

Celebrations!

Outreach Ministry Team Weekend

Sunday, March 17, 2019 - 10:45 a.m.

As We Gather

During Jesus' earthly ministry, countless people saw Him, but not everyone came to see Him for who He truly is: the King who comes to save. Many today want to "see" Jesus from a safe distance, refusing to see Him for who He truly is. Today, by God's grace, we are different. We long to see Jesus. We want to see Him up close and personal, acknowledging with heart and voice the redeeming work of His death and resurrection. We look forward to the day when we shall see Him face-to-face in His new kingdom, singing with all of God's children: "Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!"

Welcome & Community Greeting

Opening Song (Remain standing)

"This is Amazing Grace"

1. Who breaks the pow-er of sin and dark-ness Whose love is might-y
2. Who brings our cha-os back in-to or-der Who makes the or-phan

and so much strong-er The King of Glo-ry The King a-bove all Kings
a son and daugh-ter The King of Glo-ry The King a-bove all Kings

Who shakes the whole earth with ho-ly thun-der Who leaves us breath-less
Who rules the na-tions with truth and jus-tice Shines like the sun in

in awe and won-der The King of Glo-ry The King a-bove all Kings
all of its bril-liance The Kind of Glo-ry The King a-bove all Kings

This is a-maz-ing grace; This is un-fail-ing love;
that You would take my place that You would bear my cross

You would lay down Your life that I would be set free

Je-sus I sing for all that You've done for me me

Wor-thy is the Lamb who was slain Wor-thy is the King who con - quered the grave.

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- quered the grave Wor - thy is the Lamb who was slain

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Wor - thy is the Lamb who was slain wor - thy wor - thy wor - thy!

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 that You would bear my cross You would lay down Your life
 that I would be set free Je-sus I sing for all that You've done for me me

P = Pastor/Preacher; L = Worship Leader; C = Congregation

Invocation

Based on John 1

L: In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit,
 C: Amen.

Gathering Prayer

Our Shared Confession of God

The Apostles' Creed

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.

✝ God's Word for Us ✝

Old Testament (*Please be seated*) “Mend your ways and your deeds” *Jeremiah 26:8-15*

⁸And when Jeremiah had finished speaking all that the Lord had commanded him to speak to all the people, then the priests and the prophets and all the people laid hold of him, saying, “You shall die! ⁹Why have you prophesied in the name of the Lord, saying, ‘This house shall be like Shiloh, and this city shall be desolate, without inhabitant?’” And all the people gathered around Jeremiah in the house of the Lord. ¹⁰When the officials of Judah heard these things, they came up from the king’s house to the house of the Lord and took their seat in the entry of the New Gate of the house of the Lord. ¹¹Then the priests and the prophets said to the officials and to all the people, “This man deserves the sentence of death, because he has prophesied against this city, as you have heard with your own ears.” ¹²Then Jeremiah spoke to all the officials and all the people, saying, “The Lord sent me to prophesy against this house and this city all the words you have heard. ¹³Now therefore mend your ways and your deeds, and obey the voice of the Lord your God, and the Lord will relent of the disaster that he has pronounced against you. ¹⁴But as for me, behold, I am in your hands. Do with me as seems good and right to you. ¹⁵Only know for certain that if you put me to death, you will bring innocent blood upon yourselves and upon this city and its inhabitants, for in truth the Lord sent me to you to speak all these words in your ears.”

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Epistle

“Stand Firm”

Philippians 3:17-4:1

¹⁷Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us. ¹⁸For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross of Christ. ¹⁹Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. ²⁰But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself. ¹Therefore, my brothers, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm thus in the Lord, my beloved.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Song or Special Music

 (*Please stand*)

“The Gospel Song”

Jones/Kauflin

Soloist sings first time, then cong. Sings 2X

Ho - ly God in love be came per - feet
Man to bear my blame On the cross He took my
sin By His death I live a - gain

The image shows three staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of lyrics. The second staff contains the melody for the second line of lyrics. The third staff contains the melody for the third line of lyrics, including a fermata over the word 'By'.

Holy Gospel

“I must go on my way”

Luke 13:31-35

³¹At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to [Jesus], “Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.” ³²And he said to them, “Go and tell that fox, ‘Behold, I cast out demons and perform cures today and tomorrow, and the third day I finish my course. ³³Nevertheless, I must go on my way today and tomorrow and the day following, for it cannot be that a prophet should perish away from Jerusalem.’ ³⁴O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you would not! ³⁵Behold, your house is forsaken. And I tell you, you will not see me until you say, ‘Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!’”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

Children’s Message *(Please be seated)*

Song

“How Deep the Father’s Love”

Townend

1. How deep the Fa-ther's love for us, how
2. I will not boast in an-y-thing no
vast be-yond all meas-ure That He should give His on-ly Son to
gifts no pow'r no wis-dom But I will boast in Je-sus Christ His
make a wretch His treasure. How great the pain of sear-ing loss The
death and res-ur-rec-tion Why should I gain from His re-ward I
Fa-ther turns His face a-way As wounds which mar the Cho-sen One bring
can-not give an an-swer But this I know with all my heart His
man-y sons to glo-ry
wounds have paid my ran-som (Why)

After second verse

Why should I gain from His re-ward? I can-not give an an-swer,
But this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ran-som

1) **Jesus wants to** _____.

