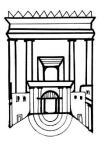
3rd Sunday of Lent March 3, 2024 All Saints Lutheran Church, Albuquerque Worship with Holy Communion 10:00 a.m.



Prelude Solace ~ Scott Joplin

Welcome & Announcements

Land Acknowledgement

We, the congregation of All Saints Lutheran Church, acknowledge and honor the Tiwa (tee-wa) and Piro (pir-oh) peoples upon whose ancestral homelands we gather for worship this morning. We honor all our Indigenous siblings in New Mexico, who have and continue to care for this place and call it their home.

Confession & Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, \oplus one God, who writes the law on our hearts, who draws all people together through Jesus.

Amen.

Held in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Holy God,

we confess that we are caught in snares of sin and cannot break free.

We hoard resources while our neighbors are hungry and cold.

We speak in ways that silence others.

We are silent when we should speak up.

We keep score in our hearts.

We let hurts grow into hatred.

For all these things and for sins only you know,

forgive us, Lord. Amen.

Here is a flood of grace:
Out of love for the whole world,
God draws near to us,
breaks every snare of sin,
washes away our wrongs,
and restores the promise of life through + Jesus Christ.
Amen.

Gathering Hymn By Grace We Have Been Saved ~ ACS 1006

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 Thy Word ~ Worship and Praise #144

Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you

And also with you

Holy God, through your Son you have called us to live faithfully and act courageously. Keep us steadfast in your covenant of grace, and teach us the wisdom that comes only through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Reading 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

The word of the cross is pure foolishness and nonsense to the world because it claims that God is mostly revealed in weakness, humiliation, and death. But through such divine foolishness and weakness, God is working to save us. The center of Paul's preaching is Christ crucified.

"I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,

and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart."

²⁰Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. ²²For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, ²³but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, ²⁴but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Word of God. Word of life.

Thanks be to God

<u>Psalm</u> The Heavens Tell of Your Creative Glory ~ Bjorlin and Vivares (Grace Notes)

¹⁸The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹For it is written,

Gospel Reading John 2:13-22

Jesus attacks the commercialization of religion by driving merchants out of the temple. When challenged, he responds mysteriously, with the first prediction of his own death and resurrection. In the midst of a seemingly stable religious center, Jesus suggests that the center itself has changed.



The Holy Gospel according to John

Glory to you O Lord

¹³The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. ¹⁴In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. ¹⁵Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. ¹⁶He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" ¹⁷His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." ¹⁸The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" ¹⁹Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." ²⁰The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" ²¹But he was speaking of the temple of his body. ²²After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

Sermon

Hymn Of the Day Song Over the Waters ~ W&P #127 (vs. 1-3)

Creed

I believe in God, eternal, almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, the Redeemer of all, the Only Begotten One; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, lived and loved among us, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried, who descended into hell, and on the third day rose from the dead.

Jesus, our Savior, ascended into heaven, sits at the right hand of the loving God, and 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 dead, and life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Each petition ends with the words, Hear us, O God and the congregation responds, your mercy is great.

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always And also with you

Musical Offering Act Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly ~ Barrett, Ingram, &

Tomlin (Grace Notes)



Offertory Song

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As we live, may we forgive, gratefully each day. And for peace, for love to increase, Holy Spirit, we pray.

Offertory Prayer

Jesus, you are the bread of life and the host of this meal. Bless these gifts that we have gathered that all people may know your goodness. Feed us not only with this holy food but with hunger for justice and peace. We pray this in your name. Amen.

The 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, holy



It is indeed right ... and join their unending hymn Blessed are you, O God of the universe...

... Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

O God of resurrection and new life:

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine.

Bless this feast.

Grace our table with your presence.

Come, Holy Spirit.

With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Lord, remember us in your love and teach us to pray

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us in the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

Holy Communion

You are beloved of God, and this meal is for you. Come forward to the altar rail and stand or kneel to receive communion. The bread is gluten-free and there is wine or grape juice. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, you may come forward and cross your arms over your chest.

Communion Hymn

Here's My Heart	
Refrai	n
	Here's my heart Lord
	Here's my heart Lord
	Here's my heart Lord
	Speak what is true
Verse 1	
	'Cause I am found I am Yours
	I am loved I'm made pure
	I have life I can breathe
	I am healed I am free

Verse 2

'Cause You are strong You are sure

You are life You endure

You are good always true

You are light breaking through

Refrain

Here's my heart Lord

Here's my heart Lord

Here's my heart Lord

Speak what is true

Here's my life Lord

Here's my life Lord

Here's my life Lord

Speak what is true

Bridge

You are more than enough

You are here You are love

You are hope You are grace

You're all I have You're everything

Blessing After Communion

Prayer

Generous God, at this table we have tasted your immeasurable grace. As grains of wheat are gathered into one bread, now make us one loaf to feed the world; in the name of Jesus, the Bread of life. **Amen.**

Blessing

Beloved, we are God's own people,

holy, washed, renewed.

God bless you and keep you,

shower you with mercy,

fill you with courage, and \pm give you peace.

Amen.

Sending Hymn That Christ Be Known ~ W&P #133

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve God

Thanks be to God

Postlude Heliotrope Bouquet ~ Scott Joplin