



Third Sunday in Lent  
*Water*

# St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church | *Jordan, Minnesota*

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*March 8, 2026*

## **WELCOME TO WORSHIP**

Welcome and thank you for joining us for worship today! In our service we gather before our almighty and saving God to offer him our worship and praise. We also assemble to hear God's holy and powerful word and celebrate his life-giving sacraments. Through these means, God strengthens our faith and walks us ever closer to our eternal home with him.

## **TODAY'S THEME**

I recognize my deep spiritual thirst. I long for a good relationship with God and for everlasting life. I am tempted to satisfy that deep thirst with worldly things, a strategy doomed to failure. I realize that my thirst is satisfied only by the one who said, "Whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst." Jesus meets my greatest need.

**Pastor**.....Jeremy Glowicki

**Accompanist**.....Lois Zander

*Stand*

In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

## **Confession**

CW 172

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just**

**and will forgive us our sins**

**and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**Holy God, gracious Father,**

**I am sinful by nature**

**and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.**

**I have not loved you with my whole heart;**

**I have not loved others as I should.**

**I deserve your punishment both now and forever.**

**But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins**

**with his innocent suffering and death.**

**Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

*Silence for meditation and reflection*

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. 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.

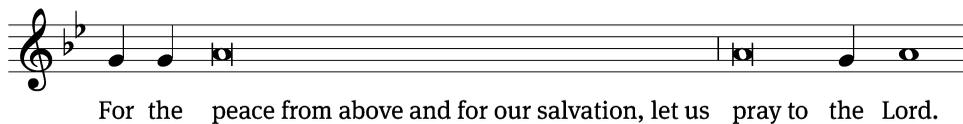
**Amen.**

# Lord, Have Mercy

CW 174



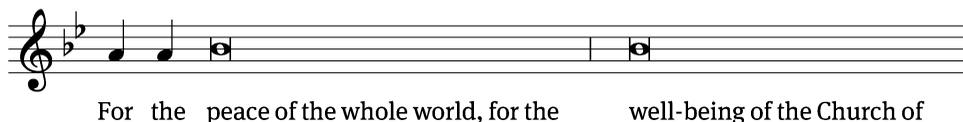
In peace let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



**Lord, have mer - cy.**



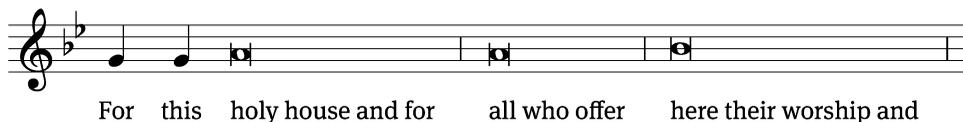
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of



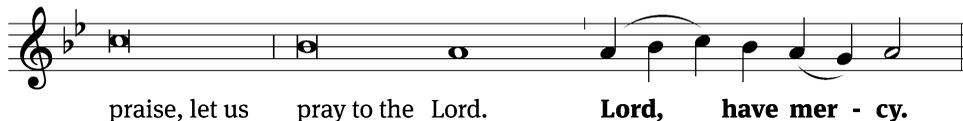
God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



**Lord, have mer - cy.**



For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and



praise, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

Help, save, com - fort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.

**A - men.**

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## The Word

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

## Prayer of the Day

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.

**Amen.**

*Be seated*

## First Reading

Exodus 17:1–7

*In his grace, God gives undeserving people water from a stone.*

The entire Israelite community set out on their journey from the Wilderness of Sin as the LORD had commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. So the people quarreled with Moses and said, “Give us water to drink.” Moses said to them, “Why are you quarreling with me? Why are you testing the LORD?” But the people were thirsty for water there, so they grumbled against Moses. They said, “Why did you ever bring us up out of Egypt to let us, our children, and our livestock die of thirst?” Moses cried out to the LORD, “What shall I do with these people? They are almost ready to stone me!” The LORD said to Moses, “Go in front of the people, and take the elders of Israel with you. Also take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. Watch me. I will stand there in front of you on the rock in Horeb. You are to strike the rock. Water will come out of it, and the people will drink.” Moses did that in the sight of the elders of Israel. He named the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled, and because they tested the LORD by saying, “Is the LORD among us or not?”

