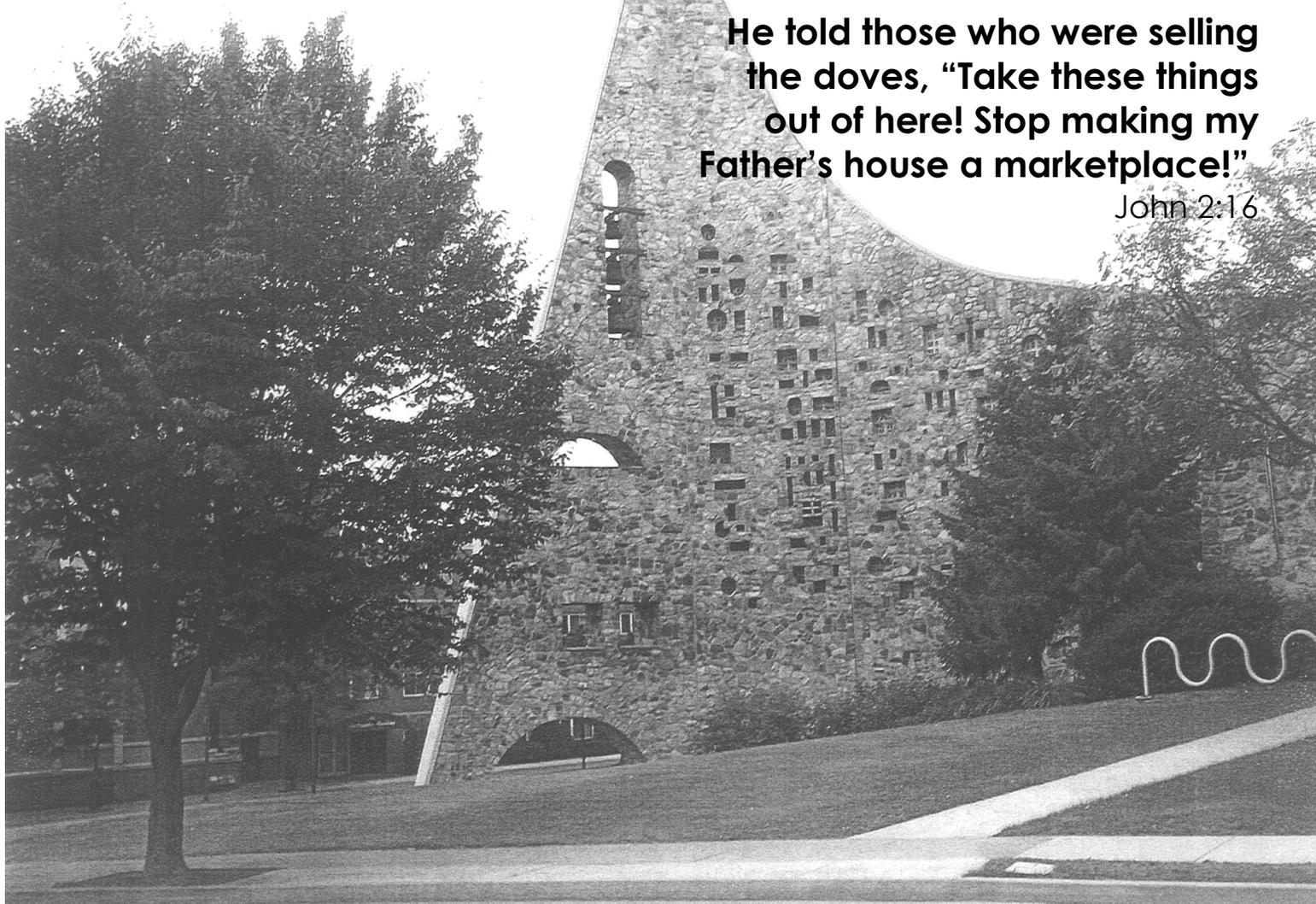


Welcome to **GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH**

A congregation of the ELCA

He told those who were selling
the doves, "Take these things
out of here! Stop making my
Father's house a marketplace!"

John 2:16



SUNDAY, MARCH 4, 2018
Third Sunday in Lent

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9:00 and 10:30 a.m. worship service

Today's Hymns

#ELW 339

#ELW 663

#ELW 705

Distribution

#ELW 335

#ELW 608

#ELW 785



Our Mission Statement: "Grace Lutheran Church is energized by the Holy Spirit and nurtured through God's Word and Sacrament to **gather, feed, and send** people in the name of Jesus Christ."

