

Sunday, March 7, 2021 — Third Sunday in Lent

---

# University Lutheran Church Lutheran Campus Ministry

10:30 AM Worship Service



340 East 15th Street Tempe, AZ 85281-6612

480.967.3543

[www.ulctempe.org](http://www.ulctempe.org)

[info@ulctempe.org](mailto:info@ulctempe.org)

# SUNDAY WORSHIP

**PRELUDE**

John Fillo & Nic Peters

**WELCOME**

Gary N. McCluskey, Pastor

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*All may make the sign of the cross in remembrance of baptism as the presiding minister begins.*

**P** Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the keeper of the covenant, the source of steadfast love, our rock and our redeemer.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** **God hears us when we cry, and draws us close in Jesus Christ. Let us return to the one who is full of compassion.**

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**P** Fountain of living water,

**C** **pour out your mercy over us. Our sin is heavy, and we long to be free. Rebuild what we have ruined and mend what we have torn. Wash us in your cleansing flood. Make us alive in the Spirit to follow in the way of Jesus, as healers and restorers of the world you so love. Amen.**

**P** Beloved, God's word never fails. The promise rests on grace: by the saving love of Jesus Christ, the wisdom and power of God, your sins are + forgiven, and God remembers them no more. Journey in the way of Jesus.

**C** **Amen.**

# OPENING HYMN

# AS A DEER

As a deer\_\_\_\_\_ longs for a stream of cool wat - er,\_\_\_

so I long for you, oh God. I thirst for you, the liv - ing God.

When can I go and wor - ship in your pres - ence.

Why am I so sad? Why am I so trou - bled?

I will put my hope in God and once a - gain, I will praise him,

my Sav - ior and my God. As a deer\_\_\_\_\_ longs for a

stream of cool wat - er,\_\_\_ so I long for you, oh God.

I thirst for you, the liv - ing God.

When can I go and wor - ship in your pres - ence.

## GREETING

- 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.

# KYRIE

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy, have mer-cy on us. mer-cy on us.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**A** 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.

**C** **Amen**

## FIRST READING

**Exodus 20:1-17**

<sup>1</sup>Then God spoke all these words: <sup>2</sup>I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; <sup>3</sup>you shall have no other gods before me. <sup>4</sup>You 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. <sup>5</sup>You 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, <sup>6</sup>but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

<sup>7</sup>You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. <sup>8</sup>Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. <sup>9</sup>Six days you shall labor and do all your work. <sup>10</sup>But 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. <sup>11</sup>For 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. <sup>12</sup>Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you. <sup>13</sup>You shall not murder. <sup>14</sup>You shall not commit adultery. <sup>15</sup>You shall not steal. <sup>16</sup>You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. <sup>17</sup>You 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

## Psalm 19

*The Psalm will be spoken in unison.*

<sup>1</sup>The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky proclaims its maker's handiwork.

<sup>2</sup>**One day tells its tale to another, and one night imparts knowledge to another.**

<sup>3</sup>Although they have no words or language, and their voices are not heard,

<sup>4</sup>**their sound has gone out into all lands, and their message to the ends of the world, where God has pitched a tent for the sun.**

<sup>5</sup>It comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its course.

<sup>6</sup>**It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; nothing is hidden from its burning heat.**

<sup>7</sup>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.

<sup>8</sup>**The statutes of the LORD are just and re- | jice the heart; the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light | to the eyes.**

<sup>9</sup>The fear of the LORD is clean and en- | dures forever; the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous | altogether.

<sup>10</sup>**More to be desired are they than gold, more than | much fine gold, sweeter far than honey, than honey | in the comb.**

<sup>11</sup>By them also is your ser- | vant enlightened, and in keeping them there is | great reward.

<sup>12</sup>**Who can detect one's | own offenses? Cleanse me from my | secret faults.**

<sup>13</sup>Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion | over me; then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a | great offense.

