



ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH
ROOTED AND GROWING

March 29, 2020
Service of the Word

Confession and Forgiveness

We worship in the name in which we baptize, in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.....

Most merciful God,

We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Gathering Hymn: "Come, Thou Font of Every Blessing" (# 807)

- 1 Come, thou Fount of ev'ry blessing,
tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing,
call for songs of loudest praise.
While the hope of endless glory
fills my heart with joy and love,
teach me ever to adore thee;
may I still thy goodness prove.
- 2 Here I raise my Ebenezer:
"Hither by thy help I've come";
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,
safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
wand'ring from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger,
interposed his precious blood.
- 3 Oh, to grace how great a debtor
daily I'm constrained to be;
let that grace now like a fetter
bind my wand'ring heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it;
prone to leave the God I love.
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it;
seal it for thy courts above.

Apostolic Greeting

Kyrie: *(Kyrie Eleison means Lord have mercy. The congregation will repeat what the leader sings.)*

(Leader) Kyrie, Kyrie eleison. **(All)** Kyrie, Kyrie eleison.

(Leader) Christe, Christe eleison. **(All)** Christe, Christe eleison.

(Leader) Kyrie, Kyrie eleison. **(All)** Kyrie, Kyrie eleison.

Prayer of the Day: The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Reading: Ezekiel 37:1-14

Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 130

¹Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD.

²LORD, hear my voice!

Let your ears be attentive
to the voice of my supplications!

³If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities,
LORD, who could stand?

⁴But there is forgiveness with you,
so that you may be revered.

⁵I wait for the LORD, my soul waits,
and in his word I hope;

⁶my soul waits for the LORD
more than those who watch for the morning,
more than those who watch for the morning.

⁷O Israel, hope in the LORD!

For with the LORD there is steadfast love,
and with him is great power to redeem.

⁸It is he who will redeem Israel
from all its iniquities.

Reading: Romans 8:6-11

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Gospel Acclamation

*We are turning, Lord, to hear you; you are merciful and kind-
slow to anger, rich in blessing, and with love to us inclined.*

Gospel: John 11:17-45

Sermon: Rev. Robert J. Myallis

Hymn: "My Life Flows On in Endless Song" (ELW 763)

1 My life flows on in endless song;
above earth's lamentation,
I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn
that hails a new creation.

Refrain

No storm can shake my inmost calm
while to that Rock I'm clinging.
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth,
how can I keep from singing?

2 Through all the tumult and the strife,
I hear that music ringing.
It finds an echo in my soul.
How can I keep from singing? *Refrain*

3 What though my joys and comforts die?
The Lord my Savior liveth.
What though the darkness gather round?
Songs in the night he giveth. *Refrain*

4 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart,
a fountain ever springing!
All things are mine since I am his!
How can I keep from singing? *Refrain*

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,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again 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.**

Prayers of Intercession: *(Each prayer petition will end with the phrase "Together we pray." The congregation will then together sing:)*

*Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord send your spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.*

Lord's Prayer

Sending Hymn: "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"

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| 1 My hope is built on nothing less
than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
no merit of my own I claim,
but wholly lean on Jesus' name. | 3 His oath, his covenant, his blood
sustain me in the raging flood;
when all supports are washed away,
he then is all my hope and stay. <i>Refrain</i> |
| 2 When darkness veils his lovely face,
I rest on his unchanging grace;
in ev'ry high and stormy gale
my anchor holds within the veil. <i>Refrain</i> | 4 When he shall come with trumpet
sound,
oh, may I then in him be found,
clothed in his righteousness alone,
redeemed to stand before the throne!
<i>Refrain</i> |

Sending: Go in peace. Share the good news. **Thanks be to God.**

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