ABOUT TODAY'S THEME...The third covenant in this year's Lenten readings is the central one of Israel's history: the gift of the law to those God freed from slavery. The ten commandments are one of the chief parts of Luther's catechism, a core piece of baptismal instruction. They begin with the statement that because God alone has freed us from the powers that oppressed us, we are to let nothing else claim first place in our lives. When Jesus throws the merchants out of the temple, he is defending the worship of God alone and rejecting the ways commerce and profit-making can become our gods.

A WORD ON THE READINGS...**The First Lesson:** After escaping from slavery, the Israelites come to Mount Sinai, where God teaches them how to live in community. The ten commandments proclaim that God alone is worthy of worship. Flowing from God, the life of the community flourishes when based on honesty, trust, fidelity, and respect for life, family, and property. **The Second Lesson** 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. **The Gospel Lesson:** 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.

Join the 'Grace Group' for dinner at



Tuesday, March 6th

Home D will donate 10% of all food sales between 5-9 pm to
Interfaith Human Services.

Our group will sit at one long table again this year BUT the server will take orders from each family unit as they arrive and the food will come out for each family as it's ready.

Come at 5:00 or 6:15. Janet Lybarger will help you get seated.

Sign up on the Social Ministry & Outreach bulletin board, call her at 814-308-8629,
or email her at jlpayne19@comcast.net.

6:30 PM MID-WEEK WORSHIP—WHAT IS THAT ABOUT?

We are a younger congregation and are trying ideas to meet the needs of our changing church. 7:30 pm is too late for many of our young families that we'd like to see in worship. That's why the 6:30 pm time. The service will be one for all people. A regular sermon, Holy Communion and it will also include a children's message and some other interactive things (prayers, hymn) that make it more conducive for children to feel included. Thus far our services have been well received.

↑ = Please stand as you
are able

↓ = Please be seated

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All are welcome to
our weekly "coffee
hour" in Harkins Hall
following the 9 AM
service!

Welcome to Grace Lutheran Church - State College, Pennsylvania

PRELUDE *Slane*.....Ashdown

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

↑ Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Congregation: Amen.

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the aid of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

↓ *Kneel/Sit*

P: Most merciful God,

C: We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, your only Son our Lord. Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

GATHER

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

↑ PROCESSIONAL HYMN *Christ, the Life of All the Living*.....ELW #339

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

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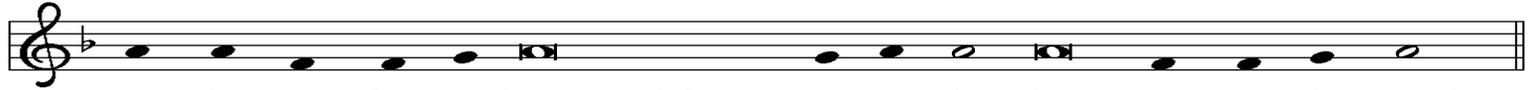
(ELW pgs. 156 & 157)



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - va - tion, 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 ho - ly house, and for all who of - fer 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

P: Let us pray.

C: 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.

FEED

*God speaks to us in scripture reading,
and feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

↓ (10:30) CHILDREN’S MESSAGE.....Peter Horn
We welcome everyone to worship and encourage children of all ages to participate fully in our service. Qualified nursery care is available as needed. The nursery is located in room 202.

(10:30) ADULT CHOIR ANTHEM *Thanks Be To Thee*.....G.F. Handel/arr. Roger Shaw

FIRST LESSON.....Exodus 20:1-17 (pew Bible p. 58)

¹God spoke all these words: ²I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; ³you shall have no other gods before me. ⁴You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. ⁵You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, ⁶but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments. ⁷You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. ⁸Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. ⁹Six days you shall labor and do all your work. ¹⁰But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. ¹¹For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it. ¹²Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. ¹³You shall not murder. ¹⁴You shall not commit adultery. ¹⁵You shall not steal. ¹⁶You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. ¹⁷You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

PSALM 19—*Please sing responsively from the selected verses.*



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L: The heavens declare the glo- | ry of God,
and the sky proclaims its | maker's handiwork.

