# † THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT † Lutheran Schools Sunday March 3, 2024

# **Service of Morning Prayer 9:00 a.m.**

**CHORAL PRELUDE** 

All are Welcome in This Place

Abe Cáceres

All are welcome in this place. Each of us has a space because God's amazing grace turns sinners into saints in this place.

All are welcome, have no fear. You won't be judged; we're all sinners here.

All are welcome. Say "Amen!" Come and never be lonely again!

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!

I once was lost, but now I'm found. Was blind but now I see...

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**OPENING HYMN** (Congregation rising)

How Great Thou Art

LSB Hymn 801

#### **INVOCATION and OPENING VERSICLES**

- P In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P O Lord, open my lips.
- C And my mouth will declare Your praise.
- P Glorify the Lord with me and let us exalt His name together.
- C O come, let us worship Him.

#### **PSALM OF THE DAY**

(from Psalm 19)

- A The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of His hands.
- C Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they display knowledge.
- A There is no speech or language where their voice is not heard.
- C Their voice goes out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world.
- A The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul.
- C The statutes of the Lord are trustworthy, making wise the simple.
- A The commands of the Lord are radiant, giving light to the eyes.
- C The fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever.
- A Keep Your servant from willful sins; may they not rule over me.
- C May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in Your sight, O Lord, my rock and my Redeemer.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray:
- O God, it is Your glory to be merciful at all times. Be gracious when we have gone astray from Your ways, and bring us back with clean hearts and renewed faith so that we cling to the unchanging truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

SELECT CHOIR Go Down, Moses Thomas Keesecker

When Israel was in Egypt's land, let my people go;
oppressed so hard they could not stand, let my people go.

Go down, Moses, way down in Egypt's land. Tell old Pharaoh to let my people go.
The Lord told Moses what to do, let my people go;
to lead the children of Israel through, let my people go...
They journeyed on at God's command, let my people go;
and came at length to Canaan's land, let my people go...
Oh, let us all from bondage flee, let my people go...
and let us all in Christ be free, let my people go...

#### **OLD TESTAMENT 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. 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, <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.  $^8$ Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy.  $^9$ 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 servant, 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 servant, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

**EPISTLE** 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.

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**VERSE** (Congregation rising)

- P Return to the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful,
- C slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

GOSPEL John 2:13-22

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 2nd 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 This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**HYMN OF THE DAY** He Lives (sung by the Select Choir) Rev. Alfred H. Ackley I serve a risen Savior, He's in the world today: I know that He is living, whatever men may say. I see His hand of mercy, I hear His voice of cheer, and just the time I need Him, He's always near. He lives, He lives! Christ Jesus lives today! He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way. He lives, He lives, salvation to impart! You ask me how I know He lives? He lives within my heart! In all the world around me I see His loving care; And though my heart grows weary, I never will despair. I know that He is leading through all the stormy blast; The day of His appearing will come at last... Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian, lift up your voice and sing eternal hallelujahs to Jesus Christ, the King! The Hope of all who seek Him, the Help of all who find, none other is so loving, so good and kind... © 1933/1961 Curb Word Music, CCLI License No. 1845048

**SERMON** "The Resurrection Makes the Difference" Rev. Dr. Robert Hartwell

#### **THE APOSTLES' CREED** (Congregation rising)

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.

#### **PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

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# THE CHAPEL SCHOOL AWARD/COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING/CHORAL VOLUNTARY

Jesus, my Lord, let me be near You; by Your own word help me to hear You.

Jesus, my Lord, lead me to love You, nothing more dear, no one above You.

All through the day, sisters and brothers, Yours we will be, caring for others,

Hearing Your words, learning Your story, bearing Your cross, sharing Your glory.

Teach us to know seeing from blindness, help us to show ev'rywhere kindness.

Jesus, our Lord, lead us and guide us, best of all friends, always beside us.

