



PRELUDE

“My Song is Love Unknown” sttg. by Dale Wood, organ

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

Amen.

Let us return to God, confessing our sin in the assurance of God’s abiding love.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Compassionate One,
**you are slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love,
but our lives do not always reflect you
and your love for the world.**

**We do not show others the tender compassion
you have shown to us.**

**We do not welcome others with the radical hospitality
you grant to all people.**

**We oppress others,
even though you have set us free again and again.**

We squander the abundant gifts of the earth.

**Transform our lives
and guide us again in the way of the cross.**

Amen.

Beloved in Christ,
God’s arms are always stretched open wide
to welcome the wandering ones home.

In ✝ Christ your sins are forgiven.

You have a place in God’s house forever.

Amen.

HYMN

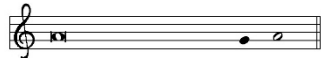
- 1 Thy holy wings, O Savior,
spread gently over me,
and let me rest securely
through good and ill in thee.
Oh, be my strength and portion,
my rock and hiding place,
and let my ev'ry moment
be lived within thy grace.
- 2 Oh, let me nestle near thee,
within thy downy breast
where I will find sweet comfort
and peace within thy nest.

“Thy Holy Wings”

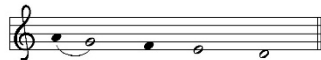
- Oh, close thy wings around me
and keep me safely there,
for I am but a newborn
and need thy tender care.
- 3 Oh, wash me in the waters
of Noah's cleansing flood.
Give me a willing spirit,
a heart both clean and good.
Oh, take into thy keeping
thy children great and small,
and while we sweetly slumber,
enfold us one and all.

GREETING

KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



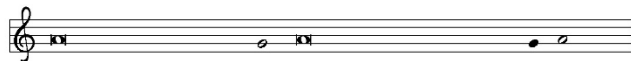
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



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



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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

SONG

“Be Bold, Be Strong”, KOTK

SCRIPTURE

Philippians 3:17-4:1

YOUTH MESSAGE

LENTEN VERSE



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and mer - ci - ful,



slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

SCRIPTURE

The holy gospel according to St. Luke, the 13th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Luke 13:31-35

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Brian Halverson

SERMON SONG

1 The God of Abr'ham praise,
who reigns enthroned above;
Ancient of everlasting days,
and God of love--
"I Am the One I Am"--
by earth and heav'n confessed;
I bow and bless the sacred name
forever blest.

2 The God of Abr'ham praise!
At your supreme command
from earth I rise and seek the joys
at your right hand.
I all on earth forsake--
its wisdom, fame, and pow'r--
and you my only portion make,
my shield and tow'r.

“The God of Abraham Praise”

3 The God of Abr'ham praise!
Your all-sufficient grace
shall guide me all my pilgrim days
in all my ways.
You deign to call me friend;
you call yourself my God!
And you will save me to the end
through Jesus' blood.

4 Your promise you have sworn;
I on your oath depend.
I shall, on eagle wings upborne,
to heav'n ascend.
I shall behold your face;
I shall your pow'r adore,
and sing the wonders of your grace
forevermore.

APOSTLES' CREED

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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 INTERCESSION

God, in your mercy,
receive our prayer.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

“Take It to the Lord in Prayer” arr. by Sandra Eithun, handbells

Offering is an act of worship – giving back to God in response to the blessings, grace, and love received.

Offering may be given by:

- *Going to our website makedisciples.com and clicking on “Ways to Give”*
- *Scanning this QR code.*
- *Texting to Give to 844-605-2105*
- *Mailing to St. John’s Lutheran, 20275 Davidson Road, Brookfield, WI 53045*



OFFERTORY

Lord, let my heart be good soil,
open to the seed of your word.
Lord, let my heart be good soil,
where love can grow and peace is understood.
When my heart is hard,
break the stone away.

“Lord, Let My Heart be Good Soil”

When my heart is cold,
warm it with the day.
When my heart is lost,
lead me on your way.
Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart,
Lord, let my heart be good soil.

OFFERING PRAYER

HOLY COMMUNION

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

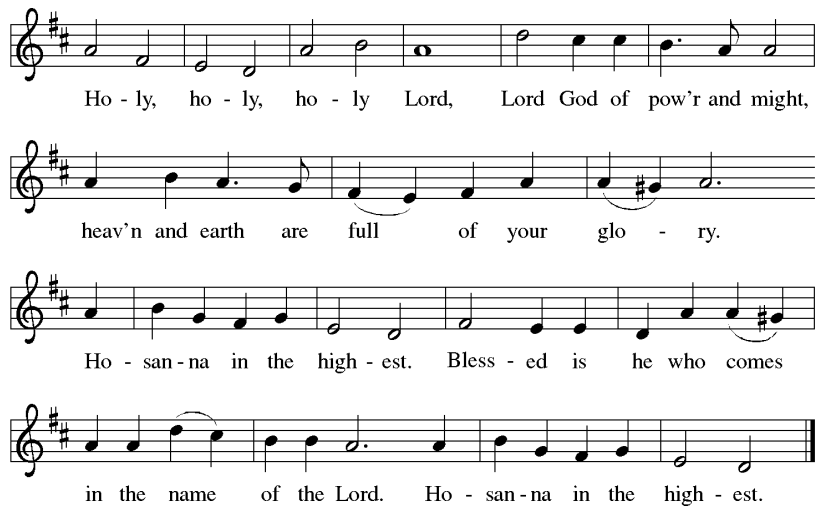
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy, Holy



