

Sunday, March 10, 2024 Fourth Sunday in Lent

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Worship Plan for Sunday, March 10, 2024

Fourth Sunday in Lent LBW Setting Two without Communion

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (LBW p. 77)

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church 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.

Amen

OPENING HYMN Canticle of the Turning (Insert in bulletin)

GREETING (LBW p. 78)

KYRIE (LBW p. 78)

PRAYER OF THE DAY (LBW p. 82)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray. . . .

God of all mercy, by your power to heal and to forgive, graciously cleanse us from all sin and make us strong; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen

FIRST LESSON: Numbers 21:4-9

⁴From Mount Hor [the Israelites] set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. ⁵The people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food." ⁶Then the LORD sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. ⁷The people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned by speaking against the LORD and against you; pray to the LORD to take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. ⁸And the LORD said to Moses, "Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live." ⁹So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22

¹Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, and his mercy endures forever.

²Let all those whom the LORD has redeemed proclaim that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe.

³He gathered them out of the lands; from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

¹⁷Some were fools and took to rebellious ways; they were afflicted because of their sins.

 18 They abhorred all manner of food and drew near to death's door.

¹⁹Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress.

²⁰He sent forth his word and healed them and saved them from the grave.

²¹Let them give thanks to the LORD for his mercy and the wonders he does for his children.

²²Let them offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving and tell of his acts with shouts of joy.

SECOND LESSON: Ephesians 2:1-10

¹You were dead through the trespasses and sins ²in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. ³All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. ⁴But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us ⁵ even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—⁶ and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, 7so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ⁸For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God—⁹not the result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹⁰ For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

SING JESUS LOVES ME AND CHILDREN'S SERMON

LENTEN VERSE (LBW p. 83)

GOSPEL: John 3:14-21

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 3rd chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ¹⁴"Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. ¹⁶"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. ¹⁷"Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

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¹⁸Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. ¹⁹And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. ²⁰For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. ²¹But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON "But God"

HYMN OF THE DAY Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross (Insert in bulletin)

APOSTLES' CREED (LBW p. 85)
THE PRAYERS
LORD'S PRAYER
OFFERING HYMN - Create in me a clean heart...

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.

Merciful Father,

we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

SENDING HYMN "Lift High the Cross" LBW 377

BLESSING (LBW p. 97)

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.

Three Fold Amen (Sung)

DISMISSAL

Go in peace and serve your neighbor.

Yes we will. Thanks be to God.

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Dennis Riswold—Friend of the Community
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Keith Fawcett—Kyla Fawcett's (Nesheim) father-in-law
Anita (Ana) Reategui—Friend of Jeff and Joan Boldt
Mattias Warne—Friend of the Community
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Marie Pazour— Mother of Karen Doom
Caroline Vollan—Aunt of Jimmie Vollan
Darrel Bonrud—Friend of the Community
Family of James Langloss
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Our Response to God's Love

Baltic: Mar 3: Attendance 102; General Fund \$2884.00 Noisy Can

\$51.90 Lent Offering \$48.00

Jerome Johnson—Cousin of Dale Erickson

East: Mar 3: Attendance 42; General Fund \$3541.00 Noisy Can \$66.04

Feb 21: Lent Offering \$ \$56.00 Feb 28: Lent Offering \$93.00

MARCH NOISY CAN

Baltic: Vacation Bible School **East**: Baltic Community Garden

LENTEN OFFERING

Baltic: Vacation Bible School

East: Baltic Food Bank

EASTER OFFERING

Baltic: Vacation Bible School East: Vacation Bible School

2024 Lenten Worship Schedule "The Lord is My Shepherd"

Wed Mar 13	5:30pm Meal—Spaghetti, salad, breadstick 6:30 pm Lenten Service @ EN with Pastor Jared Rakness
Wed Mar 20	5:30pm Meal—BBQ's, beans, chips & dip 6:30 pm Lenten Service @ Baltic with Pastor Laura Philips
Thu Mar 28	6:30 pm Maundy Thursday Service @ East
Fri Mar 29	6:30 pm Good Friday Service @ Baltic
Sun Mar 31	7:00 am Easter Sunrise Service @ East 9:00 am Easter Sunrise Service @ Baltic

Sunday, March 10, 2024

Baltic 9:00 Worship and Live streamed on Facebook @

BalticLutheranChurch

East Nidaros 10:30 Worship

Things Happening Week of March 10th

Mon Mar 11 6:30pm Bible Study in Baltic

Wed Mar 13 Lenten Service @ East 5:30 meal, 6:30pm service

6:30-7:30 Food Bank Open

Sunday, March 17, 2024

Baltic 9am Worship

10:30 Worship and Livestreamed on Facebook

East Nidaros @ EastNidarosLutheranChurch

Fellowship Coffee and Treats

BALTIC:

Mar 10 Kaye & Terry Snow

Manda & Marc Sheaffer

EAST:

Mar 10 Dave & Connie Karl

Deb Larson
(Birthday Cake)

BALTIC:

Mar 17 Pat Brende

& 24 Lindsey & Erik Comes

EAST:

Mar 17 Rob & Katie Siemonsma & 24 Sara & Scott Grunewaldt

EAST:

Mar 31 Alyssa Franz

& Apr 7 Louie & Karen Doom