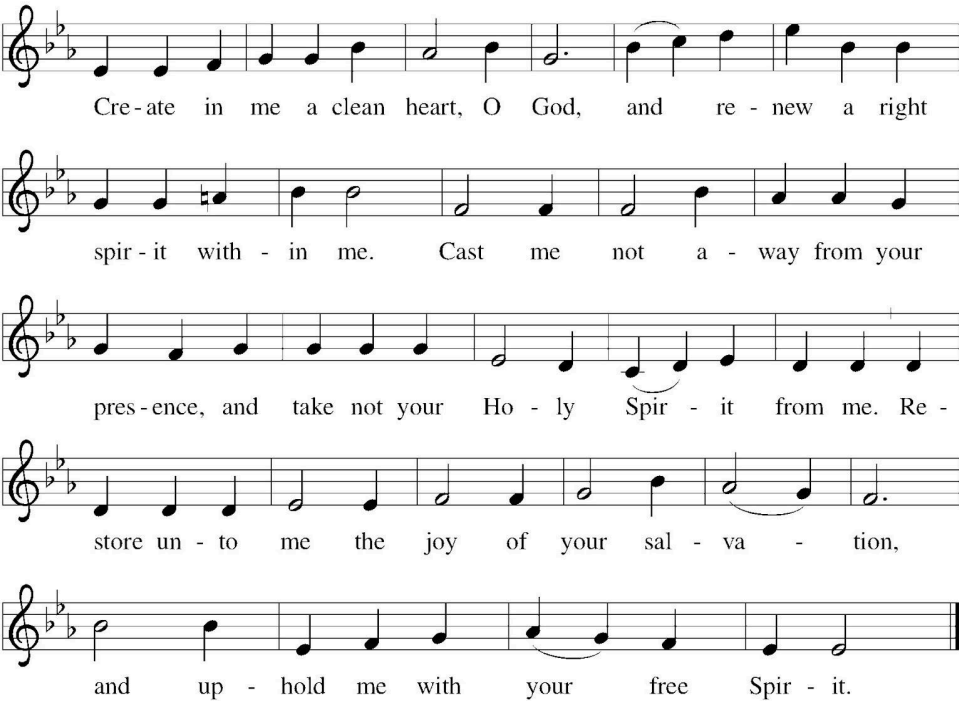
MEAL

*We are fed and nourished by Jesus’ body and blood*

THANKSGIVING FOR OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY      I Am A Poor Wayfaring Stranger      Anna Laura Page

\*OFFERTORY RESPONSE      Create In Me      ELW 188



OFFERING PRAYER

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. Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**PREFACE**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
that we should at all times and in all places  
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,  
through our Savior Jesus Christ.  
You call your people to cleanse their hearts  
and prepare with joy for the paschal feast,  
that, renewed in the gift of baptism,  
we may come to the fullness of your grace.  
And so, with all the choirs of angels,  
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**HOLY, HOLY**

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,  
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the  
high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

**THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

**LORD’S PRAYER**

Lord, remember us in your kingdom  
and teach us to pray.

**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.**

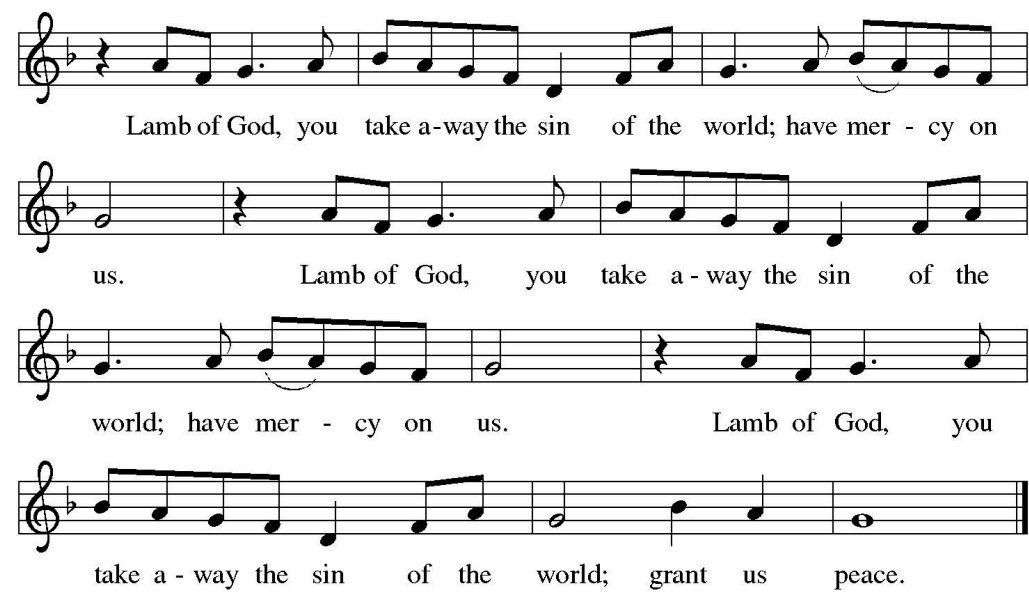
**INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

All who are hungry, come!



