

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

WINNETKA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT
MARCH 3, 2024



The 40 days of Lent are a season for reflection as we slow down, take more time, embrace intentionality, and examine our internal spiritual lives and the way we live out our Christian faith in the world.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

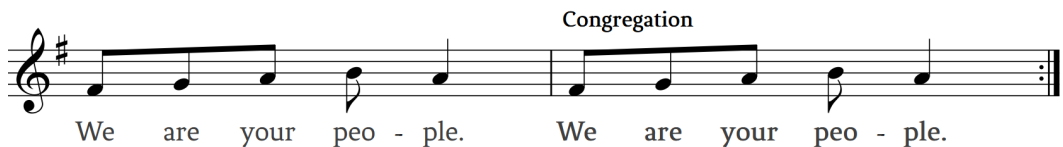
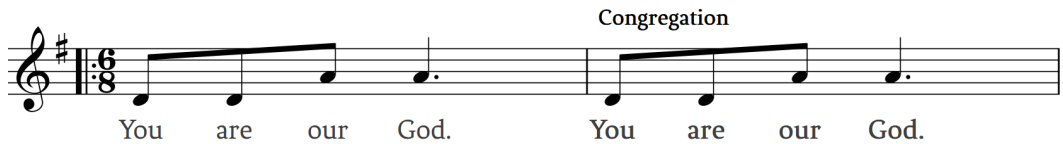
WELCOME

SILENT REFLECTION

INTROIT

O Holy One

O Holy One, we gather in your presence. O Living One, we welcome all to hope.



O Holy One, the Covenant of History. O Living One, we live and move in you.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Deuteronomy 6:4-5

Hear, O Israel:
the Lord your God is One.

We will love the Lord with all our heart, and mind, and strength, and soul.

May we learn God's commandments and teach them to our children.

We will let them guide our actions at home and work and play.

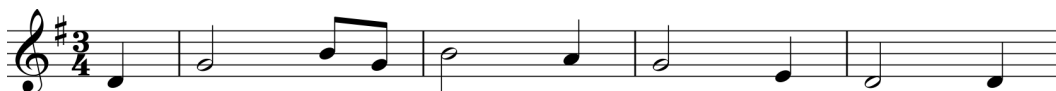
May they guide our words in the morning and in the evening.

We will write them on the doorposts of our homes and our hearts.

Come, let us worship the Lord our God!

HYMN | STANDING

The Lord is God



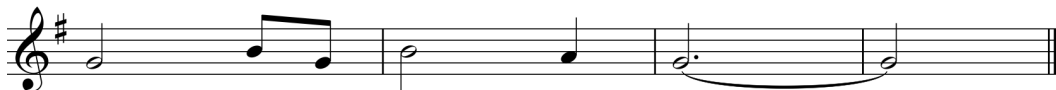
1. The Lord is___ God, the Lord a - lone! Give
2. With all your_ heart, with all your soul, with
3. At night or___ day, at home, a - way, to -
4. The Lord is___ God, the Lord a - lone! Give



ho - nor,___ thanks, and praise_____ to
all your_ mind and might,_____ O
geth - er___ and a - part,_____ O
ho - nor,___ thanks, and praise_____ to



God,___ the__ mak - er of_____ all__ things and
peo - ple,___ love the Lord___ your_ God, the
chil - dren, take these ho - ly___ words and
God,___ the__ mak - er of_____ all__ things and

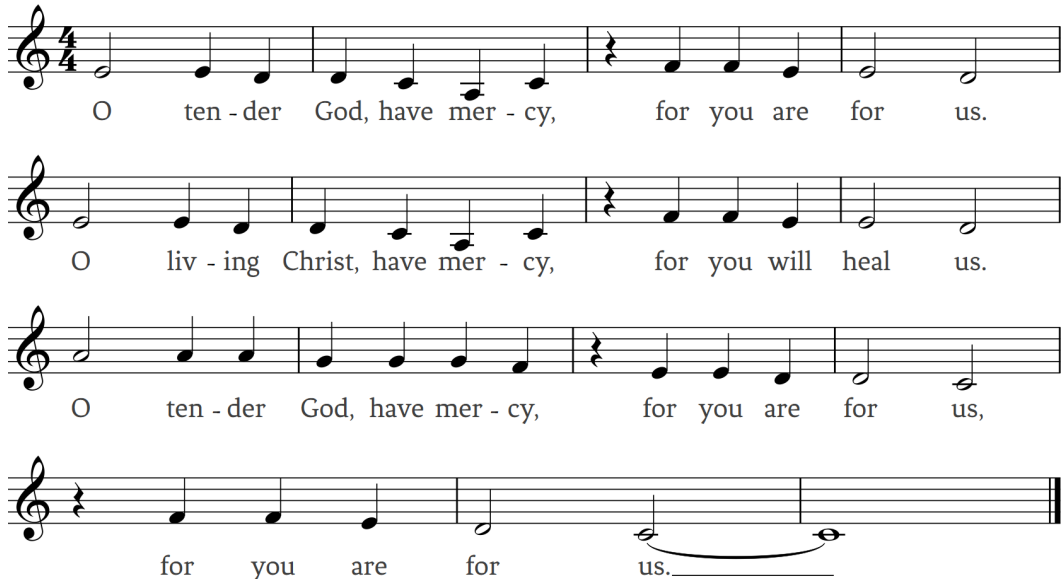


giv - er___ of our days._____
source of___ truth and light._____
keep them__ in your heart._____
giv - er___ of our days._____
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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord God,
we have not followed you as we should...
we have allowed other gods to take your place in our hearts;
we have dishonored your name by what we have said;
we have worked too hard and expected others to do so, as well;
we have resented and ignored our parents;
we been anything less than totally truthful in our dealings with others;
and we have been more focused on getting than giving.
Lord, forgive us, and set us free from the slavery to sin.

