TABOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

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TABOR LUTHERAN CHURCHMarch 3, 20243rd Sunday in Lent9:30 a.m.Setting - Now the Feast and Celebration by Marty Haugen

INTRODUCTION

The third covenant in this year's Lenten readings is the central one of Israel's history: the gift of the law to those God freed from slavery. The commandments begin with the statement that because God alone has freed us from the powers that oppressed us, we are to let nothing else claim first place in our lives. When Jesus throws the merchants out of the temple, he is defending the worship of God alone and rejecting the ways commerce and profit-making can become our gods. The Ten Commandments are essential to our baptismal call: centered first in God's liberating love, we strive to live out justice and mercy in our communities and the world.

PRELUDE

Announcements are on pages 18.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A very warm welcome to all who worship here this morning, we thank God for sending you to Tabor.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who writes the law on our hearts, who draws all people together through Jesus. **Amen.**

Held in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy God,

we confess that we are caught in snares of sin and cannot break free. We hoard resources while our neighbors are hungry and cold. We speak in ways that silence others. We are silent when we should speak up. We keep score in our hearts. We let hurts grow into hatred. For all these things and for sins only you know, forgive us, Lord. Amen.

Here is a flood of grace: Out of love for the whole world, God draws near to us, breaks every snare of sin, washes away our wrongs, and restores the promise of life through + Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

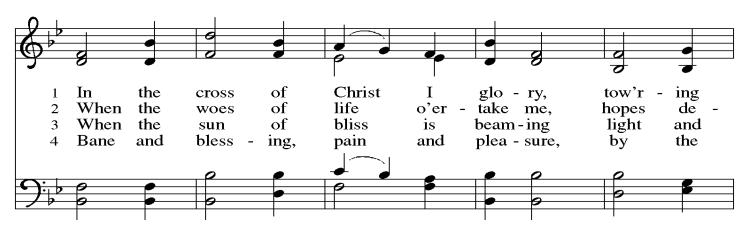
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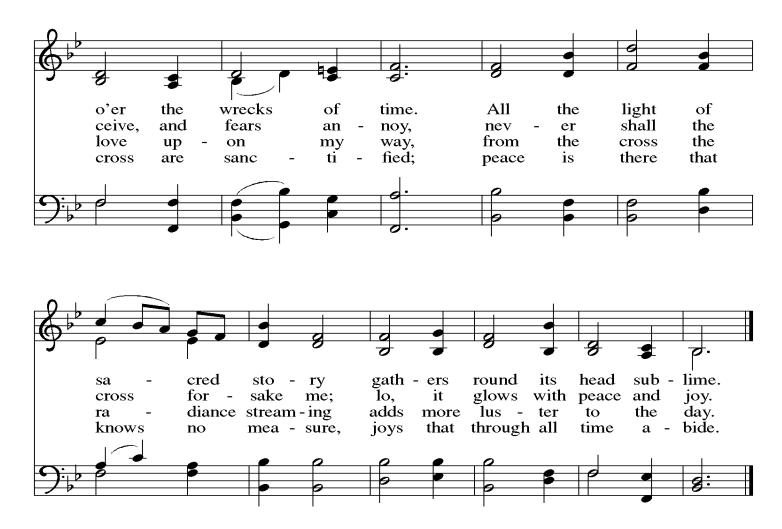
GATHERING

GATHERING SONG

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

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Text: John Bowring, 1792–1872 Music: RATHBUN, Ithamar Conkey, 1815–1867

GREETING

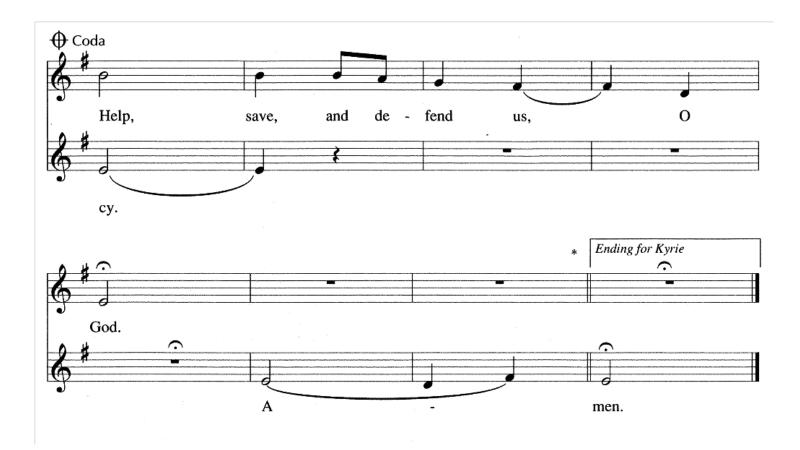
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

