

# EVENING WORSHIP



Ash Wednesday | February 14, 2024 at 6:30 PM | Christ the King Lutheran

## GATHER

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE

White as Snow

Jon Foreman

WELCOME

INVOCATION

We gather for worship to practice joy:

not because our lives are perfect, but because joy is resilient,

and is God's gift for every season and the wellspring at the heart of our faith.

In the name of the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, who makes beautiful things out of the dust.

**Amen**

GATHERING SONG

Bless Now, O God, the Journey

ELW 326



1 Bless now, O God, the jour - ney that all your peo - ple make,  
2 Bless so - journ - ers and pil - grims who share this wind - ing way;  
3 Di - vine e - ter - nal lov - er, you meet us on the road.



the path through noise and si - lence, the way of give and take.  
your hope burns through the ter - rors, your love sus - tains the day.  
We wait for lands of prom - ise where milk and hon - ey flow,



The trail is found in des - ert and winds the moun - tain round,  
We yearn for ho - ly free - dom while of - ten we are bound;  
but wait - ing not for plac - es, you meet us all a - round.



then leads be - side still wa - ters, the road where faith is found.  
to - geth - er we are seek - ing the road where faith is found.  
Our cov - e - nant is writ - ten on roads, as faith is found.

## GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

# WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, silence, preaching, and song.

ACCLAMATION Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil ELW 512

All may rise in body or spirit to welcome God's word among us.

Lord, let my heart be good soil, o-pen to the seed of your word.

Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is un-der-stood.

When my heart is hard, break the stone a - way. When my heart is cold,

warm it with the day. When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.

Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart be good soil.

GOSPEL Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

**The gospel is announced.**

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said to the disciples:] <sup>1</sup>"Beware of practicing your piety before others in order to be seen by them; for then you have no reward from your Father in heaven. <sup>2</sup>"So whenever you give alms, do not sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, so that they may be praised by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. <sup>3</sup>But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, <sup>4</sup>so that your alms may be done in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. <sup>5</sup>"And whenever you pray, do not be like the hypocrites; for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, so that they may be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they

have received their reward. <sup>6</sup>But whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. <sup>16</sup>And whenever you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces so as to show others that they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. <sup>17</sup>But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, <sup>18</sup>so that your fasting may be seen not by others but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. <sup>19</sup>Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; <sup>20</sup>but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. <sup>21</sup>For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

**The gospel concludes:**

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

MESSAGE

Pastor Sarah Anderson

Silence for reflection follows the message.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Be Thou My Vision

ELW 793

All may rise in body or spirit to proclaim the word of God in song.



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;  
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;  
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,  
 4 Light of my soul, af - ter vic - to - ry won,



nought be all else to me, save that thou art:  
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord.  
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:  
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O heav - en's Sun!



thou my best thought both by day and by night,  
 Thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tow'r,  
 thou and thou on - ly, the first in my heart,  
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.  
 raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.  
 great God of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.  
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

## INVITATION TO LENT

Friends in Christ, today with the whole church we enter the time of remembering Jesus' passover from death to life, and our life in Christ is renewed.

As disciples of Jesus,  
we are called to a discipline that contends against evil  
and resists whatever leads us away from love of God and neighbor.  
You are invited, therefore, to the discipline of Lent—  
self-examination and repentance, prayer and fasting, sacrificial giving and works of love—  
strengthened by the gifts of word and sacrament.  
Let us continue our journey through these forty days to the great Three Days  
of Jesus' death and resurrection.

## CONFESSION OF SIN

People of God,  
the Merciful One already knows everything we confess.  
By naming our sins and hearing words of forgiveness,  
we are drawn deeper into relationship with God and one another.  
Let's bring before God what we have done wrong and what we've failed to do,  
trusting that we will receive the joy of being forgiven.

### **Silence.**

God of abundant goodness,  
**we have hurt those we love,  
those far from us, ourselves, and your creation  
by what we do and by what we neglect.  
We cling to disappointments, judgments,  
and failures and refuse to enjoy what you give.  
We are too content when injustice, violence, and hardship plague our neighbors.  
We ignore the gift of your presence in times both tragic and triumphant.  
Forgive us for what we have done and for what we have failed to do.  
Pour out on us the joy of your presence and heal what we have harmed.**

Restore us, O God, and let your anger depart from us.  
**Hear us, O God, for your mercy is great.**

## IMPOSITION OF ASHES

Almighty God, you have created us out of the dust of the earth.  
May these ashes be a sign of our mortality and penitence, reminding us  
that only by the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ are we given eternal life;  
through the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen**

**All may come forward to receive the ashes, hearing these words:**  
Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return.