<sup>14</sup>**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 READING**

**1 Corinthians 1:18-25**

<sup>18</sup>For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. <sup>19</sup>For it is written,

"I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart."

<sup>20</sup>Where 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? <sup>21</sup>For 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. <sup>22</sup>For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, <sup>23</sup>but we

proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, <sup>24</sup>but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. <sup>25</sup>For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Re - turn to the Lord your God, who is  
gra - cious and mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger,  
and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

## GOSPEL

John 2:13-22

P The Holy Gospel according to John the second chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>13</sup>The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup>In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. <sup>15</sup>Making 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. <sup>16</sup>He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" <sup>17</sup>His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." <sup>18</sup>The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" <sup>19</sup>Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." <sup>20</sup>The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" <sup>21</sup>But he was speaking of the temple of his

body. <sup>22</sup>After 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.

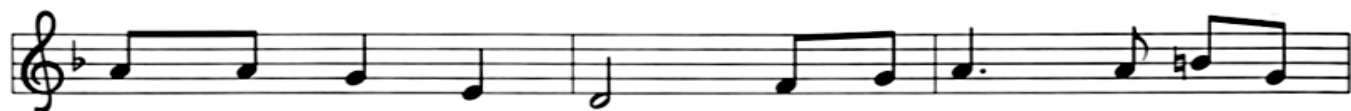
## HOMILY

Seminarian Esther Sianipar

## HYMN OF THE DAY TREE OF LIFE AND AWESOME MYSTERY



1 Tree of Life and awe - some mys - t'ry, in your  
 2 We re - mem - ber truth once spo - ken, love passed  
 3 Christ, you lead and we shall fol - low, stum - bling



death we are re - born; though you die in all of  
 on through act and word; ev - 'ry per - son lost and  
 though our steps may be; one with you in joy and



his - t'ry, still you rise with ev - 'ry morn, still you  
 bro - ken wears the bod - y of our Lord, wears the  
 sor - row, we the riv - er, you the sea, we the



rise with ev - 'ry morn.  
 bod - y of our Lord.  
 riv - er, you the sea.

### *Lent 3*

Living Water of salvation,  
 be the fountain of each soul;  
 springing up in new creation,  
 flow in us and make us whole.



## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

## NICENE CREED

**C We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit  
and the virgin Mary and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and  
glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A Relying on the promises of God, we pray boldly for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence. After each portion of the prayers the Assistant will say:*

A Hear us, O God.

*The congregation will respond with:*

C **Your mercy is great.**

*The prayers conclude:*

A We entrust ourselves and all our prayers to you, O faithful God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