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## 95A The Rock of Our Salvation

Psalm 95A

## Second Reading

Romans 5:1–8

*God's love is poured into my heart like living water.*

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we also have obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand. And we rejoice confidently on the basis of our hope for the glory of God. Not only this, but we also rejoice confidently in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces patient endurance, and patient endurance produces tested character, and tested character produces hope. And hope will not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, who was given to us. For at the appointed time, while we

were still helpless, Christ died for the ungodly. It is rare indeed that someone will die for a righteous person. Perhaps someone might actually go so far as to die for a person who has been good to him. But God shows his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

## Gospel Acclamation

*John 4:13,14*



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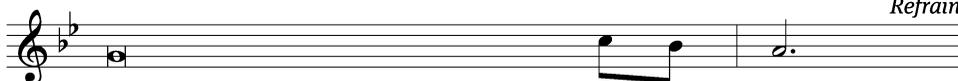


Praise to you, Lord Je - sus Christ, king of end - less glo - ry.

*Tone*



Jesus answered, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirst - y a - gain,



but whoever drinks the water I give them will nev - er thirst."

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*Jesus calls a Samaritan woman to faith, providing living water for her thirsty soul.*

So he came to a town in Samaria called Sychar, near the piece of land Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there. Then Jesus, being tired from the journey, sat down by the well. It was about the sixth hour. A woman from Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (His disciples had gone into town to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a Samaritan woman?" (For Jews do not associate with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." "Sir," she said, "you don't even have a bucket, and the well is deep. So where do you get this living water? You are not greater than our father Jacob, are you? He gave us this well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his animals." Jesus answered her, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water I will give him will never be thirsty ever again. Rather, the water I will give him will become in him a spring of water, bubbling up to eternal life." "Sir, give me this water," the woman said to him, "so I won't get thirsty and have to keep coming here to draw water." Jesus told her, "Go, call your husband, and come back here." "I have no husband," the woman answered. Jesus said to her, "You are right when you say, 'I have no husband.' In fact, you have had five husbands, and the man you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true." "Sir," the woman replied, "I see that you are a prophet. Our fathers worshipped on this mountain, but you Jews insist that the place where we must worship is in Jerusalem." Jesus said to her, "Believe me, woman, a time is coming when you will not worship the Father on this mountain or in Jerusalem. You Samaritans worship what you do not know. We worship what we do know, because salvation is from the Jews. But a time is coming and now is here when the real worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and in truth, for those are the kind of worshippers the Father seeks. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and in truth." The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (the one called Christ). "When he comes, he will explain everything to us." Jesus said to her, "I, the one speaking to you, am he."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to you, O Christ!**

*Be seated*

## Sermon

*Stand*

## Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell.**

**The third day he rose again from the dead.**

**He ascended into heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.**

**From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*Be seated*

## Prayer of the Church

### Offering

During the offering, please fill out the Friendship Register in the pew and pass it down to those sitting next to you.

### 874 Preserve Your Word, O Savior

CW 874

*Stand*

Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

### 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.

## Blessing

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.

**Amen.**

## 839 Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

CW 839

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## *News & Notes*

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### **Radio Broadcast**

The radio broadcast is sponsored by the members of St. Paul Lutheran Church. Thank you!

### **Usher Schedules**

There is an updated usher schedule available near the Fellowship Hall. You can also find the updated schedule on our website under the “Member Info” tab.

### **Council Meeting**

The next Council Meeting is Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm.

### **Silent Auction**

The Woven silent auction is underway in the Fellowship Hall. Check out the items for bid there and bid using your envelope number. The auction will remain open until Easter Sunday.

### **Vanco Mobile**

If you need assistance with your Vanco mobile account, or if you do not have the app and would like assistance setting it up, please contact the office at [office.spljordan@gmail.com](mailto:office.spljordan@gmail.com) or by calling (952) 492-6303.

### **Branches of the Vine Bible Reading Program**

91 Books of the Bible read! If you haven't started or got away from reading, get back in! If you need a guide there are more sheets on the counter. Keep up the good work!

### **Sunday, March 22 --Resurrection Celebration -10:15-11:15 AM**

All kids PreK-high school: plan to join in this multi-age Easter celebration. Big 'kids' will pair with a younger buddy to bake, read, and create all while learning the true hope of our salvation.

### **Wednesday, March 25th-Roots will be hosting the supper-Pie Night.**

Come grab a slice of Pie (pizza) and then finish it off with more Pie (actual). Roots families and any other congregation members that are willing to show off their Pie Baking skills please feel free to sign up in the binder on the counter.