CHILDREN GO TO JAM

The Children are invited to come forward. The children are dismissed for Children's JAM, Sunday School, returning during the Peace.



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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Holy God, through your Son you have called us to live faithfully and act courageously. Keep us steadfast in your covenant of grace, and teach us the wisdom that comes only through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

<u>WORD</u>

FIRST READING: Exodus 20:1-17 The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

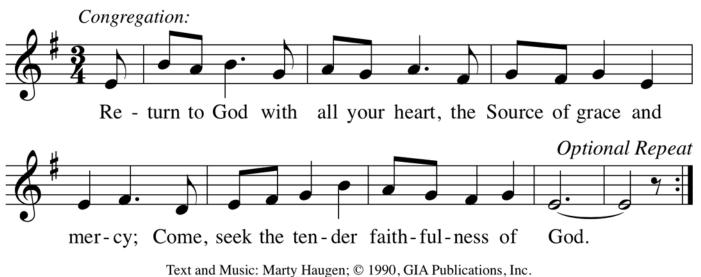
PSALM: Psalm 19

Read responsively

- ¹The heavens declare the glo-[|]ry of God, and the sky proclaims its [|] maker's handiwork.
- ²One day tells its tale ¹ to another,
- and one night imparts knowledge $^{\mid}$ to another.
- ³Although they have no⁻¹ words or language,
 - and their voices are not heard,
- ⁴their sound has gone out into all lands, and their message to the ends ¹ of the world, where God has pitched a tent ¹ for the sun.
- ⁵It comes forth like a bridegroom out ¹ of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to ¹ run its course.
- ⁶It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of [|] it again; nothing is hidden from its [|] burning heat.
- ⁷The teaching of the LORD is perfect and re-¹ vives the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom¹ to the simple.
- ⁸The statutes of the LORD are just and re-¹ joice the heart; the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light ¹ to the eyes.
- ⁹The fear of the LORD is clean and en-¹ dures forever; the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous ¹ altogether.
- ¹⁰More to be desired are they than gold, more than [|] much fine gold, sweeter far than honey, than honey [|] in the comb.
- ¹¹By them also is your ser-[|] vant enlightened,
- and in keeping them there is great reward.
- ¹²Who can detect one's own offenses?
 - Cleanse me from my [|] secret faults.
- ¹³Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;
 let them not get dominion ¹ over me;
 then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a ¹ great offense.
- ¹⁴Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable [|] in your sight,
 - O LORD, my strength and [|] my redeemer.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 1:18-25 The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



The Holy gospel according to John, the 2nd Chapter. Glory to you O Lord.

GOSPEL: John 2:13-22 The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

Pastor Mark Patzke

A brief silence for reflection.

Please stand if you are able

HYMN OF THE DAY

Canticle of the Turning

Canticle of the Turning

My with 1 soul cries out a joy _ ful shout that the my . . . to the 2 Though Ι am small, God, my all, you . . . pow'r 3 From the halls of for tress tow'r, not а Though the na tions rage from . . age, we re age to and my spir - it sings and your mer - cy will last God of my heart is great, sings of the work great.. things in from the me, Let the king be stone will be left on stone. ware for your God's mem-ber who holds us fast: mer - cy must de wait. won drous things that you bring to the ones who depths of the end be. the past to of the age to jus tears ev -'ry ty his throne. tice rant from -. . . liv _ us from the con - quer - or's crush - ing grasp. er sight You fixed your on your ser - vant's plight, and my puts the proud Your ver name shame. and -У to to The hun poor shall . . more, for the gry weep no that our fore - bears This sav _ ing word heard is the 0 weak - ness you did spurn, so from east west shall my not to you those who would for yearn, you will show your might, put the bles spread, food they can nev er earn; there are ta – ev - 'ry _ can be prom - ise which holds bound, till the spear and us rod Could the name be blest. world be a - bout to turn? strong to flight, for the world is a - bout to turn. mouth be fed, for the world is a - bout to turn. by God, who crushed is turn ing the world а round. Refrain My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your jus-tice burn. Wipe a - way all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is a-bout to turn.