## THE PEACE IS SHARED

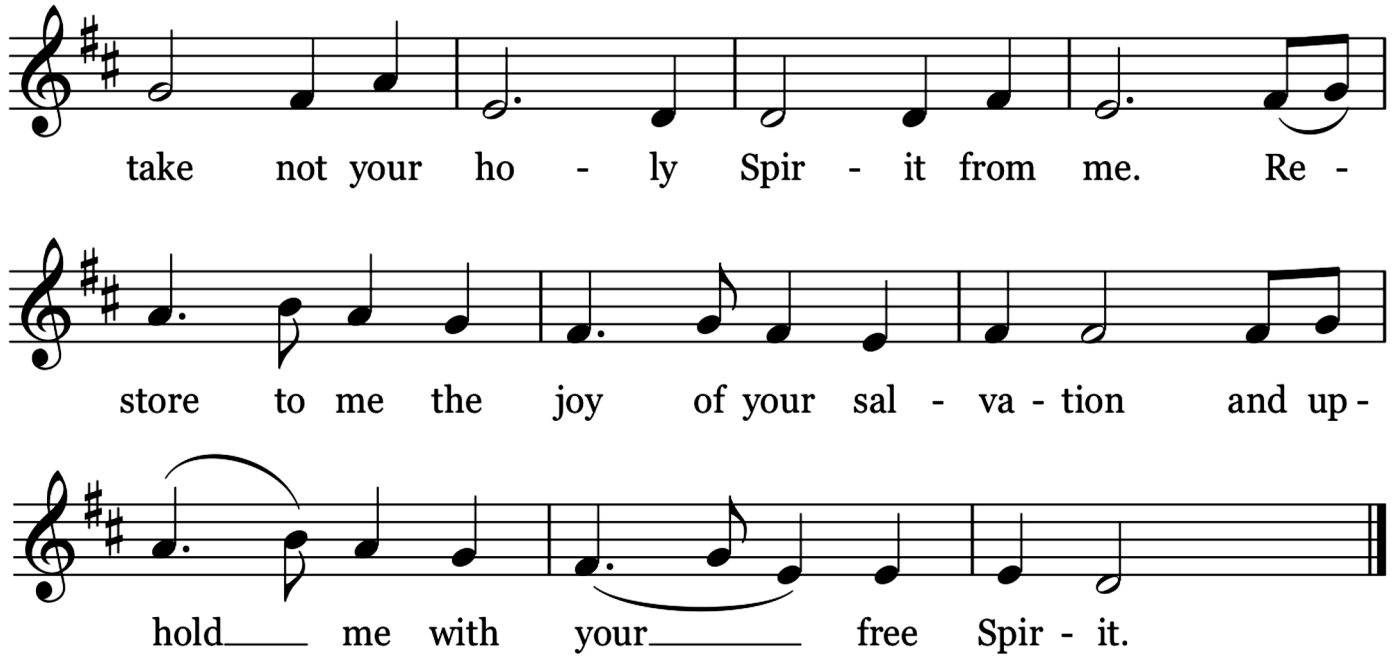
P The peace of Christ be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

## OFFERTORY

## CREATE IN ME A CLEAN HEART

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, oh God, and re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me.  
Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence and -



take not your ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -  
store to me the joy of your sal - va - tion and up -  
hold me with your free Spir - it.

## OFFERING PRAYER

- A Faithful God, you walk beside us in desert places, and you meet us in our hunger with bread from heaven. Accompany us in this meal, that we may pass over from death to life with Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen.

*Thank you to all who continue to support our ministry through your prayers, your calls, emails, and texts. Thank you to all who continue to support our ministry with your financial gifts. We know some in our community have lost their jobs and others have had theirs significantly scaled back. We continue to have the same needs of financial support along with a few additional costs as we operate much differently during this time.*

*You may contribute financially online through our web site  
([www.ulctempe.org](http://www.ulctempe.org)) by clicking on the Give + icon*

*and following instructions.*

*You can also mail your gifts to:*

*University Lutheran Church*

*340 E. 15th Street, Tempe, AZ 85281*

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**C** Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **BENEDICTION**

**P** You are what God made you to be: created in Christ Jesus for good works, chosen as holy and beloved, freed to serve your neighbor. God bless you + that you may be a blessing, in the name of the holy and life-giving Trinity.

**C** Amen.

## CLOSING HYMN

## CHANGE MY HEART, O GOD

*Refrain*

Change my heart, O God; make it ev-er true.

Change my heart, O God; may I be like you. *End*

You are the pot-ter; I am the clay.

Mold me and make me; this is what I pray. *Refrain*

## SENDING

A Go in peace. Share the good news.

C Thanks be to God.

## POSTLUDE

Sarah Sejen

## Participants in Worship

### **Guest Preacher**

*Seminarian Esther Sianipar  
Third-year Seminarian  
Luther Seminary, St. Paul MN*

### **Worship Assistant**

*Gary N. McCluskey*

### **Lector**

*Josh Burgett*

### **Director of Music**

*Aiko Yamada Mancini*

### **Video and Audio Production**

*Terry Pochert  
Brian & Aiko Mancini*

### **Musicians**

*John Fillo, bass and guitar  
Nic Peters, cello  
Nils Peterson, voice  
Sarah Sejen, piano  
Aiko Yamada Mancini, voice and piano*