**C: The teaching of the LORD is perfect and re- | vives the soul;
the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to | the simple.**

L: The statutes of the LORD are just and re- | joice the heart;
the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light | to the eyes.

**C: More to be desired are they than gold, more than | much fine gold,
sweeter far than honey, than honey | in the comb.**

L: Who can detect one's | own offenses?
Cleanse me from my | secret faults.

**C: Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
be acceptable | in your sight,
O LORD, my strength and | my redeemer.**

SECOND LESSON.....1 Corinthians 1:18-25 (pew Bible p. 926)

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, "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.

↑ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

JOHN MERBECKE
Arr. HAROLD W. GILBERT

Unison

Christ hath hum - bled him - self, and be - come o -
be - dient un - to death: even the death of the Cross.

HOLY GOSPEL.....John 2:13-22 (pew Bible p. 863)

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 2nd chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.** (*spoken*)

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.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.** (*spoken*)

↓ SERMON.....Vicar Ariel

↑ HYMN OF THE DAY *Spread, Oh, Spread, Almighty Word*.....ELW #663

APOSTLES' CREED

C: **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.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Response after each petition:

L: Lord, in your mercy

C: **Hear our prayer.**

WE SHARE THE LORD'S PEACE

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

C: **And also with you.**

↓ OFFERTORY *Die mit Tränen säen*.....Schutz
Rebecca Clayton, Jayne Glocke, Emily Kiver
Sean Toso, Erik Clayton

(Translation: *They who sow with tears will reap with joy. They go out and weep and carry worthy seed, and return with joy and bring their sheaves.*)

↑ OFFERTORY SONG.....(ELW #182)

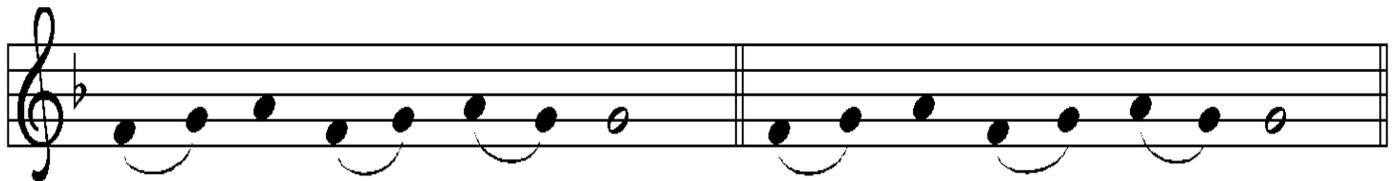
C: Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing, Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

P: God our provider, you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

(ELW p. 161)



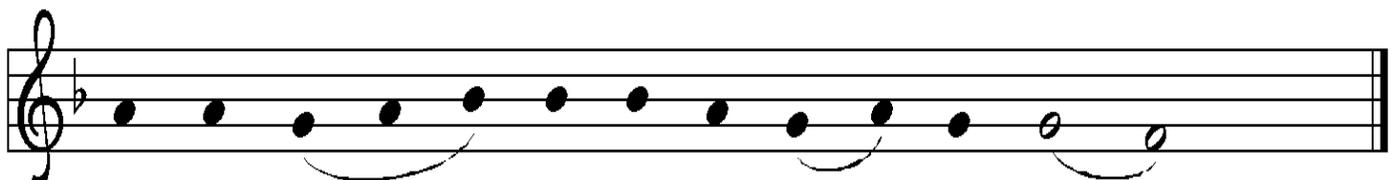
P: The Lord be with you. **C:** And al - so with you.



P: Lift up your hearts. **C:** We lift them to the Lord.



