

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.

JOHN 3:16



Sunday, March 5, 2023

Second Sunday in Lent

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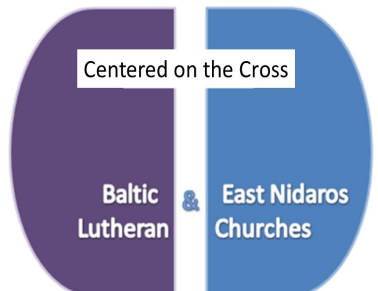
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Worship Plan for Sunday, March 5, 2023

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LBW Holy Communion Setting Two

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

ENTRANCE HYMN *God Loved the World* (pg 3)

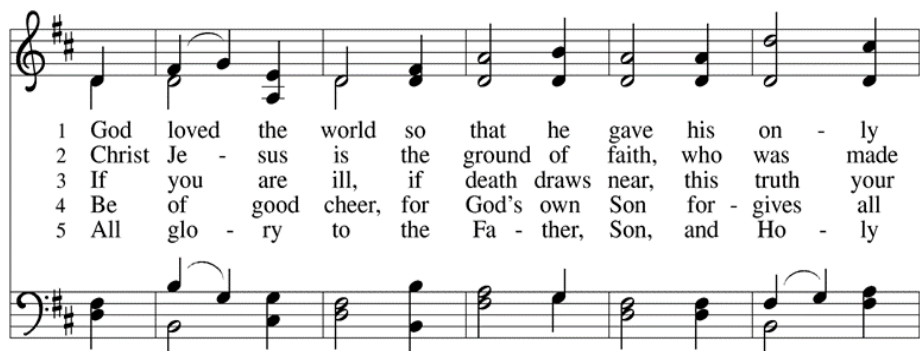
GREETING (LBW p. 78)

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

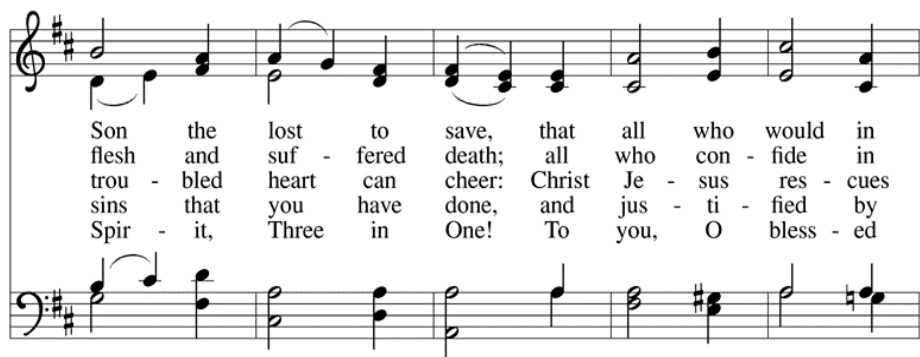
And also with you.

KYRIE (LBW p. 78)

God Loved the World



1 God loved the world so that he gave his on - ly
 2 Christ Je - sus is the ground of faith, who was made
 3 If you are ill, if death draws near, this truth your
 4 Be of good cheer, for God's own Son for - gives all
 5 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly



Son the lost to save, that all who would in
 flesh and suf - fered death; all who con - fide in
 trou - bled heart can cheer: Christ Je - sus res - cues
 sins that you have done, and jus - ti - fied by
 Spir - it, Three in One! To you, O bless - ed



him be - lieve should ev - er - last - ing life re - ceive.
 Christ a - lone are built on this chief cor - ner - stone.
 us from death; that is the firm - est ground of faith.
 Je - sus' blood, your bap - tism grants the high - est good.
 Trin - i - ty, be praise now and e - ter - nal - ly!

Text: *Gesangbuch*, Bollhagen, 1791; tr. August Crull, 1846–1923, alt.
 Music: ROCKINGHAM OLD, Edward Miller, 1731–1807, adapt.

PRAYER OF THE DAY (LBW p. 82)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray. . . .

