

4th Sunday of Lent
Following Christ, the Lamb of God
March 15, 2026

GATHERING

Welcome

please rise

Holy, Holy, Holy, LSB 507

Only a Holy God, City Alight

P: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit:

C: Amen.

Call to Repentance

From the Story of God, the Prophet Isaiah:

P: Surely He has borne our griefs
and carried our sorrows;
yet we esteemed Him stricken,
smitten by God, and afflicted.

All we like sheep have gone astray;
we have turned—every one—to his own way;
and the Lord has laid on Him
the iniquity of us all.

Silence for prayer and reflection

Confession of Sins

Create in Me a Clean Heart LSB p. 192-3, music, words
Psalm 51:10-12

P: On Christ was the chastisement that brought us peace.
With his wounds we are healed. In the mercy of almighty
God, Jesus Christ was given to die for each of us, and for
his sake God forgives us all our sins.

As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His
authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name
of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

I Trust in the Steadfast Love, music, lyrics in our
archives

*Men sing melody (lower notes) alone first time, women
join with the descant (higher notes), second and third
times.*

congregation may be seated

WORD

Isaiah 42:14-21

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Ephesians 5:8-14

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

please rise

Lenten Acclamation

Listen, God is Calling, LSB 833

L: The Good News according to St. John

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

John 9:1-7, 13-17, 34-39

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

congregation may be seated

Young Time Lesson

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness, LSB 849

Sermon

EUCCHARISTEO: THANKSGIVING

please rise

Affirmation of Faith

"I Bind Unto Myself Today", text from LSB 604
traditionally ascribed to St. Patrick (372-466), missionary to Ireland and a champion of Trinitarian faith.

P: I bind unto myself today the strong name of the Trinity,

C: By invocation of the same, the Three in One, and One in Three.

**I bind this day to me forever by power of faith
Christ's incarnation,
His baptism in the Jordan river, his death on the
cross for my salvation;
His bursting from the spiced tomb, his riding up the
heavenly way,
His coming at the day of doom I bind unto myself
today.**

**I bind unto myself today the power of God to hold
and lead,
His eye to watch, his might to stay, his ear to
harken to my need,
The wisdom of my God to teach, his hand to guide,
his shield to ward,
The Word of God to give me speech, his heavenly
host to be my guard.**

***Christ be with me, Christ within me,
Christ behind me, Christ before me,
Christ beside me, Christ to win me;
Christ to comfort and restore me;
Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
Christ in quiet, Christ in danger,
Christ in hearts of all that love me,
Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.***

**I bind unto myself the name, the strong name of
the Trinity,
By invocation of the same, the Three in One, and
One in Three,
Of whom all nature hath creation, eternal Father,
Spirit, Word;
Praise to the God of my salvation, salvation is of
Christ the Lord!**

congregation may be seated

Offering

Prayers for the People

P: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

The Service of the Sacrament

please rise

Preface - with two flat signs

Proper Preface

Sanctus - Schubert Mass

The Words of Our Lord

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Lord, remember us in your Kingdom and teach us to pray:

**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.**

Pax Domini

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

Congregation may be seated

O Bread of Life from Heaven, green LBW 222

At the Cross, SongSelect

Amazing Grace, LSB 744

SENDING

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

P: Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love
on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come
within the reach of your saving embrace: so clothe us in
your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may
bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and
love of you; for the honor of your Name.

C: Amen.

Be Thou My Vision, A. Borecki arrangement

Benediction