



We invite, encourage, educate and empower all people to follow
God and serve others.

3rd Sunday in Lent

March 20, 2022

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING OF THE BELL

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

*Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who forgives all our sin, whose
mercy endures forever. Amen.*

*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.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for self-reflection

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.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

OPENING HYMN *Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer* #618

**Guide me ever, great Redeemer,
pilgrim through this barren land.**

**I am weak, but you are mighty;
hold me with your pow'rful hand.**

**Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,
feed me now and evermore, feed me now and evermore.**

**Open now the crystal fountain
where the healing waters flow; let the fire and cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through.
Strong deliv'rer, strong deliv'rer,
shield me with your mighty arm,
shield me with your mighty arm.**

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

KYRIE *Holy Communion Setting Three* pg 138

CANTICLE OF PRAISE *This Is the Feast* pg 140

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God, in this time and place we gather to hear your word and respond to you with our lives.

**Teach us how to be those who “bear fruit” in your kingdom.
Grow faith in us and lead us in the way of faithful,
discipleship living. Help us to treasure each day as a gift and
use it to its fullness in Jesus’ name. Amen!**

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 55:1-9

Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.

Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food.

Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live.

I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.

Seek the LORD while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the LORD, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION*Return to the Lord*

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SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 13:1-9

At that very time there were some present who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. ²He asked them, “Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? ³No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. ⁴Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them—do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? ⁵No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did.”

⁶ Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. ⁷ So he said to the gardener, 'See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?' ⁸ He replied, 'Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. ⁹ If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.'"

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON *"Spiritual Integrity... Without Wasting Time"*

HYMN OF THE DAY *As the Deer Runs to the River* #331

**As the deer runs to the river,
parched and weary from the chase,
we have come from hurt and hurry,
thirsting for your healing grace.**

Jesus, source of living water, may we drink of you and live!

**"Come and drink," Isaiah summoned,
"all who for God's mercy plead!
God's forgiveness, like a fountain,
flows to satisfy your need."**

Jesus, source of living water, may we drink of you and live!

**Christ, we come from desert places,
deepest thirst unsatisfied.**

**Lead us to the waters flowing
from the cross on which you died.**

Jesus, source of living water, may we drink of you and live!

APOSTLES CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again;
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father,
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Merciful God, Receive our prayer.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, ... we praise your name and
join their unending hymn:*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE 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.**

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

OFFERING

BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN *I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say* #332

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto me and rest;
lay down, O weary one, lay down
your head upon my breast."

I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, worn, and sad;
I found in him a resting-place, and he has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold, I freely give
the living water, thirsty one;
stoop down and drink and live."

I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life-giving stream;
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
and now I live in him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's light;
look unto me, your morn shall rise,
and all your day be bright."

I looked to Jesus, and I found in him my star, my sun;
and in that light of life I'll walk till trav'ling days are done.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Jesus meets you on the way.

Thanks be to God.

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Lenten Bible Study - Spiritual Integrity

Mondays at 9:30 am in Pastor Deb's office and online
Zoom Meeting ID: 518 251 3825 Password: OSLHermosa
Join Pastor Deb as we dig deeper into our Spiritual Integrity theme each
week. No experience necessary. Bring your own Bibles.
The coffee pot will be on.

Symbols of Ash

Mid-Week Lenten Services

Thursday Evenings

Soup Meal @ 5:15pm Services @ 6:00pm

If you would like a Holden Evening Prayer Booklet sent to you, please let Josie know

This Week

Sunday, March 20th

9:30am Worship with Communion @ OSL and live online (FB and YouTube)

5:00pm Confirmation

6:30pm HS Youth Group

Monday, March 21st

9:30am Lenten Bible Study with Pastor Deb @ OSL and on Zoom
Zoom Meeting ID: 518 251 3825 Password: OSLHermosa

Tuesday, March 22nd

Pastor Deb working offsite

Wednesday March 23rd

5:30-7:00 DOG Night

Thursday, March 24th

Pastor Deb working offsite during the day

5:15pm Soup Dinner @ OSL

6:00pm Mid-Week Lenten Service @ OSL and live online (FB and YouTube)

Sunday, March 27th

9:30am Worship @ OSL and live online (FB and YouTube)

1:00 am Hermosa-Fairburn Food Bank Board Meeting

5:00pm Confirmation

6:30pm HS Youth Group



****Those who are grieving, including the family & friends of Ray Stoeckl**

****Those recovering from those who are ill or hospitalized, including Peg Tesch; Roger Spitzer (friend of Dar and Gwen Schroeder); Reece Ullerich (Friend of Linda Boll); Sara (Cousin of Toni Ramsey); Gary McKean (Nephew of Lane Pine); Ryan (Nephew of Shelley Martin); Helen Murphy (sister of Mikkey Twitero)**

****Those with on-going concerns, including Kimberly Heuer; Lynzee Makowski (Niece of Rebecca Kaiser); Esther Downen; Jason Boll (Son of Linda Boll); Rod Dikoff (Cousin of Roger); Shelly (Friend of Carla Oerter); Suzan Heidelberger; Chelle Schefcik; Michael and Jeffrey (Cousins of Donna Zuerlein)**

****For our military members and their families**

****For those who are homeless and those whose homes do not provide warmth and safety**

**** For the people of Ukraine, Russia and surrounding nations**

****For our leaders at every level**

****For our siblings in Christ, our friends and enemies, both near and far m**



Mission of the Month EASTERN EUROPE CRISIS RESPONSE

The Situation:

On Feb. 24, Russian forces invaded Ukraine, launching land, sea and air attacks. Russia has launched air strikes across the country, including on the capital of Kyiv and other major cities. Millions of civilians fleeing the violence are heading toward Ukraine's western districts and such neighboring countries as Poland, Moldova, Slovakia, Romania and Hungary. According to one report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, 3 million people are seeking refuge in neighboring countries including Hungary, Poland, Slovakia and Moldova and over 1 million people are displaced within Ukraine. There are major humanitarian concerns for both internally displaced people and refugees. Many of these Ukrainians fleeing their homes need shelter and such basic necessities as food, water and toiletries. Care for people also includes pastoral and psychological support to address the trauma they've endured.

Our Response:

Lutheran Disaster Response is accompanying our companions in Ukraine, Hungary, Poland and Slovakia, as well as such ecumenical partners as Lutheran World Federation and Church World Service, in their humanitarian responses to the crisis. These partners provide refugees with immediate support and supplies such as food, blankets, water and hygiene kits.

Your gifts designated for "Eastern Europe Crisis Response" will be used entirely (100%) to provide support for people impacted by conflict in the region. This is possible because Lutheran Disaster Response is one of the ministries of the ELCA and administrative costs are covered by the gifts we give to the SD Synod some of which are given to ELCA Churchwide to support our church ministries such as LDR. *Financial donations can be mailed or dropped off at the church, placed in the Globe Offering during worship or given electronically. There is a Mission of the Month option in the dropdown section on Tith-ly.*