O God, our leader and guide, in the waters of baptism you bring us to new birth to live as your children. Strengthen our faith in your promises, that by your Spirit we may lift up your life to all the world through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

(East Only)

Special Music by Olivia Gill & Grace Weiland “Pie Jesu”

(English Translation: Merciful Jesus, who takest away the sins of the world, grant them rest. O Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, grant them eternal rest.)

FIRST LESSON: Genesis 12:1-4a

¹The LORD said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. ²I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.” ^{4a}So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 121

¹I lift up my eyes to the hills; from where is my help to come?

²**My help comes from the LORD, the maker of heaven and earth.**

³He will not let your foot be moved and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.

⁴**Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep;**

⁵the LORD himself watches over you; the LORD is your shade at your right hand,

⁶**so that the sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.**

⁷The LORD shall preserve you from all evil; it is he who shall keep you safe.

⁸**The LORD shall watch over your going out and your coming in, from this time forth forevermore.**

SECOND LESSON: Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

¹What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? ²For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. ³For what does the scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.” ⁴Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. ⁵But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness. ¹³For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. ¹⁶For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, ¹⁷as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”) —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

JESUS LOVES ME

CHILDREN’S SERMON

LENTEN VERSE (LBW p. 83)

GOSPEL: John 3:1-17

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ²He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” ³Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from

above.”⁴ Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?”⁵ Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit.⁶ What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit.⁷ Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’⁸ The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.”⁹ Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?”¹⁰ Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?¹¹ “Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony.¹² If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things?¹³ No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man.¹⁴ And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up,¹⁵ that 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.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON Planting Seeds of Faith

HYMN OF THE DAY *We Are Baptized in Christ Jesus* (WOV 698)

BAPTISM OF CLAYTON LAWRENCE MOSER (Baltic)

***Children of the Heavenly Father* LBW # 474 verses 1&4 (Baltic)**

APOSTLES CREED (LBW p. 85) (East)

PEACE (LBW p. 86)

OFFERING HYMN-*Create in Me a Clean Heart* LBW p. 96

OFFERTORY PRAYER (LBW p. 87)

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**

DIALOGUE (LBW p. 87)

PREFACE (LBW p. 88)

SANCTUS (LBW p. 89)

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

**ALL BAPTIZED CHRISTIANS WHO CONFESS JESUS CHRIST AS LORD AND
HIS PRESENCE IN THE BREAD AND WINE ARE WELCOME TO THE LORD'S
TABLE**

LORD'S PRAYER (LBW p. 91)

DISTRIBUTION (LBW p. 91)

COMMUNION HYMNS *Lamb of God* (LBW p. 92)

***Just As I Am, without One Plea* LBW 296**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (LBW p. 94)

BLESSING (LBW p. 94)

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.

Amen

SENDING HYMN *LIFT HIGH THE CROSS* LBW 377

DISMISSAL

Go in peace and serve your neighbor.

Yes, we will. Thanks be to God.

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Encounters with Jesus

Nicodemus-March 5

The Woman at the Well-March 12

The Blind Beggar-March 19

Lazarus, Mary, and Martha-March 26

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Baltic	9:00 Worship and Live streamed on Facebook @ BalticLutheranChurch
East Nidaros	10:30 Worship

Things Happening Week of March 5th

Mon Mar 6	6:30pm Baltic Council Meeting 6:30pm Bible Study @ Baltic
Tues Mar 7	2pm Bible Study @ EN 7pm East Council Meeting
Wed Mar 8	8:30-12 East Quilting 5:30 meal; 6:30 Lenten service @ Baltic
Thur Mar 9	8:30-12 East Quilting

Sunday, March 12, 2023

Baltic	9:00 Worship
East Nidaros	10:30 am Worship and Live streamed on Facebook @ EastNidarosLutheranChurch

Fellowship Coffee and Treats

Baltic

Mar 12	Karen & John Sinding Christy & Nicholas Langland
Mar 19 & 26	Kaye & Terry Snow Karen & Garry Voelker

East Nidaros

Mar 5	Janet Leffring & Larry Hemmer and Mark & Julie Berndt
Mar 12 & 19	Dave & Connie Karl David Dyce