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Please be seated.

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 into hell. 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.

Please be seated.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Trusting in God's promise to reconcile all things, let us pray for the church, the well-being of creation, and a world in need. *A brief silence*

Each petition ends: Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Prayers conclude with:

Accompany us on our journey, God of grace, and receive the prayers of our hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

MEAL

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say: **Peace be with you.**

Please be seated. OFFERING OF GIFTS, TITHES AND MUSIC Special Piano Music

Please stand if you are able. **OFFERTORY**

Create in Me a Clean Heart **Offering Song** Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right 9 with in Cast spir - it me. a - way from your me not Þ pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir it from me. Re -_ the joy of sal _ store un - to me your tion, va _ and up hold me with your free Spir it.

OFFERING PRAYER

Jesus, you are the bread of life and the host of this meal. Bless these gifts that we have gathered that all people may know your goodness. Feed us not only with this holy food but with hunger for justice and peace. We pray this in your name. **Amen.**

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

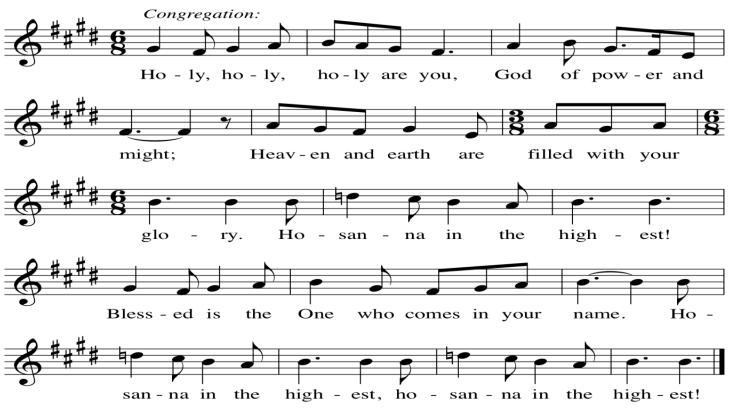
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

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, HOLY



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THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Blessed are you, O God of the universe... ...as we proclaim the mystery of faith: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

O God of resurrection and new life...

...Grace our table with your presence.

Come Holy Spirit.

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread... ...Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love. **Come Holy Spirit.**

...We praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever. **Amen.**

All praise and glory are yours... ...one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

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 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

Bread for the journey. A feast for hungry hearts. Come! **Thanks be to God!**

COMMUNION

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you. and each person may respond Amen.

he Lord's table is open to all worshipers from all denominations who wish to share in God's blessing of the sacrament of Holy Communion. The real presence of Christ is in the bread and wine. Please follow the directions of the ushers. Gluten free wafers and grape juice are available if you prefer.

Please let the usher know if you need assistance.

Please be seated. COMMUNION SONG



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COMMUNION HYMN

Please repeat until Communion is complete

Bread of Life from Heaven



Text: Susan R. Briehl, b. 1952 Music: ARGENTINE SANTO | BREAK NOW THE BREAD, Argentine traditional, refrain; Marty Haugen, b. 1950, stanzas Text and music © 2001 GIA Publications, Inc., 7404 S. Mason Ave., Chicago, IL 60638, www.giamusic.com. 800.442.3358. All rights reserved. Used by permission.

Please stand if you are able.