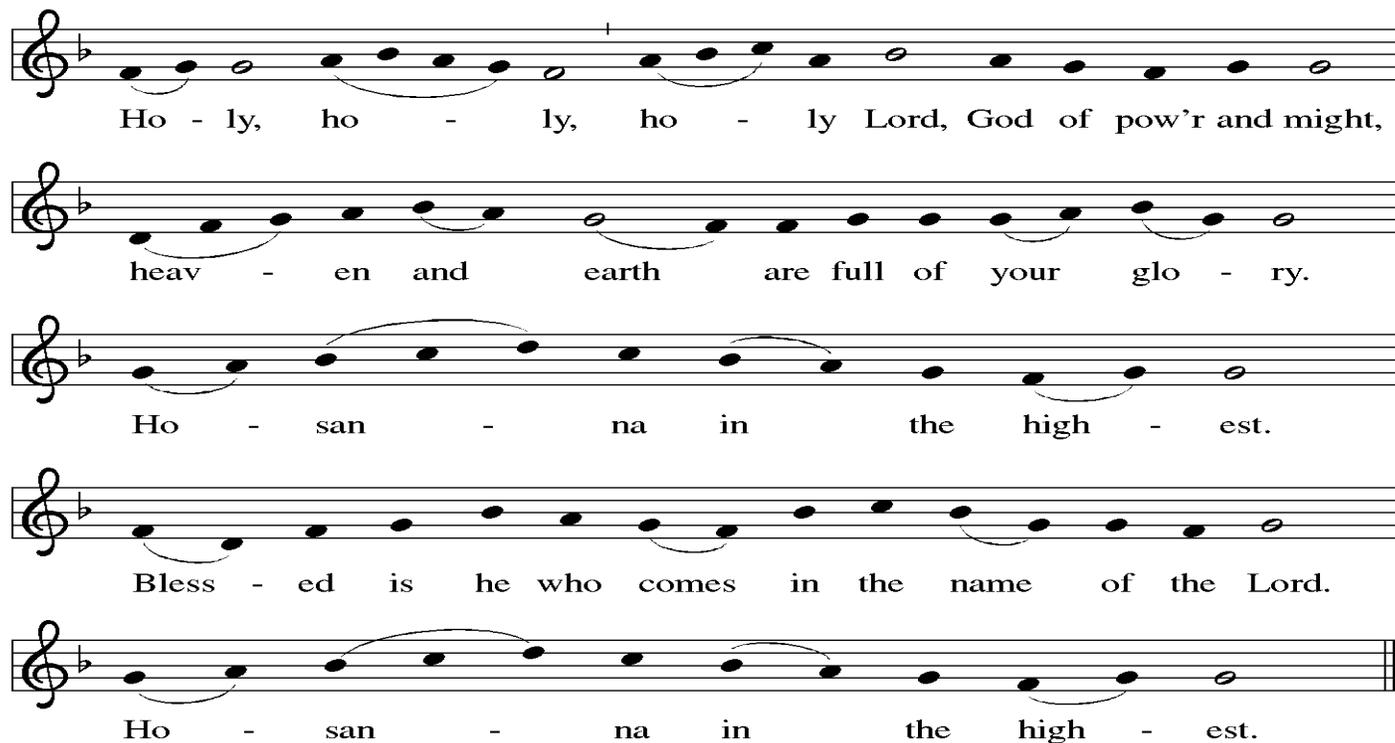
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C: (ELW p. 162)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav - en 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.

P: Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age. Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth. Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood. Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea. Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey. Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one. Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ. Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

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.

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: 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. To you, O God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

C: Amen.

C: 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.

P: The gifts of God for the people of God. Come, the meal is ready.

C: Thanks be to God.

↓ COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

All who are baptized are invited to join the congregation in receiving the Savior's Body and Blood. Children not yet receiving Communion are invited forward for a blessing. Rice wafers and grape juice are available for those who have sensitivities to wheat or alcohol. An acolyte has a special tray with these alternative communion elements.

C: (ELW p.164)

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. A - men.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION *O Christ the Same.....* Carl Schalk, ELW #760,
Laurel Sanders, a capella verses 2 & 3