The feast of grace is spread.  
All are welcome at God’s Table

COMMUNION



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on  
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

COMMUNION SONG                      I Want Jesus To walk With Me                      *ELW 325*

TABLE BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you until everlasting life.  
**Amen.**

POST COMMUNION SONG



*Joyfully*  
Go out\_\_\_ as peo - ple of God. \_\_\_ Go out\_\_\_ as  
4  
peo - ple of hope, \_\_\_ Go out\_\_\_ as peo - ple re - newed. \_\_\_ Your  
7  
sins are for - giv'n, \_\_\_ You are made whole, Now walk in the light of  
10  
*Fine*  
God. *ff* You are the peo - ple God made \_\_\_ as His own. \_\_\_  
14  
Made in His im - age, no long - er a - lone. \_\_\_ His seal is on \_\_\_ us, His  
17  
*D.C. al Fine*  
Spir - it di - vine, \_\_\_ Called to be peo - ple of God. \_\_\_

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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.  
**Amen**

SENDING

*We are sent into mission*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING SONG                      Jerusalem My Destiny - Verse 1

# Refrain



I have fixed my eyes on your hills, Je - ru - sa - lem, my  
des - ti - ny! Though I can - not see the end for me, I  
can - not turn a - way. We have set our hearts for the  
way; this jour - ney is our des - ti - ny. Let  
no - one walk a - lone. The jour - ney makes us one.

# Verses



1. Oth - er spir - its, less - er gods, have court - ed  
2. See, I leave the past be - hind; a new land  
3. In my thirst, you let me drink the wa - ters  
4. All the worlds I have not seen you o - pen  
5. To the tombs I went to mourn the hope I  
me with lies. Here a - mong you  
calls to me. Here a - mong you  
of your life. Here a - mong you  
to my view. Here a - mong you  
thought was gone. Here a - mong you  
D.C.  
I have found a truth which bids me rise.  
now I find a glimpse of what might be.  
I have met the sa - viour, Je - sus Christ.  
I have found a vi - sion, bright and new.  
I a - woke to un - ex - pect - ed dawn.

Text: Rory Cooney, b.1952  
Tune: Rory Cooney, b.1952  
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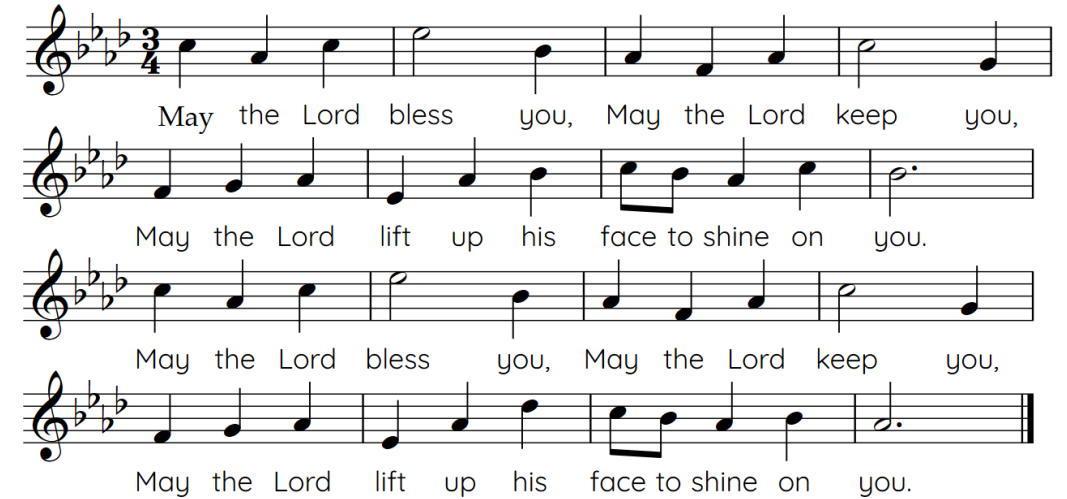
## BLESSING

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

**Amen.**

## BENEDICTION SONG

## May the Lord Bless You



May the Lord bless you, May the Lord keep you,  
May the Lord lift up his face to shine on you.  
May the Lord bless you, May the Lord keep you,  
May the Lord lift up his face to shine on you.

## Dismissal

Go in peace. Care for others as God cares for you.

**Thanks be to God!**

## POSTLUDE

## Jerusalem My Destiny

**Barnett**

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