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False Security is Crushed by Faithful Presence



SHINING MOUNTAINS LUTHERAN CHURCH Bozeman, MT

The Third Sunday in Lent — March 20th, 2022

# SERVICE OF WORD & SACRAMENT

The Service of Word and Sacrament is a version of the historic liturgy of the Christian church. It focuses worshippers on the Gospel found in Word and Sacrament.



# **INVOCATION**

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

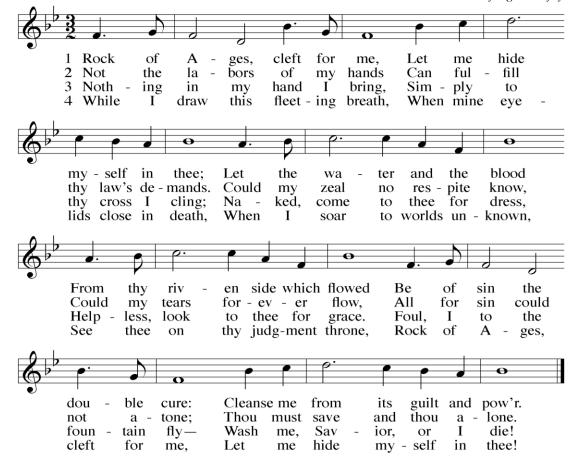
# CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- M: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.
- C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.
- M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

# LORD, HAVE MERCY

**Kyrie** 

- M: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- M: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.
- C: Christ, have mercy.
- M: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- M: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:
- C: Amen.



# PRAYER OF THE DAY

# M: Let us pray:

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# C: Amen.

# THE WORD

FIRST READING Exodus 3:1-15

Now Moses was tending the flock of Jethro his father-in-law, the priest of Midian, and he led the flock to the far side of the desert and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. <sup>2</sup>

There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in flames of fire from within a bush. Moses saw that though the bush was on fire it did not burn up. <sup>3</sup>So Moses thought, "I will go over and see this strange sight – why the bush does not burn up." 4 When the LORD saw that he had gone over to look, God called to him from within the bush, "Moses! Moses!" And Moses said, "Here I am." 5 "Do not come any closer," God said. "Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy ground." <sup>6</sup> Then he said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob." At this, Moses hid his face, because he was afraid to look at God. <sup>7</sup>The LORD said, "I have indeed seen the misery of my people in Egypt. I have heard them crying out because of their slave drivers, and I am concerned about their suffering. 8 So I have come down to rescue them from the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land into a good and spacious land, a land flowing with milk and honey – the home of the Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites. <sup>9</sup> And now the cry of the Israelites has reached me, and I have seen the way the Egyptians are oppressing them. <sup>10</sup> So now, go. I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people the Israelites out of Egypt." 11 But Moses said to God, "Who am I, that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" 12 And God said, "I will be with you. And this will be the sign to you that it is I who have sent you: When you have brought the people out of Egypt, you will worship God on this mountain." 13 Moses said to God, "Suppose I go to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' Then what shall I tell them?" 14 God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM. This is what you are to say to the Israelites: 'I AM has sent me to you.' " 15 God also said to Moses, "Say to the Israelites, 'The LORD, the God of your fathers – the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob – has sent me to you.' This is my name forever, the name by which I am to be remembered from generation to generation.

# **PSALM OF THE DAY**

Psalm 85





You showed favor to your <u>land</u>, O LORD;\* you restored the fortunes of <u>Ja</u>cob.

You forgave the iniquity of your <u>people\*</u> and covered all their sins.

Show us your unfailing <u>love</u>, O LORD,\* and grant us your sal<u>va</u>tion.

# Refrain

I will listen to what God the <u>LORD</u> will say;\* he promises peace to his people, his saints.

Surely his salvation is near those who <u>fear</u> him,\* that his glory may dwell <u>in</u> our land.

Love and faithfulness meet together;\* righteousness and peace kiss each other.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son\* and to the Holy <u>Spir</u>it, as it was in the beg<u>in</u>ning,\* is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain

### SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 10:1-13

For I do not want you to be ignorant of the fact, brothers, that our forefathers were all under the cloud and that they all passed through the sea. <sup>2</sup> They were all baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea. <sup>3</sup> They all ate the same spiritual food <sup>4</sup> and drank the same spiritual drink; for they drank from the spiritual rock that accompanied them, and that rock was Christ. 5 Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them; their bodies were scattered over the desert. 6 Now these things occurred as examples to keep us from setting our hearts on evil things as they did. <sup>7</sup>Do not be idolaters, as some of them were; as it is written: "The people sat down to eat and drink and got up to indulge in pagan revelry." 8 We should not commit sexual immorality, as some of them did – and in one day twenty-three thousand of them died. 9We should not test the Lord, as some of them did – and were killed by snakes. <sup>10</sup> And do not grumble, as some of them did – and were killed by the destroying angel. <sup>11</sup> These things happened to them as examples and were written down as warnings for us, on whom the fulfillment of the ages has come. 12 So, if you think you are standing firm, be careful that you don't fall! <sup>13</sup> No temptation has seized you except what is common to man. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can stand up under it.

VERSE OF THE DAY 2 Peter 3:9

M: He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.



SERMON Luke 13:1-9

Now there were some present at that time who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mixed with their sacrifices. <sup>2</sup> Jesus answered, "Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans because they suffered this way? <sup>3</sup> I tell you, no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish. <sup>4</sup> Or those eighteen who died when the tower in Siloam fell on them—do you think they were more guilty than all the others living in Jerusalem? <sup>5</sup> I tell you, no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish." <sup>6</sup> Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree, planted in his vineyard, and he went to look for fruit on it, but did not find any. <sup>7</sup> So he said to the man who took care of the vineyard, 'For three years now I've been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and haven't found any. Cut it down! Why should it use up the soil?' <sup>8</sup> "'Sir,' the man replied, 'leave it alone for one more year, and I'll dig around it and fertilize it. <sup>9</sup> If it bears fruit next year, fine! If not, then cut it down.'"

