



Sunday, March 7, 2021

8:45 A.M.

Third Sunday in Lent – Promise of Belonging

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Thee We Adore

Arr. Cathy Moglebust

Edgebrook Lutheran Church Handbell Choir

WELCOME

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
the keeper of the covenant, the source of steadfast love, our rock and our redeemer.
Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In this season of Lent, we hear the stories of how God has formed us
out of dust and ash and promises into God's own people.
But time and again our commitment crumbles, and we are scattered by sin.

Beloved, let us return to God, confessing what tears us apart
so that God can put us back together.

A brief silence.

God, we confess: we have sinned.

**We have turned away from you,
away from one another, into ourselves.**

**We have allowed our love of you
to be supplanted by the fear of other things:
death, suffering, weakness, want.**

Rebuild what we have ruined and mend what we have torn.

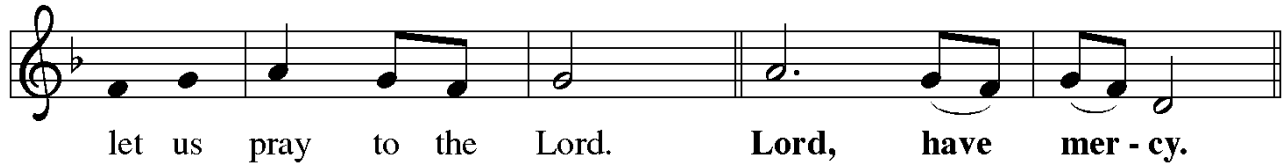
Help us.

Promise us that even this brokenness can be made well.

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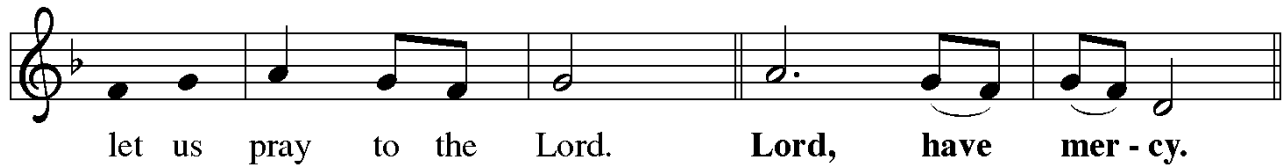
S120 – Marty Haugen

In peace,



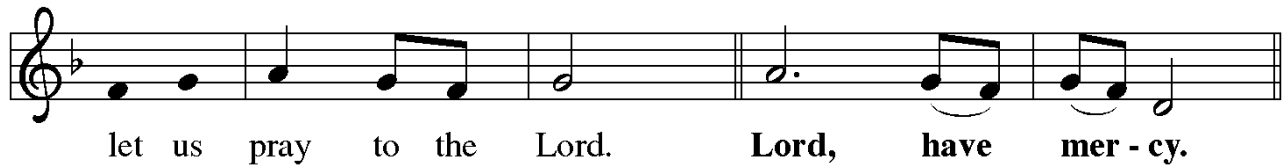
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For the peace from above, and for our salvation,



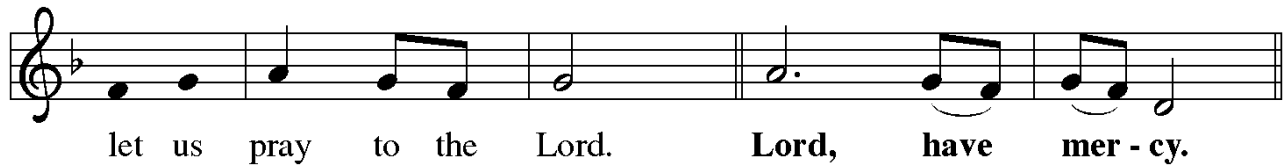
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For the peace of the whole world, for the well being of the church of God, and for the unity of all,

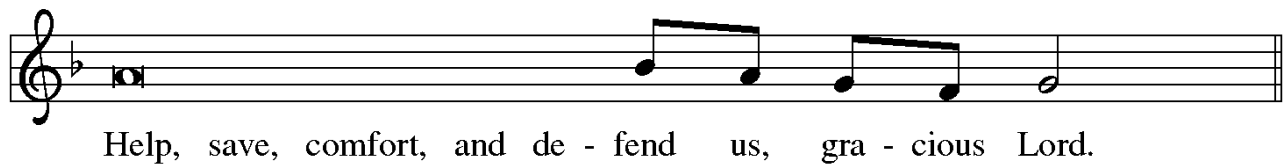


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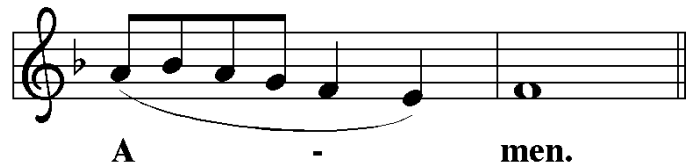
For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.