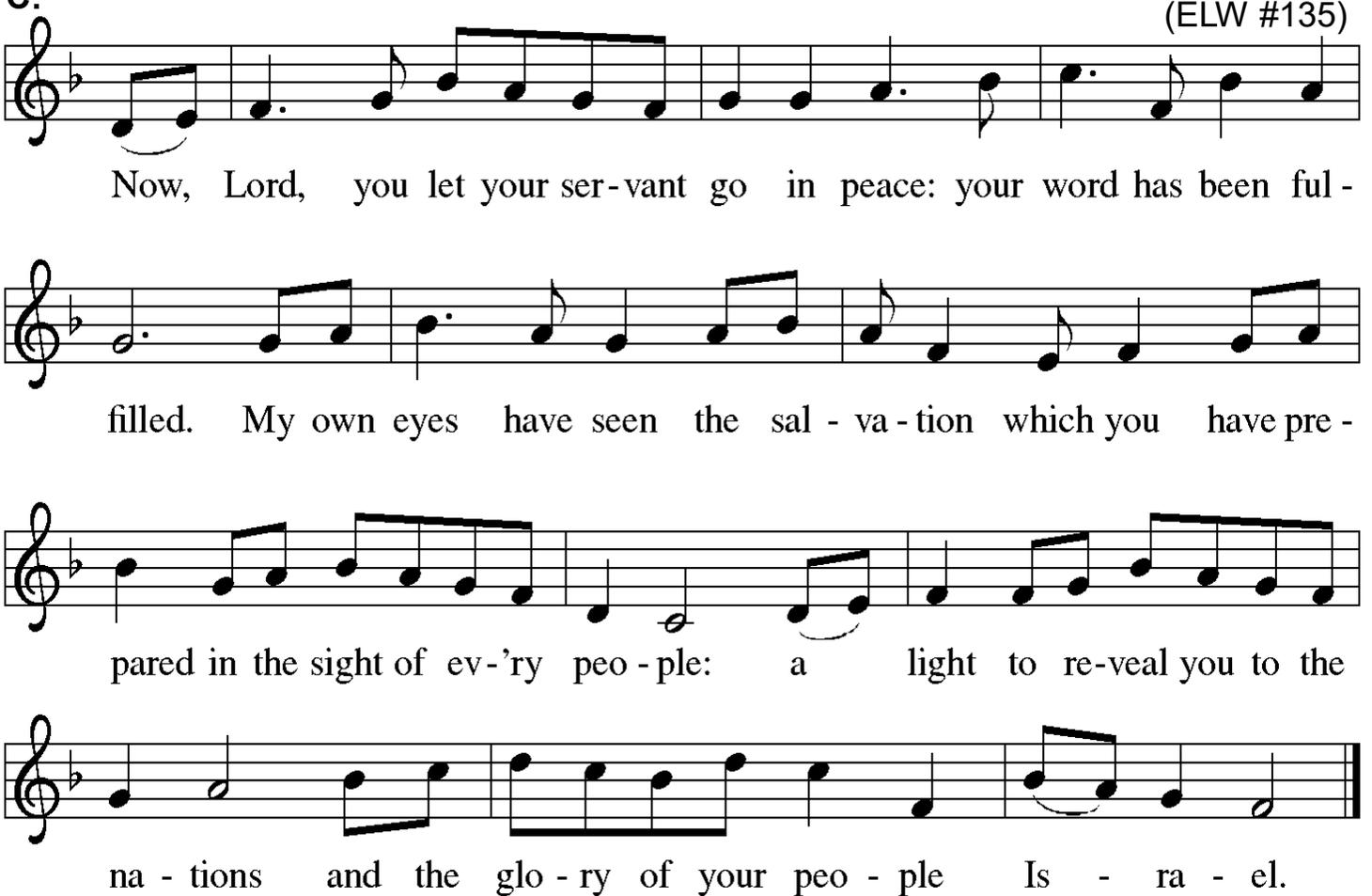
COMMUNION HYMNS:

- ELW #335 -- *Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross*
- ELW #608 -- *Softly & Tenderly Jesus Is Calling*
- ELW #785 -- *When Peace Like a River*

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: **Amen.**

C: (ELW #135)



Now, Lord, you let your ser-vant go in peace: your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have prepared in the sight of ev-'ry peo - ple: a light to re-veal you to the na - tions and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

P: Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be hunger for justice; our alms, a making of peace; and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

SEND

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

HYMN *God of Grace and God of Glory*.....ELW #705

A: Go in peace; serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE *Fugue on St. Anne BWV 552*.....J. S. Bach



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Worship Assistants for Sunday, March 4, 2018

	8:00 A.M.	9:00 A.M.	10:30 A.M.
Lectors	June Walter	Angie Hardyk	Dennis Glocke
Greeters	June Krumrine	Louise Tarman	Gerry Slear Leslie Elder Deborah Lux
Acolytes		Ethan Hardyk Spencer Hardyk	Izzy Williams Patrick Williams
Deacons	Don Widener	Carl Bankert & Sally Keiser Bankert	Elena Blazina Rich Rivell
Worship Assistant	George Weigand		
Cantor		Laurel Sanders	Jayne Glocke
Ushers		Dennis McClure John Palmgren Dave Huebner Shar Huebner Andy Vanden Heuvel Anne Rohrbach Aaron Rohrbach	Harold Cassady Jeya Chandra Linlee Oyler Ellen Campbell Matt Campbell
Radio Ministry; Sound			Lester Griel, III
Coffee Hour Hosts 10:00-10:30 a.m.			Lois Lynn & Leslie Wagner
Welcoming Center Hosts			Susan Antle