³¹ Now is the time for judgment on this world; now the prince of this world will be driven out. ³² And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.”

-JOHN 12:31-32

2) **God’s Word is** _____.

sometimes, but it is always _____.

⁴ Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

-PSALM 23:4

3) **Jesus is the only** _____.

⁴ Then all the leaders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah. ⁵ They told him, “You’re old, and your sons aren’t following your example. Now appoint a king to judge us so that we will be like all the other nations.” ⁶ But Samuel considered it wrong for them to request a king to judge them. So Samuel prayed to the Lord. ⁷ The Lord told Samuel, “Listen to everything the people are saying to you. They haven’t rejected you; they’ve rejected me.

-1 SAMUEL 8:4-7

4) **Being in the kingdom is not about your** _____!

²⁰ But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹ who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.

-PHILIPPIANS 3:20-21

5) **At the cross, Jesus** _____.

Your kingdom come; Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.?’

-MATTHEW 6:10

Pilate had a notice prepared and fastened to the cross.

It read: JESUS OF NAZARETH, THE KING OF THE JEWS

-JOHN 19:19

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✝ Thanking Him with Our Lives ✝

Pastoral Greeting & Rite of Fellowship

(Welcome! Please add your name to the fellowship pad.)

Ministry Moment

“Easter Egg Hunt”

Outreach Ministry Team

Gathering of Offerings

(As an act of worship and thanksgiving, we offer to God what He has first given to us: the first and best of our lives, time, talents and financial gifts.)

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Special Music

“For All You Do”

Calvary Lutheran School K-2

Note: To provide an atmosphere of worship, we kindly ask that you refrain from taking photographs or video during the service. Photographs are welcome after the service.

✝ Calling Upon Him in Confession and Prayer ✝

Prayer of Confession *(Please stand)*

- L: O God our Father, since You have set forth the way of life for us in Your beloved Son, we confess with shame our slowness to learn of Him, our failure to follow Him, our reluctance to bear the cross.
- C: Forgive us the poverty of our worship and our neglect of fellowship with our brothers and sisters in Christ; forgive us for our hesitating witness for Jesus.
- L: Forgive us for evading our responsibilities for Christian service and our selfish use of Your gifts; forgive us that so little of Your love has reached others through us.
- C: Forgive us that we have too often been thoughtless in our judgments and hasty in our condemnations. Forgive us that we have been grudging in forgiveness, slow to seek reconciliation, and unwilling to help our neighbors as You desire. Have mercy on us, O God, Create in us clean hearts, O God, and put a new and right spirit within us.

Assurance of Forgiveness

- L: In Christ Jesus, the hand of God has reached out and rescued us from sin and death. Christ bore the judgment on the cross for us, and He was raised from the dead to confirm that God’s salvation is complete. By the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I, a called and ordained servant of the Word, forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son ✝ and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen! Thanks be to God.

Prayers of the Church & the Lord's Prayer

- L: Lord remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- 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.

✠ Sent with His Blessing ✠

Blessing

L: The almighty God, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless you and keep you until His eternal and perfect kingdom comes.

C: Amen.

Sending Song

“A Love So Deep”

Tony Spelde

I stand a mazed in the pre-sence of a love so deep on that
tree For sin - ners con-demned and un - clean His death on the cross sets us
free I stand a - mazed in the pre - sence of a love so deep for
me O death where is thy sting And where o death, is thy vic - to - ry
1.He took my sins and my sor - rows He made them His ve - ry own He
2.When Christ re - turns in glo - ry Then face to face I shall see My
bore the bur - den to Cal - va - ry and suf - fered and died a - lone.
end - less joy in e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing of His love for me. *to refrain*

Next week, a special door offering will also be gathered by the India Mission Team to support the Tailoring and Tuition Centers in Ambur, India.

Thank you for your generous support of this mission opportunity.

Join us **Wed, Mar 20 (7:00 p.m.)** for our Lenten midweek worship.

Topic: **“Prayer and Fasting”** – We grow in our relationship with Christ by communicating with him, and we learn more about him and ourselves by giving up those things that can distract us from our connection to him.