

Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 17, 2024 10:00am

Trusting God
Anxiety is real. Breathe.

Trusting God + Loving the World

Welcome! We're glad you're here!

If you are a guest and are interested in knowing more about this community and the ministries that Holy Shepherd is engaged in, please fill out the **Welcome Card** located in the pew racks. Once filled out, please place the card either in the **offering basket** as you come forward to receive communion or at the **information desk** as you enter the narthex.

Peace to you!

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

Prelude
Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

Let us be alert,

For we do not know when the time will come.

Let us stay awake,

For we do not know when Christ will return.

Let him not find us asleep when he comes.

We will stay awake.

Confession and Forgiveness

We begin with an honest assessment of our individual and communal life that falls short of fullness and wholeness. You are invited into this vulnerable space as a practice of opening to God's grace as we will experience it in worship.

We confess our sins before God and one another.

Remain seated or kneel. Silence is kept for reflection.

God of love, when we look inward and are honest with ourselves, we see where we have fallen short. We have sought after our own gain rather than the good of all. We have not loved you or our neighbors as ourselves. We have denied you in what we have done and not done. Create in us clean hearts, O God, that we might become what you have called us to be.

God whose unfathomable love went to the cross for our sake now forgives us all our sins and welcomes us all over again into the promise of eternal life in Christ's name. **Amen.**

Cantor/Assembly

You were sent to heal the contrite of heart: Kyrie, eleison;



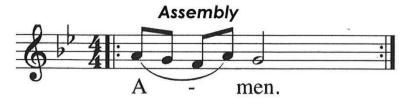
You came to call sinners: Christe, eleison



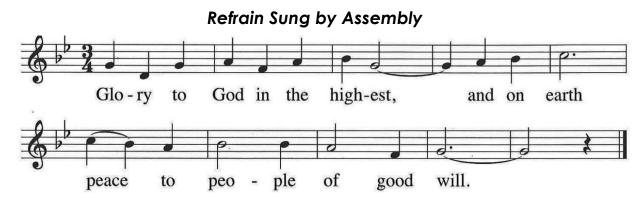
You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us: Kyrie, eleison



May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. A - men.



Glory to God



We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. **Refrain**

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer, you are seated at the right hand of the Father: have mercy on us. Refrain

> For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen! Amen. Refrain

Greeting & Prayer of the Day

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.

God of the beginning and of the end, you ask us to put our trust not in worldly things, but in heavenly things. As we navigate the challenges of daily life and the much larger challenges faced by our communities and all creation, give us confidence in your power and grace, that we might live into our faith each day. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song

Jesus foretells of the end of the world as his disciples know it and calls them to stay vigilant in anticipation.

Psalm 102:12-17

Scripture Reading

But you, O LORD, are enthroned forever;

your name endures to all generations.

¹³You will rise up and have compassion on Zion, for it is time to favor it; the appointed time has come.

¹⁴For your servants hold its stones dear, and have pity on its dust.

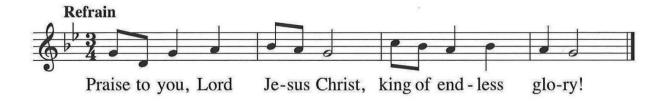
¹⁵The nations will fear the name of the LORD, and all the kings of the earth your glory.

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16For the LORD will build up Zion;
he will appear in his glory.
17He will regard the prayer of the destitute,
and will not despise their prayer.

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

Gospel Acclamation



Refrain

Lord, you are truly the Savior of the world; give me living water, that I may never thirst again. **Refrain**

Holy Gospel

Mark 13:1-8, 24-37

The holy gospel according to Mark. Glory to you, O Lord.

As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" ²Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down." ³When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, ⁴"Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" ⁵Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. ⁶Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. ⁷When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. ⁸For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birthpangs.

²⁴"But in those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, ²⁵and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.

²⁶Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and glory. ²⁷Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven. ²⁸"From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. ²⁹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. ³⁰Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. ³¹Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. ³²"But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³³Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. ³⁴It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. ³⁵Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, ³⁶or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. ³⁷And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake."

The gospel of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

+ Children's Time +

Message

Children's Church

Children age 3 – 4th Gr. During message



Faith Talk

Youth 5th – 12th Grade After worship

Song

My Lord, What a Morning

ELW 438

Refrain

My Lord, what a morning; my Lord, what a morning; oh, my Lord, what a morning, when the stars begin to fall.