Silence is kept for personal confession.



O ten - der God, have mer - cy, for you are for us.

O liv - ing Christ, have mer - cy, for you will heal us.

O ten - der God, have mer - cy, for you are for us,

for you are for us.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Beloved, God's word never fails.
The promise rests on grace:
by the saving love of Jesus Christ,
our sins are forgiven, and God remembers them no more.
Journey in the way of Jesus.

Thanks be to God!

RESPONSE

Psalm 51

Cre - ate in me_ a clean heart, O God, that I might serve_ you.

Cre - ate in me_ a clean heart, O God, that I may be re - newed.

So fill__ me and heal__ me, and bring me_ back to__ you.

Cre - ate in me, a clean heart, O God, that I might serve_ you.

WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

COVENANT STORY

Exodus 20:1-17

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 19

The cantor sings the refrain once; then all repeat.

Lord, you have the words of ev - er - last - ing life._____

God's perfect law revives the soul.

God's stable rule guides the simple. (refrain)

God's just demands delight the heart.

God's clear commands sharpen vision. (refrain)

Their worth is more than gold, the purest gold.

Their taste richer than honey, sweet from the comb. (refrain)

Keeping them makes me rich, they bring me light;

yet faults hide within us, forgive me mine. (refrain)

EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 1:18-25

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Children stay in worship on the First Sunday of each to celebrate communion with their families.

SERMON

Show Us the Way

Rev. Paul Gilmore

MOMENT FOR CREATIVITY

(sung to the tune "Jesus Love Me")

Ten Commandments were the way

God called people to obey,

For God wanted us to see:

In obeying, we are free.

God, you are faithful.

God, you are faithful.

God, you are faithful.

Your covenant is love!

**We believe God keeps covenant forever.
Our world,
broken and scarred,
still belongs to God,
who holds it together with fierce love
and gives us hope.
God did not turn away
from a world bent on destruction
but turned to face it in love.
With patience and tender care,
the Lord set out
on the long road of redemption,
reconciling the world to God,
and creating a new covenant community.
In this community,
the homeless come home,
the broken find healing,
the sinner makes a new start,
the despised are esteemed,
the least are honored,
and the last are first.
Here the Spirit guides
and grace abounds.
Thanks be to God!**

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST | STANDING

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.
Peace, Salaam, Shalom.

BIRTHDAYS AND CELEBRATIONS

THANKSGIVING

CENTSABILITY OFFERING / OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING | STANDING

Poor Wayfaring Stranger
Warre Oja, cello

*After the offering is gathered, all stand and sing
as the bread and juice are brought to the table.*

OFFERING SONG | STANDING

Bread of the World in Mercy Broken

Bread of the world_____ in mer - cy bro - ken,____

Wine of the soul____ in mer-cy shed, by whom the words____

of life are spo- ken, and in whose death____ our sins are dead:

look on the heart_____ by sor-row bro- ken;____ look on the

tears____ by sin-ners shed; so may your feast____ be-come the

to - ken____ that by your grace_____ our souls are fed.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE | STANDING

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING | STANDING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, O God the universe.

Your mercy is everlasting

and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.

Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.

Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.

Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness

to the land of milk and honey.

Praise to you for the words and deeds

of Jesus, your anointed one.

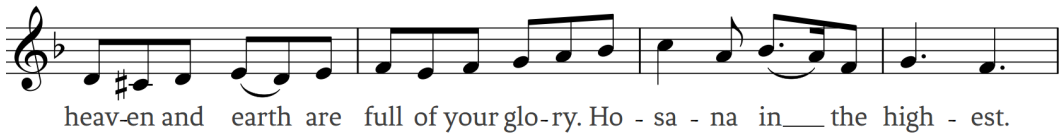
Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.

Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

For all these things we praise you,

joining our voices to the whole company of heaven,

who sing together:





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.

Praise to you for the gift of this holy meal.

With this bread and this cup

we remember our Lord's Passover

from death to life

as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died,

Christ is risen,

Christ will come again.

O God of resurrection and new life,

pour out your Holy Spirit on us,

on these gifts of bread and wine,

and on our world...

end all war and hostilities,

especially in Gaza, Israel, Ukraine, and the Sudan;

mend your broken earth;

infuse us with your peace, rooted in justice;

heal those who suffer in body or in spirit,

especially Ken, Barbara, Joanne, Allison, Jack, Kenneth, Nicole, Wendy, and Lee;

and comfort those who mourn.