## SONG

## Remember That You Are Dust

ACS 919

1\* 2

Re - mem - ber that you are dust, and to  
dust you shall re - turn.

\* May be sung in canon

## SONG

## Beautiful Things

ACS 925

1 All this pain; I won - der if I'll  
2 All this earth; . . . could all that is  
3 All a - round, . . . hope is spring - ing

ev - er find my way. I won - der if my  
lost ev - er be found? . . . Could a gar - den  
up from this old ground. . . . Out of cha - os,

life could real - ly change at all.  
come up from this ground at all?  
life is be - ing found in you.

*Refrain*

You make beau-ti-ful things, you make beau-ti - ful things out of the dust.

You make beau - ti - ful things, you make beau-ti -

ful things out of us.

**After those who desire ashes have received them, the leader continues:**

Accomplish in us, O God, the work of your salvation,  
**that we may show forth your glory in the world.**

By the cross and passion of your Son, our Savior,  
**bring us with all your saints to the joy of his resurrection.**

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.

**Amen**

LORD'S PRAYER

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

All may greet each other with a sign of Christ's peace.

OFFERING

To Dust  
Sanctuary Choir

Karen Marroli

**An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.**

WAYS TO GIVE



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OFFERTORY

Let This Season Be

Edwards



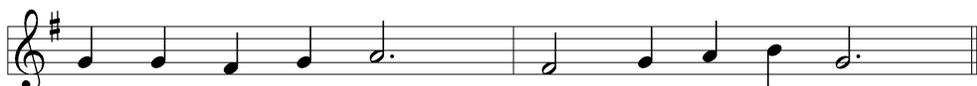
1 Let this sea - son be spring - time of the soul,  
As we fol - low Christ, pon - der - ing the cost,  
2 As a grain of wheat falls in - to the earth,  
Dai - ly, we re - call our bap - tis - mal flood



time to be re - newed, bro - ken hearts made whole.  
may we risk our lives, tak - ing up our cross. *Refrain*  
dies, then ris - es new: pain leads to re - birth.  
of - fered by the Lamb: Christ, who shed his blood. *Refrain*



*Refrain*  
Je - sus in our hearts; walk toward Eas - ter's goal.



Let this sea - son be spring - time of the soul.

OFFERING PRAYER

**Come, Lord Jesus, be our guest; and let these gifts to us be blessed.  
When buried fear keeps us apart, your seed of joy blooms in our hearts.  
Amen**

# SEND

God blesses us and sends us to join God's mission in the world.

BLESSING

The One who wove joy throughout the whole cosmos weaves joy within your own heart.  
The One who experienced all our human joys and sorrows travels right beside you.  
The One who whispers joy to our hearts is present within you.  
You are blessed in the name of †God, Holy Three in One.

**Amen**

SENDING SONG

Savior, When in Dust to You

ELW 601



1 Sav-ior, when in dust to you low we bow in hom - age due;  
2 By your help - less in - fant years, by your life of want and tears,  
3 By your hour of dire de - spair, by your ag - o - ny of prayer,  
4 By your deep ex - pir - ing groan, by the sad se - pul - chral stone,



when, re - pen - tant, to the skies scarce we lift our weep - ing eyes;  
by your days of deep dis - tress in the sav - age wil - der - ness,  
by the cross, the nail, the thorn, pierc - ing spear, and tor - turing scorn,  
by the vault whose dark a - bode held in vain the ris - ing God,



oh, by all your pains and woe suf - fered once for us be - low,  
by the dread, mys - te - rious hour of the in - sult - ing tempt - er's pow'r,  
by the gloom that veiled the skies o'er the dread - ful sac - ri - fice,  
oh, from earth to heav'n re - stored, might - y, re - as - cend - ed Lord,



bend - ing from your throne on high, hear our pen - i - ten - tial cry!  
turn, oh, turn a fa - v'ring eye; hear our pen - i - ten - tial cry!  
lis - ten to our hum - ble sigh; hear our pen - i - ten - tial cry!  
bend - ing from your throne on high, hear our pen - i - ten - tial cry!

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Practice Joy.

**Thanks be to God.**

## WORSHIP LEADERS + PLANNING TEAM

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## IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Joannie Anderson, William Bearden, Ron Cota, Mark Edwards, Carolyn Erkitz,  
Joyce Fuhrman, Joe Miskowic, Aubrey Olson, Bruce Phelps, Bill Stone

## WE COMFORT THE GRIEVING

For the family and loved ones mourning the death of Bob Dykstra

## WE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR

Marilyn Eibs, Leila Fischer, Bob Noer, Billie Ward, Cliff Weiss, Kao Yang



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