You will hear the trumpet sound, to wake the nations underground, looking to my God's right hand, when the stars begin to fall. Refrain

You will hear the sinner cry, to wake the nations underground, looking to my God's right hand, when the stars begin to fall. Refrain

You will hear the Christian shout, to wake the nations underground, looking to my God's right hand, when the stars begin to fall. Refrain

Prayers of the People

As we walk together through this season of contemplation and preparation, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

Sung before and after all prayers

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: when I call, answer me.

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: come and listen to me.

Prayer response:
God of the journey, in mercy, hear our prayer.

Confident that you walk alongside us in our need, we lift to you all our prayers, spoken and unspoken, through Jesus Christ our savior. **Amen.**

Sharing God's Peace

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

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ

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 God thanks and praise.

Words of Institution

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

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Invitation

Jesus who was there at the beginning and will be there at the end, reminds us that he is here in this place with us right now, and invites you to this holy table to share in his presence through bread and wine. Come and be fed.

+ We Are Church. Better Together +

All Are Welcome at the Table

Options on how to receive Holy Communion

You may come forward and stand or kneel, starting at the center and filling in along the rail. After you have received communion please exit by the side aisles and those waiting will then fill in the empty space. Bread (gluten-free) and wine or grape juice (center of the tray) will be given to you with the words spoken:

"The body of Christ given for you. The blood of Christ shed for you."

If you would like communion served in the pew, please signal to a pastor.

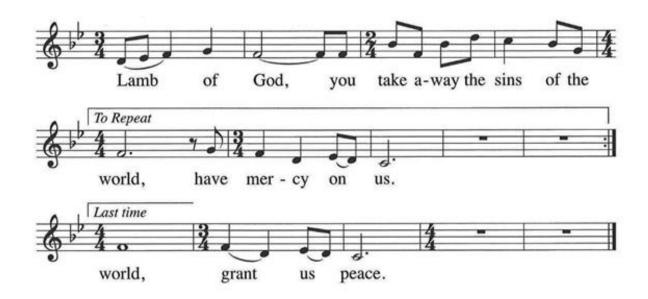
You are invited...

To bring an **offering** forward before or after worship or during Holy Communion.

The offering is gathered in front of the communion table where we are reminded of God's gifts given to us in Christ and our response to these gifts.

Communion Songs

Lamb of God



Now in This Banquet

- Haugen

Refrain

Now in this banquet, Christ is our bread; here shall all hunger be fed.

Bread that is broken, wine that is poured: love is the sign of our Lord.

(Praise Team on verses)

Post-Communion Blessing & Prayer

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

Generous God, at this table we have tasted your immeasurable grace. As grains of wheat are gathered into one bread, now make us one loaf to feed the world; in the name of Jesus, the Bread of life.

Amen.

Sending Song

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

ELW 325

I want Jesus to walk with me; I want Jesus to walk with me; all along my pilgrim journey, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

In my trials, Lord, walk with me; in my trials, Lord, walk with me; when my heart is almost breaking, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me; when I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me; when my head is bowed in sorrow, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

Doxology & Amen

Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, forever and ever.

Assembly:



Sending

Go in peace, trust in God, love the world. Thanks be to God!

Postlude

+ Worship Service Notes +

- **THANK YOU** for being considerate of disabled worshippers and their families. Please leave the pew cuts and several adjoining seats available for those with walkers, wheelchairs, or electric carts and their families.
- **HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES (4 devices available)** are located at the sound booth located in the back of the sanctuary on the east side.
- **FELLOWSHIP:** Once worship has finished, please feel free to stay and greet each other and go into the fellowship hall for coffee and snacks.

OFFERING

If you would like to make a donation to the mission of Holy Shepherd, which will be used to serve the community, neighborhood and the world, there is an offering plate located at the front of the sanctuary. Please make checks payable to:

Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church or use the PayPal link below. Thank you.

KIDS ZONE

The *Kids Zone* (un- staffed) will be available to use for your family, if you need to leave the service.

The library and Fellowship Hall are also available.

Narrative Lectionary Worship Resources

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Song Resource Key

ELW: Evangelical Lutheran Worship Hymnal

ACS: All Creation Sings
HSSB: Holy Shepherd Songbook
WOV: With One Voice

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