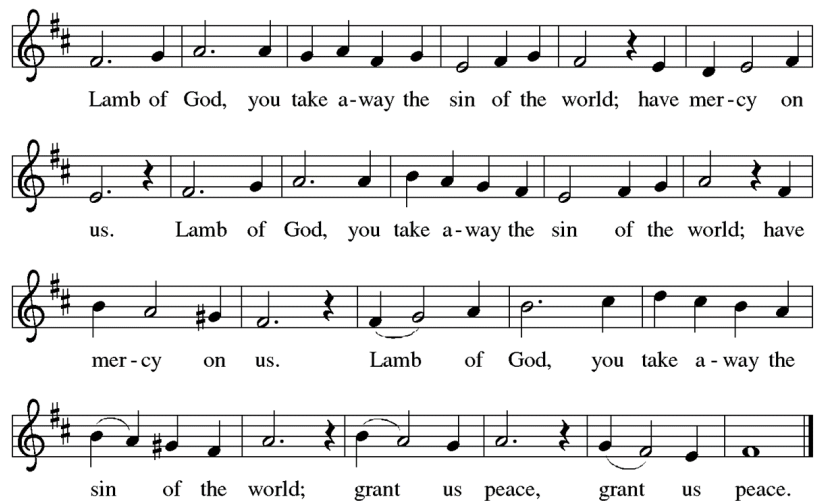
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san-na in the high - est.

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.

Lamb of God



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Distribution

*Please self-serve your communion.
Whatever you have to represent the bread and wine is acceptable.*

COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS (See last page)

BENEDICTION

SENDING SONG

- 1 Eternal Lord of love, behold your church
walking once more the pilgrim way of Lent,
led by your cloud by day, by night your fire,
moved by your love and toward your presence
bent:
far off yet here—the goal of all desire.
- 2 So daily dying to the way of self,
so daily living to your way of love,
we walk the road, Lord Jesus, that you trod,

DISMISSAL.

Go in peace. Following Jesus, making disciples, serving the world.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

“The Glory of These Forty Days” sttg. by Robert J. Powell, organ

“Eternal Lord of Love, Behold Your Church”

- knowing ourselves baptized into your death:
so we are dead and live with you in God.
- 3 If dead in you, so in you we arise,
you the firstborn of all the faithful dead;
and as through stony ground the green shoots
break,
glorious in springtime dress of leaf and flow'r,
so into life and glory shall we wake.

Announcements

Altar Flowers

Today's altar flowers given by Chris and Pam Klink in honor of their 34th wedding anniversary..

Please use the sign ups on the website to sponsor altar flowers to honor a loved one or to celebrate an event.

On the Calendar

- Mar 19 Lenten Meal (5:45p)
- Lenten Worship (6:30p)
- Mar 30 Endowment window opens

March Outreach Focus

For his confirmation service project, Ethan Zach is organizing our March collection of hygiene items for the Hope Center. All hygiene items are appreciated, but the most needed items are:

- ✓ shaving cream
- ✓ razors
- ✓ deodorant
- ✓ shampoo and body wash (travel size).

Another Endowment Window to Open

In February, our Endowment Committee awarded \$20,050 in grants to various ministries! There is more money to give so another application window is opening from March 30 to April 13. Application forms are available online under Resources- Documents and Forms and on the bulletin board.



Sign Up for Potato Bar on March 26



The congregation is supplying the Lenten meal on Wednesday, March 26. It will be a Potato Bar with all the fixings! Sign up online to bring a topping or two.

Use Your Senses to Journey Through Lent

We will gather for worship on Wednesdays in Lent at 6:30 p.m. March 12 and April 9 will use the Holden Evening Prayer liturgy. March 19 to April 2 will use the Joyous Light liturgy. Pastor Brian will lead us in worship focusing on the five senses.

Join us before worship to share fellowship over a meal, beginning at 5:45 p.m.



Senses of Lent

-  March 12 - Smell
-  March 19 - Touch
-  March 26 - Sight
-  April 2 - Sound
-  April 9 - Taste

Journey through Lent with your senses

5:45 p.m. meal
6:30 p.m. worship

Travel to El Salvador with Joanna

Join Joanna and others for a trip to our sister church in El Salvador, Los Héroes. You do NOT need to speak Spanish to go on this trip. The delegation will travel July 7-14. Cost of the trip is about \$800 plus airfare.



Travel to El Salvador
to visit our sister church

July 7-14, 2025

Join others from St. John's.
See Becky for information.

Email linda.muth@gmail.com for an application.



BUILD VBS

AUGUST 4-7, 2025
9AM - 12PM
ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, BROOKFIELD



6:00 AM
8:30 AM
10:45 AM

Easter

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