

Sunday, March 12, 2023 Third Sunday in Lent 8:00 a.m.

The altar flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God by Dee Olsen in memory of her husband, John Olsen.

As We Gather

One guideline consistently commended to hikers is the importance of bringing along sufficient water for the journey. It is important to be refreshed and revitalized along the way, wherever our paths may take us. As we gather for worship, our gracious God refreshes us here in this place where, as American hymnist Christopher Wordsworth beautifully phrased it, "Gospel-light is glowing With pure and radiant beams And living water flowing With soul-refreshing streams" (*TLH* 9:4). As we join in worship, our cups run over with that living water. Once again, we are renewed and satisfied and made ready to journey further in the name of the Lord.

Preservice Music

All Who Hunger
Joyful, Joyful
Intergenerational Ringers

Ringing of the Bells

Welcome and Greeting

Please stand



Invocation

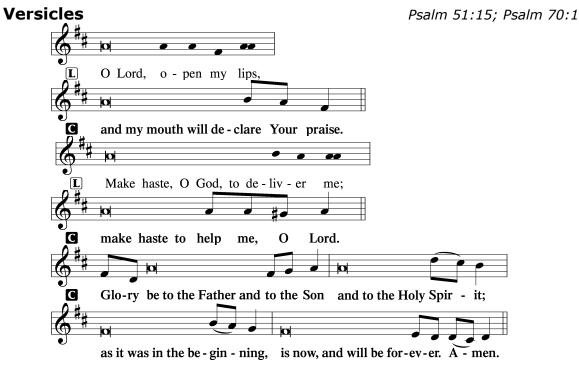
Matthew 28:19b; 18:20

- \mathbf{L} In the name of the Father and of the \mathbf{H} Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- Amen.

Opening Sentences

Ps. 84:1-5

- E Blessed are those whose strength is in you, in whose heart are the highways to Zion.
- How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!
- My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the Lord;
- **G** my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.
- **L** Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young,
- at your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
- Elessed are those who dwell in your house ever singing your praise!
- Blessed are those whose strength is in you, in whose heart are the highways to Zion.



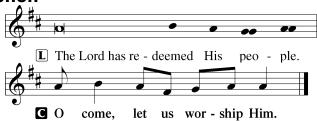


Praise to You, O Christ, Lamb of our sal - va - tion.

Psalmody



Venite



1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our

2 and a great king

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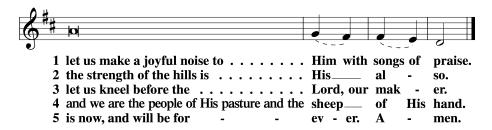
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Ps. 95:1-7

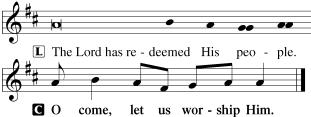
5 and to the	Ho - ly	Spir -	it;
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1 Let us come into His presence with	thanks - giv	- in	g,

3 and His hand formed the dry____

2 The deep places of the earth are in His 3 O come, let us worship and bow down, 4 For He is our God, 5 as it was in the be - - gin - ning,



Antiphon



Please be seated

Old Testament

Exodus 17:1-7

¹All the congregation of the people of Israel moved on from the wilderness of Sin by stages, according to the commandment of the LORD, and camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ²Therefore the people guarreled with Moses and said, "Give us water to drink." And Moses said to them, "Why do you guarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?" 3But the people thirsted there for water, and the people grumbled against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?" 4So Moses cried to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." 5And the LORD said to Moses, "Pass on before the people, taking with you some of the elders of Israel, and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. ⁶Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock at Horeb, and you shall strike the rock, and water shall come out of it, and the people will drink." And Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. ⁷And he called the name of the place Massah and Meribah, because of the guarreling of the people of Israel, and because they tested the LORD by saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

- L O Lord, have mercy on us.
- Thanks be to God.

Epistle Romans 5:1–8

¹Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. ²Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. ³More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

⁶For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— ⁸but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

Thanks be to God.