The *altar flowers* are given by Curt & Jackie Kunes
in honor of their children & their families

This morning's *bulletin* is sponsored by Brenda & Mia Kim
in memory of Eugene M. Oyler

Today's *radio broadcast* on WRSC - 1390 AM is sponsored
by Grace Lutheran Church

2018 Lenten/Easter Special Events and Services

Wednesday, March 7—Spring Break

Sunday, March 11 - Lent 4

Wednesday, March 14—A Bible study on Sunday's lessons, 11:00 AM

Sunday, March 18 - Lent 5

Wednesday, March 21—A Bible study on Sunday's lessons, 11:00 AM

Sunday, March 25 - **Palm Sunday**, 8:00, 9:00 and 10:30 AM services
6:00 PM Contemporary Worship

Wednesday, March 28 - **Holy Wednesday Program**, *Father, Son and Holy Spirit: Musical Inspirations from The Apostles' Creed*, 7:00 PM in the Sanctuary

Thursday, March 29, **Maundy Thursday Worship**, 7:30 PM

Friday, March 30, **Community Good Friday**, 12-3:00 PM, University Baptist & Brethren Church, 411 S. Burrowes Street, State College, PA

Friday, March 30, **Good Friday Tenebrae Worship**, 7:30 PM

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Sunday, April 1 - **Easter Sunday**

6:30 AM—Sunrise Service

7:30 AM—Easter Breakfast, Harkins Hall

8:00, 9:00 and 10:30 AM—Worship Services

6:00 PM—Contemporary Worship

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12:15 p.m. Wednesday Lunchtime Lenten Worship (until 12:45 p.m.)
with weekly celebration of Holy Communion. This short service should fit into a working lunch hour as well as allow the opportunity to attend weekday worship without nighttime travel.

6:30 p.m. Lent Mid-Week Wednesday Evening Worship

This mid-week service is designed for worshipers of all ages, and we have tailored it to be very accessible to young families and children. Come and make the Wednesday worship services part of your Lenten discipline.

MID-WEEK LENTEN SERIES: Sermon series on Lenten Hymns

March 7—Hymn 340—*A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth*

March 14—Hymn 338—*Beneath the Cross of Jesus*

March 21—Hymn 325—*I Want Jesus to Walk with Me*



Sunday, March 4

- 8:00 a.m.....Worship with Holy Communion, Sanctuary
- 9:00 a.m.....Worship with Holy Communion, Sanctuary
- 9:00 a.m.....No Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m.....Worship with Holy Communion, Sanctuary
- 2:00 p.m.....Ecumenical Rehearsal #3 for March 28th, Sanctuary
- 4:00 p.m.....Psalm 151 Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 6:00 p.m.....Casual Worship w/ Holy Communion, Sanctuary
- 7:00 p.m.....QNA (Questions—Not Answers Group), Pastor Lynn’s Office

Monday, March 5

GLPK—No School

- 11:00 a.m.....Bill Miller Funeral, Sanctuary
- 12 noon.....Bill Miller Funeral Luncheon, Miller Center

Tuesday, March 6

GLPK—No School

- 9:30 a.m.....Staff Meeting, Fireside
- 1:00 p.m.....Women of Grace—Naomi Circle, Library
- 7:00 p.m.....Women of Grace Board Meeting, Fireside

Wednesday, March 7

GLPK—No School

No regular Super Wednesday activities

- 12:15 p.m.....Lenten Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 6:30 p.m.....Lenten Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 7:30 p.m.....Adult Choir rehearsal, Sanctuary

Thursday, March 8

GLPK—No School

- 7:00 a.m.....Women’s Breakfast Prayer Group, Waffle Shop North
- 9:00 a.m.....Bulletin Announcement Due, Church Office
- 10:00 a.m.....KNIT WITS, Library
- 12 noon.....Men’s Bible Study, IHOP, S. Atherton Street
- 5:30 p.m.....Finance Committee Meeting, Fireside
- 6:30 p.m.....GLC open basketball, Miller Center

Friday, March 9

GLPK—No School

No regular church calendar events

Saturday, March 10

No regular church calendar events