COMMUNION BLESSING

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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

BLESSING

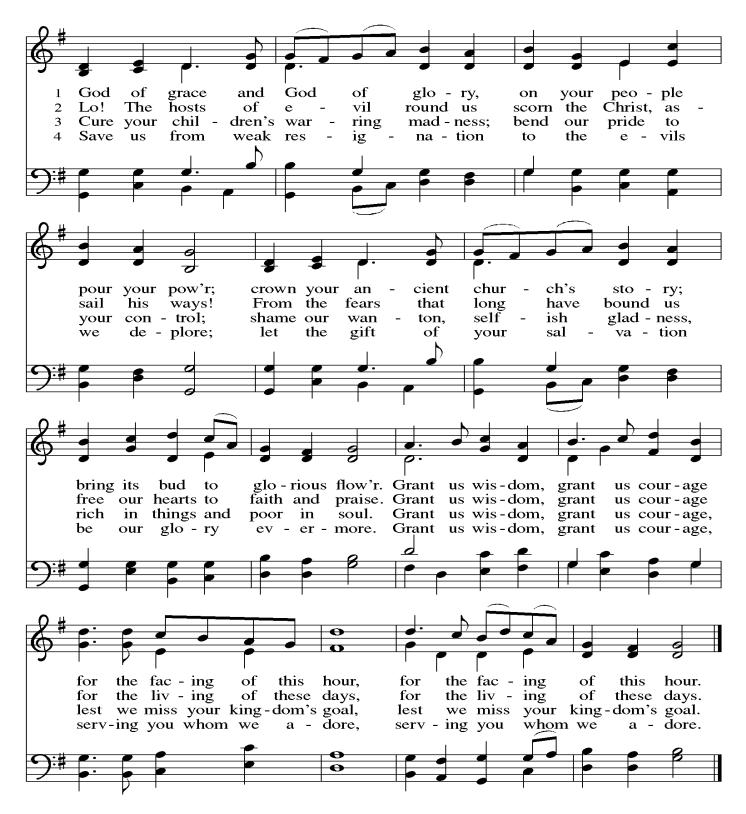
Beloved, we are God's own people, holy, washed, renewed.

God bless you and keep you, shower you with mercy, fill you with courage, and + give you peace. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

God of Grace and God of Glory

God of Grace and God of Glory



Text: Harry E. Fosdick, 1878–1969 Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873–1932

DISMISSAL Go in peace. Share your bread. **Thanks be to God!**

Disciples Serving:	Today	Next Sunday
Assisting Minister:	Riley Dunton	Cyrisse Cooley
Presider:	Pastor Mark Patzke	Pastor Dominic Palacios
Pianist:	Dr. J. Michael Beck	Dr. J. Michael Beck
Altar Guild:	Sue Kastelic	Sue Kastelic
Ushers/Greeters:	Jackie Cooley	Jackie Cooley
Counters:	Kathy & Steve M./Sue Kastelic	Stacie Bowens/Cassie Wagren
JAM:	Stacie Bowens/Connie Wisthoff	Children's Sermon

PRAYERS

Members, Friends and Relatives	Added by Members
Doris Ask	People of Tabor
Shirley Bass	People of Tabor
Shirley DeRungs	People of Tabor
Virgie Giannetto	Lynn Truxell
Nina Jesmain	People of Tabor
Clay Kashner	People of Tabor
Cheryl Ostern	Sister of Sue Kastelic
Sydney Pine	Truxell Family
Pounds Family	Friends of Kastelic Family
Pam Salas	People of Tabor
The Stone/Pilakowski Family	Truxell Family
The Tristano Family	People of Tabor
Marvin Truxell	Truxell & Vargues Families
Charlotte Vargues	People of Tabor
Linda Wagner	Lynn Truxell
Brooklyn Youngblood	Janis Youngblood

BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES

March 1 March 9 **Roger Truxell** Darrell & Leanne Neu

39 years

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- *Easter Lilies to decorate the church for Easter are available to purchase for \$15.* Order forms and payment envelopes are on the table in the Narthex.
- We will be having Easter Breakfast at 8:30am on Easter Sunday, March 31st. Council ٠ will provide the main dish. Please sign up to bring breakfast breads/muffins, fruit and juice, as well as setup and clean up. Sign-up sheet is on the table in the Narthex.
- *Our Easter Egg Hunt will be after church on Easter Sunday. All children ages 3 to* elementary school are invited. Please bring your own basket and join in the fun!
- Thrivent Choice: Eligible Thrivent Financial members who have Choice Dollars • available have until March 31, 2024 to call in to direct any remaining Choice Dollars.