

THE LORD'S DAY March 26, 2023 WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

10:00 a.m.

PRELUDE Piano/Chancel Organ

CALL TO WORSHIP &

STRIKING THE HOUR "Amazing Grace" The Carillon Bells

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT "What A Mighty God We Serve" Page 672

† Please stand as you are able. (Verse 1)

† HYMN "Have Faith in God" Page 536

(Verses 1,3,4)

† Prayer of the Day and The Lord's Prayer

† ANTHEM "Gloria Patri" Page 813

HYMN "Little Is Much When God Is in It" Page 661

(All Verses)

WE PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER AND RECITE GOD'S COVENANT PROMISES

PASTORAL PRAYER

RESPONSORIAL "Psalm 84" Psalter 84^D

Sung to the tune of: "Just As I Am, Without One Plea"

(Verses 4,6)

RESPONSIVE READING: "The Heidelberg Catechism"

WE RETURN OUR TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE UNTO THE LORD

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

RECEIVING THE TITHES AND OFFERINGS † DOXOLOGY AND OFFERTORY PRAYER



WE LIFT OUR VOICES IN PRAISE

HYMN "God Will Take Care of You" Page 692 (Verses 1,2,4)

SPECIAL MUSIC

EXPOSITION OF THE WORD AND CONFESSION OF FAITH

THE SERMON
"Preservation in Persecution"
Matthew 5:1-12

† THE APOSTLES' CREED

† CLOSING HYMN "Sweet Hour of Prayer" Page 771

(Verses 1,2)

† BENEDICTION

† ANTHEM "The Family of God" Page 419

DEPART IN PEACE TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD

If you are visiting with us today, we're glad you're here. We are ordinary people on an extraordinary journey, learning to love and serve like Jesus. Come with Us!



In this constantly changing world our goal is to reflect and recapture the historic and classical worship of Almighty God. Central to our service is the proclamation of the Word and a biblical understanding of the Sacraments in the tradition of the Evangelical and Reformed faith

OUR MISSION

TO PRESENT CHRIST TO EVERYONE, EVERYWHERE, AT EVERY AVAILABLE OPPORTUNITY.



THE LESSONS FOR USE ON THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT Exodus 17:1-7 • Romans 5:1-11 Matthew 5:1-12 • Psalm 95

WE AFFIRM THE FOLLOWING:

- The Holy Trinity of God Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
- God has revealed Himself fully and decisively in Holy Scripture. We believe the Bible, consisting of the Old and New Testaments, to be the inspired, infallible, and authoritative Word of God and our guide for faith and life.
- There is only one way to Salvation through Jesus Christ.
- The sanctity of human life based on our creation in the image of God and our election by God for service in His Kingdom. This leads us to respectfully affirm the sanctity of life at every stage, from conception to ordinary death.
- The Biblical guidelines for unalterable gender and sexuality: The exclusive union of one man and one woman in marriage; and fidelity to its vows. And, chastity outside of marriage for the sake of the Kingdom.
- God made all people from one man and although people can be distinguished by different ethnicities and nationalities, we are all one human race and absolute equals before God in creation, the need for repentance, and the offer of redemption.
- That the mission of the Church is to spread the Good News of the Gospel in every word and deed. Proclaiming to the world the atoning death and resurrection of Jesus Christ and seeking to bring every person into a life of faith, discipleship, and submission to Him.





GIVING REPORT Week Ending March 19, 2023 \$2,370 Sunday General Giving 1,974 Online General Giving 296 2,270 **Total General Gifts** Less 3% to Building -68 Less 10% to Missions -228 **Net General** 1,973 Designated Giving **Building Maintenance** 68 Chili Cookoff 30 Flowers 25 25 Gals Ioash 20 228 Missions Total Designated Giving 397 Net General 1,973 Designated Giving 397 **Total Receipts**

Monthly Reports are posted in the Fellowship Hall

MAUNDY THURSDAY occurs just prior to Good Friday. It is the day when Jesus celebrated his final Passover with His disciples. Most notably, that Passover meal was when Jesus washed His disciples' feet in an extraordinary display of humility. He then commanded them to display the same humility towards each other. That is where the traditional name of the day comes from. The English word "Maundy" is a shortened form of the Latin word "mandatum," which means "command." Jesus and his disciples had just shared what we know as the Last Supper, and he was washing their feet when he said: "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another" (John 13:34). This New Commandment raised the definition of love to a new and higher standard. Jesus sacrificially met His followers' most profound need---that of new spiritual life and the forgiveness of sins. He even loved His enemies, and He calls us to show love to those who don't appear to deserve it. Just as Jesus loved sinners "to the end" (John 13:1) when He had nothing to gain from them, so must we. The Bible says that there was nothing attractive about sinful humanity that drew Him to love us. God loved us while we were yet sinners (Romans 5:8). Salvation is not only a wonderful gift that protects us from the penalty that we deserve (Romans 6:23), but the work of Christ also infuses new life, grants spiritual strength, and motivates godly action in those who believe.

Many churches (like ours) observe Maundy Thursday with a Communion Service. This tradition helps Christians reflect on the sacrifice of Jesus while participating in his lasting memorial made of ordinary bread and wine as together, we commune spiritually with him ~ in, with, and under the physical Elements. Please join us.





If you have difficulty hearing during Worship, please see one of our Sound Booth Technicians before the service begins.



The Chancel Flowers Are Placed by:

Dick and Shirley Jordan's 67th Wedding Anniversary



Don and Ginny Jennings in memory of Ginny's parents' birthday.

Don Brinkley in honor of Marilyn's 92nd Birthday

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Rev. H. Joseph Kler

Rev. John O. Strauss Worship Leader / Minister of Music

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OUR MUSICIANS Dee Schults, Ann Dantuma

Donna Zenisek-Huber Flutist

SOUND BOOTH Joe Negron, Jonathan Kler

THE BOARD

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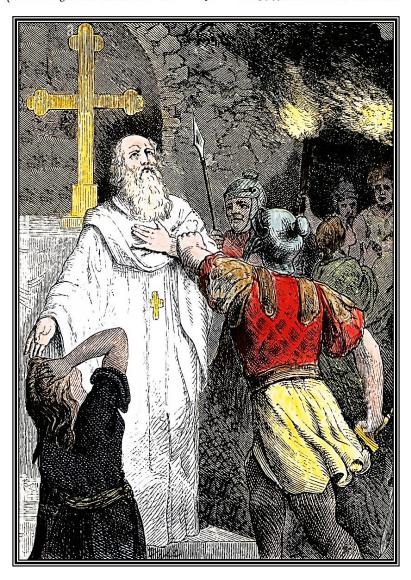
OUR VOLUNTEER STAFFED CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesday - Friday: 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

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Let us not give up the habit of meeting together, as some are doing, but Encourage one another as the Day of the Lord draws near. -Hebrews 10:25



"BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO ARE PERSECUTED FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS' SAKE, FOR THEIRS IS THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN" MATTHEW 5:10

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