Lent 3

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We at St. Luke's dedicate ourselves to grow in faith and love, to serve together, and to reach out with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.



PRE-SERVICE MUSIC~

WELCOME & GREETING

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father and of the ♣ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

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

C: I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.

P: The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your 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 \$\mathbb{A}\$ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P: Let us pray. Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people
- C: that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul.
- P: It was Your will, O Lord, that Your Son drink the cup of suffering and death on our behalf.
- C: Grant us repentance and faith that we might receive the benefits of Christ's suffering for us;
- P: through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

All: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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.

Elder: Through Holy Baptism God has added Scarlett Jae McNaughton to His own people to declare the wonderful deeds of our Savior, who has called us out of darkness into His marvelous light.

C: We welcome you into the Lord's family. We receive you as a fellow member of the body of Christ, a child of the same heavenly Father, to work with us in His kingdom.

OPENING SONG~ 'House of the Lord'

We worship the God who was
We worship the God who is
We worship the God who evermore will be
He opened the prison doors
He parted the raging sea
My God He holds the victory yeah

Chorus

There's joy in the house of the Lord There's joy in the house of the Lord today And we won't be quiet We shout out Your praise There's joy in the house of the Lord Our God is surely in this place And we won't be quiet We shout out Your praise

<u>Interlude</u>

Oh oh oh We shout out Your praise

We sing to the God who heals
We sing to the God who saves
We sing to the God who always makes a way
'Cause He hung up on that cross
Then He rose up from that grave
My God's still rolling stones away (Chorus)

Bridge

('Cause) We were the beggars
Now we're royalty
We were the prisoners
Now we're running free
We are forgiven accepted
Redeemed by His grace
Let the house of the Lord sing praise (Repeat)

(Chorus x2)

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FIRST READING~ Acts 3:1-16

¹One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the time of prayer--at three in the afternoon. ²Now a man crippled from birth was being carried to the temple gate called Beautiful, where he was put every day to beg from those going into the temple courts. ³When he saw Peter and John about to enter, he asked them for money.

⁴Peter looked straight at him, as did John. Then Peter said, "Look at us!" ⁵So the man gave them his attention, expecting to get something from them.

⁶Then Peter said, "Silver or gold I do not have, but what I have I give you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk." ⁷Taking him by the right hand, he helped him up, and instantly the man's feet and ankles became strong. ⁸He jumped to his feet and began to walk. Then he went with them into the temple courts, walking and jumping, and praising God. ⁹When all the people saw him walking and praising God, ¹⁰they recognized him as the same man who used to sit begging at the temple gate called Beautiful, and they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.

¹¹While the beggar held on to Peter and John, all the people were astonished and came running to them in the place called Solomon's Colonnade. ¹²When Peter saw this, he said to them: "Men of Israel, why does this surprise you? Why do you stare at us as if by our own power or godliness we had made this man walk? ¹³The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified his servant Jesus. You handed him over to be killed, and you disowned him before Pilate, though he had decided to let him go. ¹⁴You disowned the Holy and Righteous One and asked that a murderer be released to you. ¹⁵You killed the author of life, but God raised him from the dead. We are witnesses of this. ¹⁶By faith in the name of Jesus, this man whom you see and know was made strong. It is Jesus' name and the faith that comes through him that has given this complete healing to him, as you can all see.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Rise)

GOSPEL READING~ John 13:33-38

³³''My children, I will be with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and just as I told the Jews, so I tell you now: Where I am going, you cannot come.

³⁴"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. ³⁵By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

³⁶Simon Peter asked him, "Lord, where are you going?" Jesus replied, "Where I am going, you cannot follow now, but you will follow later."

³⁷Peter asked, "Lord, why can't I follow you now? I will lay down my life for you."

³⁸Then Jesus answered, "Will you really lay down your life for me? I tell you the truth, before the rooster crows, you will disown me three times!

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to You, O Lord.

CHILDREN'S TIME

MESSAGE SONG~ 'Amazing Grace'

Amazing grace how sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost but now am found,
Was blind but now I see! Alleluia.

Refrain

Alleluia, Allelu, Alleluia, Alleluia. Alleluia, Allelu, Alleluia, Allelu, Alleluia.

- Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
 And grace my fears relieved.
 How precious did that grace appear
 The hour I first believed. Alleluia. (Refrain)
- Jesus loves me! This I know,
 For the Bible tells me so.
 Little ones to Him belong;
 They are weak but He is strong. Alleluia. (Refrain)

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MESSAGE

THE GATHERING OF OUR GIFTS & WE CARE CARDS

OFFERING HYMN~ 'You Say'~ Solo

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P: Lord, in Your mercy,

All: hear our prayer. (after final petition: Amen.)

THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

Guests Please Note: As Lutheran Christians we believe in the Real Presence of Christ in Holy Communion; that as we participate in the sacrament we receive His body and blood. If you are confirmed and trust in Jesus and Savior and Lord and accept this understanding of communion you are invited to commune with us. There is a choice of individual or communion cup. You may choose a Gluten free wafer from the brass container as the host is served.

WORDS OF PRAISE & INVITATION

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

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

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

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ......This do in remembrance of me.

LORD'S PRAYER

All: 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.

PFACE OF THE LORD

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

C: And also with you.

DISTRIBUTION & SONGS 'One Bread One Body'

Refrain:

One Bread, one Body, one Lord of all, One cup of blessing which we bless. And we, though many, through-out the earth, We are one body in this one Lord.

Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man, no more. (Refrain)

Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all. (Refrain)

Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, gathered into one, for all. *(Refrain)*

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'Bread of Life'

Refrain:

I myself am the bread of life. You and I are the bread of life, Taken and blessed, broken and shared by Christ That the world might live.

- 1 This bread is spirit, gift of the Maker's love, And we who share it know that we can be one: A living sign of God in Christ. (Refrain)
- 2 Here is God's kingdom given to us as food. This is our body, this is our blood: A living sign of God in Christ. (Refrain)
- 3 Lives broken open, stories shared aloud, Become a banquet, a shelter for the world: A living sign of God in Christ. (Refrain)

I myself am the bread of life.

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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that Your Son's body and blood strengthens us to face the trials and temptations of this life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

SENDING SONG~ 'Graves Into Gardens'

I searched the world but it couldn't fill me
Man's empty praise and treasures that fade
Are never enough
Then You came along and put me back together
And every desire is now satisfied here in Your love

Chorus

Oh there's nothing better than You There's nothing better than You Lord there's nothing Nothing is better than You

I'm not afraid to show You my weakness My failures and flaws Lord You've seen them all And You still call me friend 'Cause the God of the mountain Is the God of the valley And there's not a place Your mercy and grace won't find me again (Chorus twice

Bridge

You turn mourning to dancing
You give beauty for ashes
You turn shame into glory
You're the only one who can
You turn graves into gardens
You turn bones into armies
You turn seas into highways
You're the only one who can (repeat bridge)

Ending

You're the only one who can You're the only one who can

SENDING

P: Be with us through this season, Lord,

C: And all our earthly days,

P: That when the final Easter dawns,

C: We join in heaven's praise.

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.

All: Amen & Amen

P: Go in peace and serve the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

POST-SERVICE MUSIC