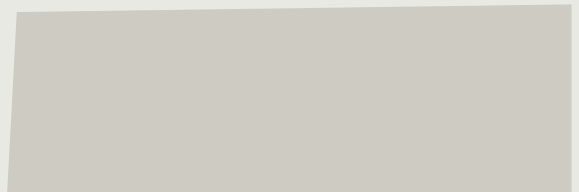
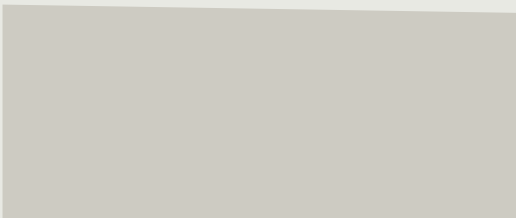


A HOLY LENT

The Fourth Sunday in Lent

Sunday, March 10, 2024



**TODAY'S OFFERING OF WORSHIP
THIS FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT**

We gather together...

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CONFESSION

**Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide,
and too deep to undo.**

**Forgive what our lips are slow to name, what breaks our hearts to recall,
and what has become for us a burden of guilt.**

**Set us free from the past we cannot change;
and grant us grace to grow more and more into your likeness and image;
with the conviction of your Spirit, through the intercession of your Christ,
and for your sake, we pray. Amen.**

ABSOLUTION

Christ himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins,
we might live for righteousness. (*1 Peter 2:24*)

KYRIE ELEISON

Lord, Have Mercy (*Kyrie Eleison*)

Thomas Pavlechko

(Choir) (Congregation) (Choir)



Lord, have__merc - y. Lord, have__merc -- y. Christ, have__merc - y.

(Congregation) (Choir) (Congregation)



Christ, have__merc -- y. Lord, have merc - y. Lord, have mer -- cy.

***INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever.
Amen.**

***HYMN #10:** *Immortal, Invisible, God only Wise*

...to hear God's Word...

FIRST LESSON

Numbers 21:4-9 (*Old Testament page 139*)

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. **Amen.**

PSALM

HYMNAL #833: Psalm 107

SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 2:1-10 (*New Testament page 192*)

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. **Amen.**

***GOSPEL LESSON**

John 3:14-21 (*New Testament page 94*)

The Gospel of our Lord, God's living Word. **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

***HYMN #71:** *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*

SERMON: *Pastor Lauren St. Martin*

...and to respond with our lives...

CHORAL ANTHEM: A Canticle Intonation

~ Alan Schultz

*We glory in your Cross, O Lord, and praise and glorify your Holy Resurrection;
for by virtue of your cross joy has come to the whole world.*

*May God be merciful to us and bless us, show us the Light of his countenance and come to us.
Let the peoples praise you, O God; Let all the peoples praise you.
Let your ways be known upon earth, your saving health upon all nations.*

*We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you, because by your holy Cross you have redeemed the world.
If we have died with him, we shall also live with him; if we endure we shall also reign with him.*

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you, because by your holy Cross you have redeemed the world. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERINGS TO GOD

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

...in the places we now go.

*HYMN #605: *Renew Your Church*

*BENEDICTION

(There will be no Postlude during Lent. Depart in peace.)

Join us after the service for coffee and conversation, in the Narthex. Welcome!

Special thanks to our guest musician today, Eric Verlinde.



TODAY'S FLOWERS

The flowers this morning are given by George Brinkmann in loving memory of **Judy Brinkmann**, on the occasion of her birthday, March 12.

GREETERS: Jim and Annita Presti

READERS: Carol (Ann) Sundholm, Carol (Alice) Sundholm

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: Elaine Johnson

USHER: Sandy Larsen

COFFEE SERVERS: Sloane and James Haagenon

LIVESTREAM: Kendall Magnuson