#### **OFFERING HYMN** (Congregation rising)

(LSB Hymn 767)

Jesus, remember when You come into Your kingdom. (repeat)

## **COLLECT OF THE DAY and LORD'S PRAYER**

- P Almighty God, the fount of all wisdom, by Your Holy Spirit enlighten those who teach and those who learn, that rejoicing in the knowledge of Your truth, we may worship You and serve You from generation to generation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son our Lord, how lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.
- C Amen.
- P Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:
- 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.

#### **BENEDICTION**

- 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.

CLOSING HYMN

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**LSB Hymn 861** 

#### **DISMISSAL**

- P Go in peace to serve the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE** Slane Clay Christiansen

# Service of Holy Communion 10:45 a.m.

**CHORAL PRELUDE** 

He Lives (text on page 3)
Go Down, Moses (text on page 2)

Rev. Alfred H. Ackley Thomas Keesecker

**OPENING HYMN** (Congregation rising) How Great Thou Art (v. 1-3) LSB **Hymn 801** 

#### INVOCATION and CONFESSION

- 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 Gracious God, have mercy on us. In Your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by Your Spirit so that we may live and serve You in newness of life, to the honor and glory of Your holy name; through Jesus Christ 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 servant 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.

**HYMN** (LSB Hymn 801, v. 4)

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!

Then I shall bow in humble adoration and there proclaim: "My God, how great Thou art!" Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee: How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

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**HYMN OF THE DAY** 

Go to Dark Gethsemane

**LSB Hymn 436** 

# **THE APOSTLES' CREED** (Congregation rising)

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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.

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#### **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **OFFERING/VOLUNTARY**

Gethsemane

Uehlein/Lang

# **OFFERING HYMN** (Congregation rising)

(LSB Hymn 767)

Jesus, remember when You come into Your kingdom. (repeat)

## **† HOLY COMMUNION †**

#### **PREFACE**

- 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.
- P It is truly good, right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many, that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the Paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:
- C Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might; heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

# THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

#### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

#### **AGNUS DEI**

- P Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.
- C Lord, have mercy upon us and grant us Your peace.
- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.

#### **DISTRIBUTION HYMN**

Jesus, Lead Thou On

**LSB Hymn 718** 

As you come forward, you will receive the bread in your hand (please ask for "gluten-free" if desired); then take the wine in the individual cup from the tray. White grape juice is available in the center of the tray. After drinking, place empty cups in the second tray.

# **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER** (Congregation rising)

- A Compassionate God, You have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage, that our fasting may reflect a hunger for justice, our acts of kindness promote peace, and our prayers ascend from grateful hearts; through Jesus Christ, Your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
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#### **BENEDICTION**

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#### **COMMUNION STATEMENT**

Village Lutheran Church welcomes to Holy Communion those baptized Christians who:  $\bot$ Know Jesus Christ as their Savior (*John 20:31*);  $\bot$ Recognize that the body and blood of Christ are truly present in the bread and wine (*1 Cor. 11:29*);  $\bot$ Are able to examine themselves and repent of their sins (*1 Cor. 11:28*); and  $\bot$ Look to God's Holy Spirit for help in living the Christian life (*Col. 1:10*). Persons not receiving Communion may come forward to receive a blessing.

Participants in the Service:

9:00 10:45

**Lector** Katie Vogt George Pietarinen

**Asst. Minister** Michael Schultz George Pietarinen

Youth Asst. Violet Linn

Altar Care Anton DeRosa

**Usher Team** Anton DeRosa Kathy Coffey

Mark Runge John Ansorge Richard Graham Elaine Podszus

Fred Swain

**Sexton** Henry Podoll

**Refreshments** Chapel School faculty and staff

## Stewardship Reflection

Offering received last week: \$3,739
Offering needed weekly to meet budget: \$6,860
Offering received to date: \$235,686
Offering needed to date: \$240,100

## Text-to-Give Update

VLC has a NEW number for donations by text: 833-685-4130

To securely make a gift, text your gift AMOUNT to 833-685-4130. Make sure to use the dollar sign before the amount (*for example*: \$100 VLC). If this is your first time you will be asked to register with a credit/debit card. Save this number to your smart phone for future giving.

