



Sunday, March 14, 2021 at 10:45 A.M.

Fourth Sunday in Lent
The Promise of Restoration

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Amazing Grace

Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but now I'm found
Was blind but now I see, so clearly

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed

When we've been there ten thousand years
Bright shining as the sun
We've no less days to sing Your praise
Than when we'd first begun

WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER

GATHERING SONGS: *I Want Jesus to Walk with Me*

**I want Jesus to walk with me
I want Jesus to walk with me
All along my pilgrim journey
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**

**I want Jesus to walk with me
I want Jesus to walk with me
All along my pilgrim journey
I want Jesus to walk with me**

**Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me**

What a Beautiful Name

**You were the Word at the beginning
One with God the Lord Most High
Your hidden glory in creation
Now revealed in You our Christ**

**What a beautiful Name it is
What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a beautiful Name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus**

**You didn't want heaven without us
So Jesus, You brought heaven down
My sin was great, Your love was greater
What could separate us now?**

**What a wonderful Name it is
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a wonderful Name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus**

**Death could not hold You
The veil tore before You
You silenced the boast of sin and grave
The heavens are roaring
The praise of Your glory
For You are raised to life again**

**You have no rival
You have no equal
Now and forever, God You reign
Yours is the kingdom
Yours is the glory
Yours is the Name above all names**

**What a powerful Name it is
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a powerful Name it is
Nothing can stand against
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus**

**What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus
What a powerful Name it is
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WORD

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SCRIPTURE – Numbers 21:4-9

⁴From Mount Hor [the Israelites] set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. ⁵The people spoke against God and against Moses, “Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food.” ⁶Then the LORD sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. ⁷The people came to Moses and said, “We have sinned by speaking against the LORD and against you; pray to the LORD to take away the serpents from us.” So Moses prayed for the people. ⁸And the LORD said to Moses, “Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live.” ⁹So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

Word of God. Word of Life.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Rev. Christina Garrett Klein



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

You are invited to pray... through song, through silent reflection, through words, or anything else in between. May this song guide your prayers today. If you would like to lift prayers up so that others might pray, too, please do so in the comments section during our livestream worship.

Holy Spirit

**There's nothing worth more
That will ever come close
Nothing can compare,
You're our living hope,
Your presence, Lord**

**I've tasted and seen
of the sweetest of loves
Where my heart becomes free
And my shame is undone,
Your Presence, Lord**

***Chorus:* Holy Spirit, you are welcome here
Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere
Your glory, God, is what our hearts long for
To be overcome by your presence, Lord**

(Repeat All)

**Let us become more aware of your presence
Let us experience the Glory of Your Goodness
Let us become more aware of your presence
Let us experience the Glory of Your Goodness
Let us become more aware of your presence
Let us experience the Glory of Your Goodness**

**Holy Spirit, you are welcome here
Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere
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MEAL

We practice two sacraments in the Lutheran tradition: baptism and holy communion. These are celebrated in community, in public worship, where we can all participate and remember together: God is known for using ordinary earthly things (like water, bread, and wine) to make extraordinary promises (like forgiveness, salvation, healing and new life) to creation.

Today is a good reminder that this simple meal nourishes God's community across time and space. We would rather be with you in person for the sacrament today, but we trust Jesus to show up beyond our limitations, to meet us in this separation with a Spirit that unites, to feed us with the bread of life who is our source and strength.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.**

We don't serve ourselves communion because there's something holy about that promise coming from outside our own bodies, a perfect declaration from God spoken to us by our neighbor: This is the body of Christ, given for you. This is the blood of Christ, poured out for you. If you are gathered together with others from your household, speak these words aloud when you serve each other. If you do not have someone in the room with you while you receive the sacrament, hear my voice as the external word of grace and invitation.

+ + *Receive the Meal* + +

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

We pause for prayer and reflection, offering time to commune one another.

SENDING

OFFERING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

SENDING SONG

Amazing Love (You Are My King)

**I'm forgiven because You were forsaken
I'm accepted, You were condemned
I'm alive and well, Your Spirit is within me
Because You died and rose again**

Repeat

**Amazing love, how can it be
That You, my King, would die for me?
Amazing love, I know it's true
It's my joy to honor You**

Repeat

In all I do, I honor You

**You are my King... You are my King
Jesus, You are my King... Jesus, You are my King**

**Amazing love, how can it be
That You, my King, would die for me?
Amazing love, I know it's true
It's my joy to honor You
In all I do, I honor You**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Dwell in God's promises.
Thanks be to God.

*Join us on ZOOM for Lenten midweek services, Wednesdays at 7pm.
See you next week for worship at 5pm on Saturday
and livestream at 8:45am & 10:45am on Sunday!*



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Transforming lives by sharing a saving faith in Jesus Christ
and living the Gospel through service

If you would like to add a name to our prayer list, connect with our ministries,
meet with our pastor, or learn more about ELC and how to join, feel free to call or
email us. You are always welcome here.

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