What Wondrous Love Is This

Adult Choir



Please stand

Holy Gospel John 4:5-26

⁵[Jesus] came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the field that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. ⁶Jacob's well was there; so Jesus, wearied as he was from his journey, was sitting beside the well. It was about the sixth hour.

⁷There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." 8(For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) 9The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) 10 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." ¹¹The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? ¹²Are you greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock." 13Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, 14but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty forever. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." 15The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water."

¹⁶Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." ¹⁷The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; ¹⁸ for you have had five husbands, and the one you now have is not your husband. What you have said is true." 19The woman said to him, "Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. ²⁰Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, but you say that in Jerusalem is the place where people ought to worship." ²¹Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. ²²You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. ²³But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. ²⁴God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." ²⁵The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ). When he comes, he will tell us all things." ²⁶Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am he."

Responsory

1 John 2:1-2; Mark 10:33; Psalm 32:1

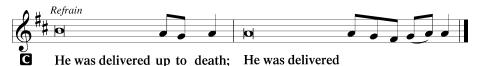


1 We have an advocate with the Fa-ther; Jesus is the propitiation for our sins.

2 Blessed is he whose

transgression is for - giv - en and whose sin is put a - way

3 We have an advocate with the Fa-ther; Jesus is the propitiation for our sins.



for the sins of the peo-ple.

Please be seated

Children's Message





Jesus Sinners Doth Receive



- 5 Oh, how blest it is to know: Were as scarlet my transgression, It shall be as white as snow By Thy blood and bitter passion; For these words I now believe: Jesus sinners doth receive.
- 6 Now my conscience is at peace;
 From the Law I stand acquitted.
 Christ hath purchased my release
 And my ev'ry sin remitted.
 Naught remains my soul to grieve:
 Jesus sinners doth receive.

7 Jesus sinners doth receive; Also I have been forgiven; And when I this earth must leave, I shall find an open heaven. Dying, still to Him I cleave: Jesus sinners doth receive.

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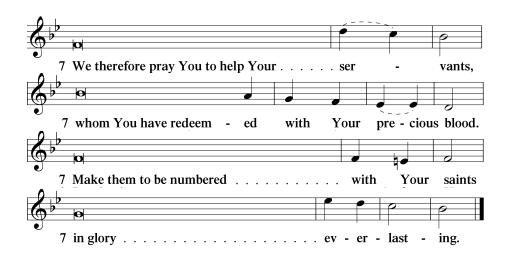
Sermon			

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Kum Ba Yah IG Ringers

Canticle: Te Deum









Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13

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.

Prayer of the Church

- **P** Lord, in your mercy:
- Hear our prayer.

Collect for Grace

- P O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Benedicamus

- P Let us bless the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Benediction

- The grace of our Lord
 → Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C Amen.





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Communion

Those baptized and confirmed Christians who share our Lutheran confession of faith are welcome to receive the Lord's Supper with us. Since the Lord's Supper is a testimony of our unity in faith and love, those Christians of a different confession of faith who desire to receive the Sacrament are asked to speak with a Pastor before worship. All are welcome to come to the altar and receive a blessing. The desire to receive a blessing can be indicated by crossing arms over the chest.

Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available. After communion, individual cups are to be placed in the baskets near the aisle. For further discussion and a guide to self-examination before communion, see the Holy Communion Guide in the pew pocket.

Communion in the Pew

Please notify an usher if you would like to be served communion in the pew.

Care Needed During Worship

Should you or anyone with you today experience a health-related problem, look for someone wearing a yellow lanyard/nametag (seated on the center aisle left side as you exit sanctuary). They have specialized training to assist you.

Nursery Available

Children are welcome in worship here at Zion but if a little one (or their parent) needs a short break, the church lobby is available for walking and comforting. The nursery is located to the left as you exit the sanctuary if you should need a quiet space. Diaper changing stations are located in the handicapped stalls of the restrooms.