# **News and Notes:**

**Flowers in the Chancel** are given to the glory of God, in thanksgiving for the faculty and staff of The Chapel School, and in celebration of the birthday of Sunny Pettinati.

**The Saturday service** has re-started this weekend and will continue at 5:30 p.m. through the end of June.

**Lutheran Schools Sunday -** We welcome The Chapel School Select Choir to sing at the 9:00 service and the beginning of the 10:45 service. The Chapel School Award is also being presented to Dr. Elizabeth (Betty) Geiling at 9:00. Thanks to the faculty and staff for hosting coffee hour. God bless The Chapel School as we continue to celebrate through the week.

**Easter Baskets** – This annual service project for community children will run from **March 2 through March 17**. Please pick up an empty basket from the table in the back of the sanctuary, fill it with some of the suggested items, wrap it in cellophane, and return to the church for delivery. Filled baskets must be returned no later than Sunday, March 17.

**Midweek Lenten** worship is offered each Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. with a service of evening prayer. On **March 6**, we will focus on "The Fourth Commandment: Putting Parents in Their Place."

**Organ Recital** – At The Reformed Church of Bronxville (180 Pondfield Road) on Friday, **March 8, at 7:00 p.m.** The pipe organ has just been restored, and the public is invited to enjoy a performance by NYC organist David Enlow, including a live improvisation on a theme submitted by an audience member. There is a freewill offering, with a suggested donation of \$20.

**Daylight Savings Time** begins next weekend. Clocks will "spring ahead" one hour overnight on Saturday, March 9.

**Children's Petite Jardin,** with games, crafts and prizes, is the part of Gathering of Friends especially designed for children. It will be held at VLC/TCS on **Saturday, March 9**, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Admission is \$20 per family.

**Summer Camp Open House** – Anyone interested in learning more about our summer programs can stop by in person on **Saturday, March 9**, between 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. To register or find more information online, go to <u>TheChapelSchool.org</u>.

**The Lunch Bunch Spring Luncheon** will be on **Tuesday, March 12**, featuring music by local artist Jeannie Claire. Arrival time is 11:30 a.m., with lunch at noon followed by the program. In order to plan for food and set-up, **please RSVP** no later than Sunday, March 10. Make a note on the back of the Attendance Form or contact the church office at 914-337-0207, x1003 or <u>KRapillo@VLC-NY.org</u>

**Gathering of Friends** – Our annual gala in support of VLC/TCS is **Friday, March 15**, at Lake Isle Country Club in Eastchester. This year's co-chairs are school secretary Maura Condolff and music teacher/drama director Kate Marino, who have planned *Le Jardin des Rêves* (Garden of Dreams) to complement our overall theme of "Hope in the Lord."

Cocktails at 7:00 p.m., followed by a live auction and dinner at 8:00 p.m. Get your tickets now! Go to Gathering-of-Friends.com or call 914-337-0207 x1040.

❖ The Garden of Dreams Raffle is \$200 each and only 50 tickets will be sold. One winner will take home \$3,000. This is a great way to share in the event, even if you cannot attend. Tickets available during coffee hour February 4 through March 3 or online.