### **Easter Breakfast: 7:30am**

**Easter Egg Hunt: Easter Sunday at 8:30am sharp!**



Co-Hosted by St. John/St. Clair  
**Coffee & Registration: 8 - 9 am**  
 Program: 9 am - 12:15 pm

MN Valley Circuit **SPRING RALLY**

**April 11**

Emmanuel Ev. Lutheran Church  
 750 Jeffrey Street  
**OWATONNA, MN**

**“THE WAY, THE TRUTH  
 AND THE LIFE.”**

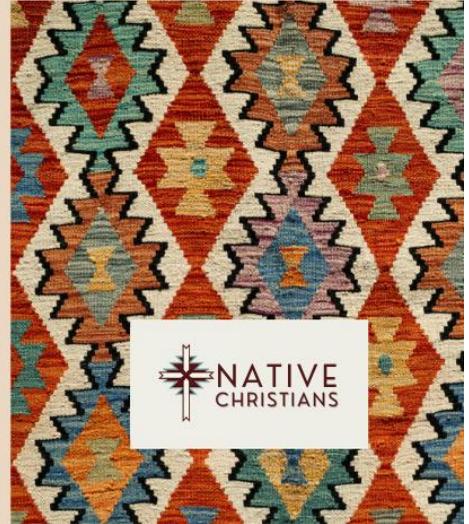


John 14:6

Guest Speaker  
**Pastor John Holtz,**  
**Native Christians**  
**Counselor East Fork, AZ**

Pastor Holtz leads the Discipleship arm of the Native Christians Network and trains Apache WELS members for service and outreach through the Apache Christian Training School (ACTS).

**Lunch to follow. No RSVP required.**



**LWMS Spring Rally**

Come see what a Lutheran Women’s Missionary Society district rally is all about, open to all ladies of St. Paul Lutheran Church. We are hosting the Fall Rally in October. If you have questions, please ask Amy Radick.

**Directory Photos**

We are updating our directory photos this April. Karissa Firle is taking the pictures. Sign up for your sitting which takes about 10-15 minutes. The sitting includes a family photo and individual photos for use in our print and digital directory. An online sign up will be available through our website at [spljordan.com](http://spljordan.com) under the “Member Info” tab or the qr code. There are 4 dates from which to choose.



## Fellowship Sunday

This Sunday is Fellowship Sunday! Join everyone in the Fellowship Hall following worship for treats and good conversation before bible study. Thank-you Gene and Cheryl Martin for hosting this month. There are many open dates on the schedule. Sign up to host today!

<b>HOLY WEEK</b> — SCHEDULE —			
			
<b>PALM SUNDAY</b>	<b>HOLY THURSDAY</b>	<b>GOOD FRIDAY</b>	<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b>
<b>Worship</b> 9 <sup>am</sup>	<b>Worship</b> 7 <sup>pm</sup> Holy Communion Stripping of the Altar	<b>Worship</b> 7 <sup>pm</sup>	<b>Worship</b> 6:30 <sup>am</sup> Easter Breakfast 9 <sup>am</sup>

# MARCH 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Worship 9 am Communion Bible Study/ Sunday School 10:15 am	2 7:45 Choir	3 Committee Meeting Night 6:30 pm	4 5 pm Soup Supper 5:30 Founda- tions 6:30 Worship	5 Senior Fellowship 10 am	6	7
8 Worship 9 am <b>Fellowship Sunday</b> Bible Study/ Sunday School 10:15 am	9 7:45 Choir	10 Council Meet- ing 6:30 pm	11 5 pm Soup Supper 5:30 Founda- tions 6:30 Worship	12	13	14
15 Worship 9 am Communion Bible Study/ Sunday School 10:15 am	16 7:45 Choir	17 Oak Terrace 9:45 Reflections Bible Study for Women 7 pm	18 5 pm Soup Supper 5:30 Founda- tions 6:30 Worship	19 Theology on Tap 6:30 Mana Brewing	20	21
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## SERVING THE LORD

		Acolytes	Ushers	Media Booth	Organist
3/8	9 am	Carson Kalal	4	Cooper Kalal	Lois Zander
3/11	6:30 pm	(Need Volunteer)	1	(Need Volunteer)	Lois Zander
3/15	9 am	Greta Newton	2	Izzy Kalal	Noah Helke

March Altar Guild	March Cleaners
Donna Breeggemann/Janet Robling	-
March Counters	Service Group 1 Leader
Norma Bendzick/Connie Jobs	Need Volunteer
April Altar Guild	
Rachel Carlstrom/Karen Firlle/Mary Zeman	

Attendance	
Sunday	80
Midweek Lent	53
<b>Total</b>	<b>133</b>

Gifts To Our Lord		
	Received	Needed
Current	\$3251	\$3834
Online Giving	\$1546	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4797</b>	<b>\$3834</b>



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