With all your holy ones of all times and places,

with the earth and all its creatures,

with sun, moon, and stars,

we praise you, O God,

by your Holy Spirit,

and in the name of Jesus,

who taught us to pray...

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.
Amen.

The congregation is seated.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION

All are welcome at the Lord's Table.

Please come forward by the center aisle to receive communion.

*Once you have received, please return by the side aisles,
placing your cups in the baskets provided.*

The bread of life ... **Thanks be to God or Amen**
The cup of salvation ... **Thanks be to God or Amen**

CHORAL COMMUNION SONG

What Wondrous Love Is This

What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul.
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of life
to lay aside his crown for my soul.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Thank you, gracious God,
for giving us bread for the journey
of these forty days.

As we travel on through the wilderness,
help us to share your grace with others
and draw us ever closer to you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

SENDING

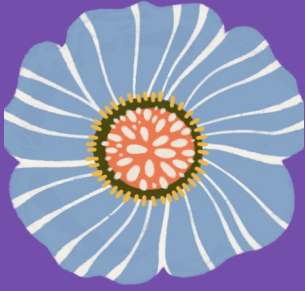
HYMN 53 | STANDING

O God, Who Gives Us Life

CHARGE AND BLESSING | STANDING

POSTLUDE

The Annual Congregational Meeting will begin immediately following worship.



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CHRISTIANITY 101

**CHRISTIANITY CAN BE CONFUSING,
BUT THE WAY OF JESUS WAS PRETTY CLEAR...**

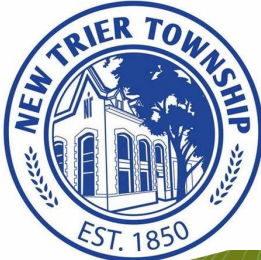
Move toward the poor
Empower the women
Create space at the table
Throw parties
Widen the family boundaries
Poke holes in oppressive systems
Don't retaliate with violence
Forgive your enemy
Don't store up wealth
Be present with people

Heal
Announce
Push back darkness

THE KINGDOM OF GOD IS NEAR

-Don Sadlier

NEW TRIER TOWNSHIP FOOD DRIVE



- COOKIES & CRACKERS
- GRANOLA BARS
- COOKING OIL
- SALAD DRESSING
- BROWN AND WHITE RICE MIXES
- PASTA SAUCE
- JELLY (ALL FLAVORS)
- TOOTHPASTE
- MOUTHWASH
- SHAMPOO
- SOAP AND CLEANING SUPPLIES

Just bring any of the following items to church throughout the Lenten season and place them in the bins provided.

EASTER FLOWER OFFERING

If you would like to help fill the sanctuary with flowers for Easter Sunday (and the Easter season), please fill out this form and return it by Sunday, March 24.

In loving memory _____

In honor _____

In thanksgiving _____

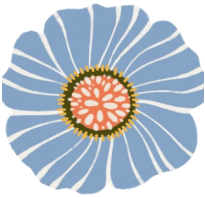
Given by _____

Donation Amount _____



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LENTEN SCHEDULE 2024



WEDNESDAY SOUP SUPPERS

WEDNESDAYS @ 5:45PM-7PM

You're invited for soup and conversation on the Wednesdays in Lent.



CHRISTIAN FORMATION CLASSES

SUNDAYS @ 11:15AM-12:15AM

Join us following worship on the Sundays in Lent for an engaging video series on "The Historical Jesus."



HOLY WEEK

PALM SUNDAY / MARCH 24 @ 10AM

MAUNDY THURSDAY / MARCH 28 @ 7PM

Remember the Last Supper of Jesus with a Holy Communion service under the balcony.



GOOD FRIDAY / MARCH 29 @ 7PM

We will be worshipping together with members from the Lutheran Church of the Ascension, St. James the Less Episcopal Church, and Northfield Community Church. **The service will be held at St. James (550 Sunset Ridge Rd, Northfield).** We are excited about this joint worship opportunity with our neighbors. Our musicians, pastor, and music director will be helping with this special service.



EASTER SUNDAY

MARCH 31 @ 10AM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Information about weekly Bible studies and small groups can be found in your weekly email or at winnpres.org. Sign up at winnpres.org to receive our weekly email.



OFFERING

- Scan QR code
- Offering plate in worship
- Online at winnpres.org

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING TODAY

Our annual congregational meeting will be immediately following worship.

LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS: WED @ 5:45PM

You're invited each Wednesday in Lent from 5:45-7pm for soup and conversation.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION NEXT SUNDAY

Come and learn more about *The Historical Jesus* during Lent. This class is in Conference Room B following worship on March 10, 17, and 24.

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SERVING TODAY

Worship Leaders: Paul Gilmore, Geoff Duffy

Greeters: Nancy Holly

Ushers: Connor Sognefest

Lector: Sam Beukenkamp

Communion: Ella and Annabelle Witt

Musicians: Bryan Wlas, Daniel Rausch,

Shannon McMullen, Kyra Kornfeld,

Warren Oja

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