**Festival of Workshops:** This Atlantic District event for church workers and lay leaders was hosted by us last year. Offering over 30 workshops for many kinds of ministry areas, this year's festival will be at SUNY Maritime College in the Bronx on **Saturday, March 16**, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:10 p.m. Registration is \$35/person (or \$40 after March 3), including lunch. Explore the offerings and register yourself at <u>AD-LCMS.org</u>

**Easter Flowers:** Decorate our sanctuary by ordering Easter lilies, hyacinths, daffodils or tulips for \$20 per pot. Flowers may be given in memory or honor of loved ones and taken home after worship, if desired. Use the order form in church or contact the church office at 914-337-0207 x1003 or <a href="mailto:KRapillo@VLC-NY.org">KRapillo@VLC-NY.org</a>. Orders must be placed by **Sunday, March 17.** 

**SOUP KITCHEN** – Prepare food in aluminum trays (available at the Reception desk) and drop-off in the parking lot from 12:00-1:00. Please go to our church web site in advance to sign up and indicate what food you will prepare. The next date is **Wednesday, March 20**. Contact Katie Bukofzer at <a href="mailto:etakwhit@aol.com">etakwhit@aol.com</a>.

**Parent Community Night** – Once a month we get together for food, community, and discussion of our callings to raise our children in faith. The next meeting is **Thursday**, **March 21**, **from 6-7 p.m. in the Friendship Room**. Bring some food to share as you are able, or simply join Pastor Mark and the group.

**Good News Coffee House** – As we enter into Holy Week, Frank Rendo will be singing on **Saturday, March 23**. Doors open at 7:00 p.m. and the concert begins at 7:30 p.m. Admission is \$10/adult, \$5/student. For more information, contact Charlie Eisenberg at <a href="mailto:CEisenberg1@gmail.com">CEisenberg1@gmail.com</a>

**Prayer Conference Call** – Please note that there will be no conference call in March (during Holy Week). Please join us again in April to pray for the needs of the world.

We need your help to put on our Easter Breakfast! Easter Sunday is March 31. Help us share the joy of Easter during coffee hour by donating at least one item for the continental breakfast. Volunteers are also needed to help set-up and clean-up. Sign up on the bulletin board in the MPR or speak to Coffee Hour Coordinator Warren Wong.

**MUSIC MINISTRY** - Rehearsals this week are as follows:

- High School Choir rehearse Sunday, March 10, at 10:15 a.m.
- Village Bells rehearse Wednesday, March 6, at 6:00 p.m.
- Youth Choir rehearse Thursday, March 7, at 7:00 p.m.
- Chancel Choir rehearse Thursday, March 7, at 7:30 p.m.; Sunday, March 10, at 8:40 a.m.

For more information, contact Minister of Music Deb Reiss at <a href="mailto:DReiss@VLC-NY.org">DReiss@VLC-NY.org</a> or 914-337-0207, x1018.

**Youth News:** Voyagers (Grades 3-6) meet Thursday, March 7, at 6:00 p.m.; Lifers (Grades 7-8) Confirmation class Sunday, March 3, and Dinner Talk Thursday, March 7, at 6:00 p.m.; Crusaders (Grades 9-12) Donuts & Discussion on Sunday, March 3.

**Wednesday Bible Study** – Our new topic for the spring is the parables of Jesus. We will begin on March 6 with a new look at "The Good Samaritan."

**Prayer Line:** We pray for the sick and those experiencing any kind of difficulty: Robert Barney, Maxine Britt, Jocelyn Buggy, Tabatha Clark, Zack Comeford, Sonya Davenport, Nicholas DePierro, Rev. Rudy DeRosa, Eleanor Escherich, Francisca Febus, Faith Forliano, Tommy Grissmeyer, Tracie Hill, Elijah Hylton, Nancy Hylton, Eleanor James, Carver Kroeger, Ralph Kuhn, Merline Leon, Joseph Leonard, David Mullen, Rev. Roberto Munoz, Isaiah Nieves, Steven Perotto, Sunny Pettinati, Louise Podszus, Mason Rebuquiao, Reese Rebuquiao, Chloe Runge, Irmgard Schoene, Marian Terenzio, Stephen Walsh

**Bereavement Prayer Line:** We pray for those who are grieving the loss of a loved one.

- † **Dan Bolles**, graduate of Concordia-NY and friend to many in the community, passed away on February 8, 2024
- † Margo McKay, sister of Sonya Davenport, passed away on February 6, 2024

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