### NICENE CREED

C: 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 fully 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 in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian 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.

### **OFFERING**

Our offerings are an expression of thankfulness for what our Savior has done for us, & a way of supporting the spread of the gospel through the Church's work.

You can place your offering in the plate in the entry or give electronically by going to our secure giving site.



### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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.

# THE SACRAMENT

#### **PREFACE**

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

- M: Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift them up to the Lord.
- M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.
- M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He made his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world. Now have come that salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever.

# HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9

C: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts.

The whole earth is full of your glory.

You are my God, and I will exalt you.

I will give you thanks, for you have become my salvation.

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts.

The whole earth is full of your glory.

# **WORDS OF INSTITUTION** *Matthew* 26:26-28; 1 Corinthians 11:24,25

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

# O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

John 1:29

- C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
  - O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
  - O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us your peace. Amen.

### DISTRIBUTION

(The Bible tells us that in the Lord's Supper we receive the true body and blood of our Savior Jesus, together with the bread and wine, for the forgiveness of sins (Matt. 26:26-28). The Bible also warns against misusing or improperly receiving the sacrament (1 Cor. 10:16-21, 11:17-27) and commands each of us to examine ourselves before receiving the sacrament (1 Cor.11:28-29). Therefore, out of love for all involved, we ask that only those who have received instruction and publicly confessed unity with us come forward to receive the Sacrament. If you would like to know more please speak with Pastor Sonntag.)

#### THANKSGIVING

M: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

### **BLESSING**

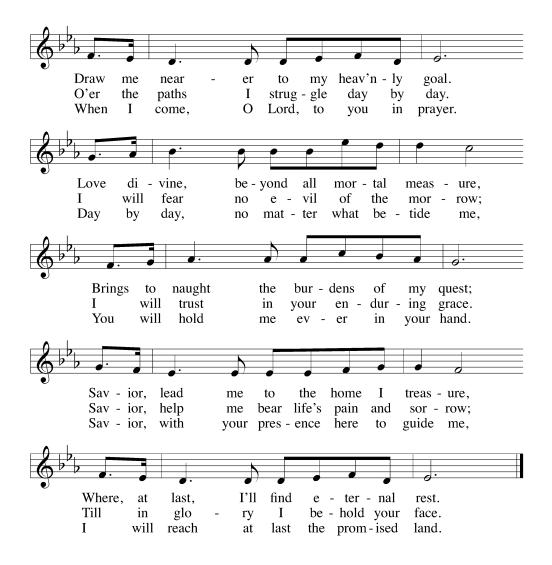
M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

C: Amen.





### UPCOMING DATES TO PUT ON YOUR CALENDAR

Mid-Week Lent Services - March 23rd, 30th + Apr. 6th

Easter for Kids - Saturday April 9th @ 10-11:45 AM

Maundy Thursday - April 14th @ 6:30 PM

Good Friday - April 15th @ 6:30 PM

Easter Sunday - April 17th Breakfast @ 9 AM Festival Worship @ 10:30 AM

# Mid-week Lenten Soup Supper & Services

We continue our Soup Supper @ 5:45 pm and Worship @ 6:30 pm on Wednesday. Paster Stern from St. Paul's in Livingston will be here to preach. We look forward to seeing you!

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Cleaners This Week (Mar. 20<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>) - Baker, Hunziker, Beall, Claunch Cleaners Next Week (Mar. 27<sup>th</sup> – Apr. 2<sup>nd</sup>) – Linn, Joecks, Jessen, Hutchinson

# This Week at Shining Mountains:

Today	8:30 am 9:40 am 10:30 am	Divine Worship with Communion Sunday School & Bible Class Divine Worship with Communion
Monday, Mar. 21st	9:00 am	Mommy's Basic Bible Christianity Class
Tuesday, Mar. 22 <sup>nd</sup>	9:00 am 10:00 am	Little Lambs Pastor's Circuit Mtg Livingston
Wednesday, Mar. 23 <sup>rd</sup>	12:00 pm 4:30 pm 5:45 pm 6:30 pm	Basic Bible Christianity Youth Catechism Class Soup Supper Mid-week Lenten Worship
Thursday, Mar. 24th	9:00 am 6:15 pm	Little Lambs Campus Ministry Meal & Bible Study
Sunday, Mar. 27 <sup>th</sup>	8:30 am 9:40 am 10:30 am	Divine Worship Sunday School & Adult Bible Class Divine Worship

# Special Mission Offering - Haiti

Our first quarter special mission offering for 2022 is **Branch Lutheran Schools in Haiti**. This WELS affiliated mission brings clean water, food, shelter to countless kids, many who are orphans. Most importantly, in a country where Voodoo is supreme, they share the life-giving good news of Jesus every day in classroom & church. In one of the poorest countries in the world, the LORD is doing amazing things with gifts small and large. For more info, grab a sheet in the entryway next to the *Special Mission Offering* basket.

# **Easter for Kids**

Easter for Kids is scheduled for Saturday, April 9th, from 10 – 11:45 AM. We will need help both before the event and on that day. Sign-up to help in the entryway on the bulletin board.

### Church Choir

We are hoping to have a choir to sing Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 AM for the Easter Service. We will be practicing starting today at 12 noon. We'd love to have you join us. Speak with Andy Becker if you are interested or have questions.