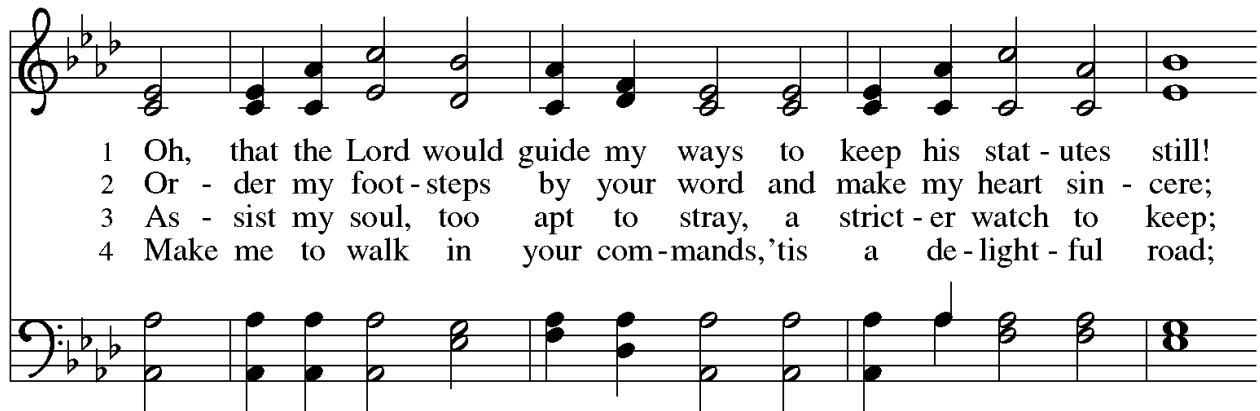


A - men.


Siblings in Christ, listen to this good news:
 God knew of our brokenness even before we knew it ourselves.
 In accordance with the ancient promise, God became dust:
 Jesus Christ came among us, to live and die and rise again.
 For his sake, + God forgives us all our sins.
 For his sake, God renews all God's promises.
 For his sake, God remakes us as the body of Christ for the sake of the world.
Thanks be to God! Amen.

GATHERING HYMN *O, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways*

ELW 772



1 Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways to keep his stat - utes still!
 2 Or - der my foot - steps by your word and make my heart sin - cere;
 3 As - sist my soul, too apt to stray, a strict - er watch to keep;
 4 Make me to walk in your com - mands, 'tis a de - light - ful road;



Oh, that my God would grant me grace to know and do his will!
 let sin have no do - min - ion, Lord, but keep my con - science clear.
 and should I e'er for - get your way, re - store your wan - d'ring sheep.
 nor let my head or heart or hands of - fend a - gainst my God.

GREETING

The love of God poured into our hearts, the saving grace of Jesus Christ, and the abundant life of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God, Solid Rock, you carve out a path on which we can live rightly with you and each other. But the record shows our stubbornness. So, God, we pray: be stubborner. Oust our impulse to follow other paths. As many times as we turn from you, turn us back, again and again, until your will is done on earth as it is in heaven. **Amen.**

WORD

CHILDREN'S SERMON

FIRST READING – 1 Corinthians 12:4-7, 12-14, 26-27

⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.

¹²For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. ¹⁴Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many.

²⁶If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it. ²⁷Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it.

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

S125 – Marty Haugen



Let your stead - fast love come to us, O Lord.



Save us as you prom - ised; we will trust your word.



Save us as you prom - ised; we will trust your word.

GOSPEL – Matthew 18:19-20

The gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁹Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. ²⁰For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Rev. Michael Stadie

HYMN OF THE DAY *All My Hope on God is Founded* ELW 757



1 All my hope on God is found - ed who will all my
2 Mor - tal pride and earth - ly glo - ry, sword and crown be -
3 Great thy good-ness, e'er en - dur - ing; deep thy wis - dom,
4 Still from earth to God e - ter - nal sac - ri - fice of



trust re - new, who through change and chance will guide me,
tray our trust; what with care and toil we fash - ion,
pass - ing thought; splen - dor, light, and life at - tend thee,
praise be done, high a - bove all prais - es prais - ing



on - ly good and on - ly true. God un - known, God a -
tow'r and tem - ple, fall to dust. But thy pow'r, hour by
beau - ty spring - ing out of naught. Ev - er - more from thy
for the gift of God's own Son. Christ doth call one and



lone, call my heart to be thine own.
hour, is my tem - ple and my tow'r.
store new - born worlds rise and a - dore.
all: ye who fol - low shall not fall.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Relying on the promises of God, we pray boldly for the church, the world, and all in need, responding to each prayer with the words, "**Your mercy is great.**"

A brief silence.

We entrust ourselves and all our prayers to you, O faithful God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

MEAL

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.**

+ + + *Receive the Meal* + + +

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

We pause for prayer and reflection, and to give time to commune those gathered with others in the household.

SENDING

OFFERING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

You are what God made you to be: created in Christ Jesus for good works, chosen as holy and beloved, freed to serve your neighbor.

God bless you ☩ that you may be a blessing,
in the name of the holy and life-giving Trinity.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN

God of Grace and God of Glory

ELW 705



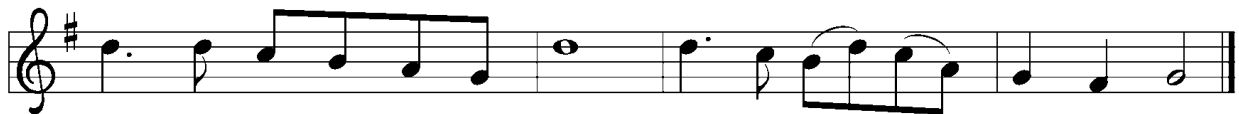
1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on your peo - ple
 2 Lo! The hosts of e - vil round us scorn the Christ, as -
 3 Cure your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils



pour your pow'r; crown your an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry;
 sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us
 your con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,
 we de - plore; let the gift of your sal - va - tion



bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age
 free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age
 rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,



for the fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.
 for the liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.
 lest we miss your king - dom's goal, lest we miss your king - dom's goal.
 serv - ing you whom we a - dore, serv - ing you whom we a - dore.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Dwell in God's promise.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

God of Grace and God of Glory

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See you next week for worship at 5pm on Saturday
and livestream at 8:45am & 10:45am on Sunday!***