# Welcome to Worship Lent 4

## March 10th, 2024

<u>Prelude</u> TBD

**Gathering Hymn** Christ is the Life ~ ACS 927

### **Prayer of the Day**

O loving God, to turn away from you is to fall, to turn toward you is to rise, and to stand before you is to abide forever. Grant us, dear God, in all our duties your help; in all our uncertainties your guidance; in all our dangers your protection; and in all our sorrows your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## First Reading Ephesians 2:1-10

While we were dead in our sinfulness, God acted to make us alive as a gift of grace in Christ Jesus. We are saved not by what we do but by grace through faith. Thus our good works are really a reflection of God's grace at work in our lives.

Word of God. Word of life

Thanks be to God



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#### Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22

Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good, for God's mercy en- dures forever.

Let the redeemed of the LORD proclaim

that God redeemed them from the hand | of the foe,

gathering them in | from the lands;

from the east and from the west, from the north and | from the south.

Some were fools and took re- | bellious paths;

through their sins they | were afflicted.

Then in their trouble they cried | to the LORD and you delivered them from | their distress.

You sent forth your | word and healed them and rescued them | from the grave.

Let them give thanks to you, LORD, for your | steadfast love and your wonderful works | for all people.

Let them offer sacrifices | of thanksgiving and tell of your deeds with | shouts of joy.

### Gospel John 3:14-21

[Jesus said:] "Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

"Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God."

<u>Hymn of the Day</u> God Loved the World ~ ELW 323

Musical Offering Of the Father's Love Begotten ~ Jason W. Krug Hallelujah Ringers

Offertory Hymn Now is the Time of Grace ~ ACS 918 (refrain 2x)

**Communion Hymn** Amazing Grace ~ ELW 779

Sending Hymn O Love, How Deep ~ ELW 322 (vs. 1, 3-4, 7

Postlude TBD