

3rd Sunday in Lent

May 8, 2026 – 8:30 AM

PRELUDE MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

***HYMN #556 “MORNING HAS BROKEN” CCLI #55206**

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

A: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

A: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

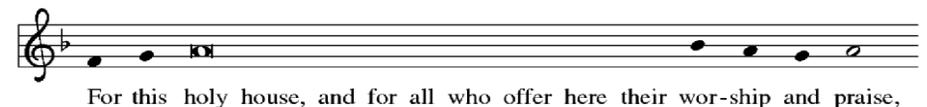
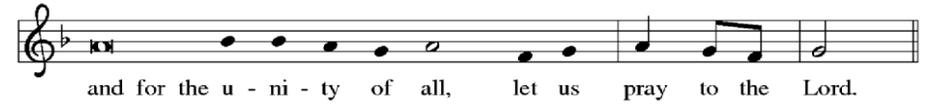
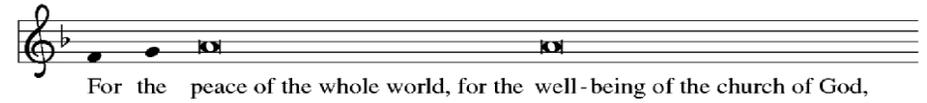
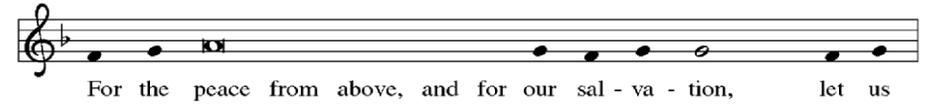
Time of silence for reflection

A: 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.

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

Kyrie



*PRAYER OF THE DAY

CHOIR ANTHEM *“Trust In Him” -Words by Louisa M.R. Stead; Arr. by Charles Yannerella*

DISMISSAL FOR CHILDREN’S CHURCH *Children from ages 4 to 8 are invited to go to the children’s church program for an age-appropriate bible lesson. They will return after the sermon.*

Word

READING – JOHN 18:12-27

So the band of soldiers and their captain and the officers of the Jews arrested Jesus and bound him. First they led him to Annas, for he was the father-in-law of Caiaphas, who was high priest that year. It was Caiaphas who had advised the Jews that it would be expedient that one man should die for the people.

Simon Peter followed Jesus, and so did another disciple. Since that disciple was known to the high priest, he entered with Jesus into the courtyard of the high priest, but Peter stood outside at the door. So the other disciple, who was known to the high priest, went out and spoke to the servant girl who kept watch at the door, and brought Peter in. The servant girl at the door said to Peter, “You also are not one of this man’s disciples, are you?” He said, “I am not.” Now the servants and officers had made a charcoal fire, because it was cold, and they were standing and warming themselves. Peter also was with them, standing and warming himself. The high priest then questioned Jesus about his disciples and his teaching. Jesus answered him, “I have spoken openly to the world. I have always taught in synagogues and in the temple, where all Jews come together. I have said nothing in secret. Why do you ask me? Ask those who have heard me what I said to them; they know what I said.” When he had said these things, one of the officers standing by struck Jesus with his hand, saying, “Is that how you answer the high priest?” Jesus answered him, “If what I said is wrong, bear witness about the wrong; but if what I said is right, why do you strike me?” Annas then sent him bound to Caiaphas the high priest.

Now Simon Peter was standing and warming himself. So they said to him, “You also are not one of his disciples, are you?” He denied it and said, “I am not.” One of the servants of the high priest, a relative of the man whose ear Peter had cut off, asked, “Did I not see you in the garden with him?” Peter again denied it, and at once a rooster crowed.

SERMON BY PASTOR MIKE

*SERMON HYMN #320 “THE GLORY OF THESE FORTY DAYS” PD

*NICENE CREED

A: *“Let us celebrate our common faith, using the words of the Nicene Creed.”*

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

OFFERING & REFLECTION MUSIC

Offering Prayer

P: Merciful God, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us: ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***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, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

SHARING THE MEAL

Our Lord Jesus is the host of this communion meal. We welcome all baptized Christians to join us.

- All those who believe Jesus is Lord are welcome.
- Children who haven't received communion instruction are more than welcome to come forward for a blessing.
- If you need non-alcoholic or gluten-free, just ask your server.
- And the ushers will direct you forward.

HYMN #496 "ONE BREAD, ONE BODY" OL#230252

HYMN #515 "BREAK NOW THE BREAD OF LIFE" PD

COMMUNION BLESSING

Sending

COUNCIL INSTALLATION

BENEDICTION

***HYMN #818 "O MASTER, LET ME WALK WITH YOU" PD**

***DISMISSAL**

A: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord! C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude Music

Offerings can be placed in the basket in the narthex on your way out.

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