

The Second Reading: Deuteronomy 31:8 *read by Sam Tipton*

The Lord Himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged.

L: This is the Word of the Lord, **C: Thanks be to God.**

Children's Message: *by Pastor Eric Hanson (you may be seated)*

Message: *by Sam Tipton*

Hymn of the Day & Offering:

Offerings will be collected during the hymn of the day. Thank you also to those who give online. If you'd like to sign up for online giving please visit <http://www.stlukegoodhue.org/online-giving.html>. Children's coin offering will go toward ELCA Good Gifts serving communities in need around the world.

"Will You Come And Follow Me" #798

Vs 1: Will you come and follow me if I but call you name? Will you go where you don't know and never be the same? Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known, will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

Vs 2: Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name? Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same? Will you risk the hostile stare, should your life attract or scare? Will you let me answer pray'r in you and you in me?

Vs 3: Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name? Will you set the pris'ners free and never be the same? Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen, and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?

Vs 4: Will you love the you you hide if I but call your name? Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same? Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around, through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?

Vs 5: Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name. Let me turn and follow you and never be the same. In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show. Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

Offertory Response: *"Give Thanks" (ushers bring offerings forward)*

Give thanks with a grateful heart. Give thanks to the Holy One.

Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son.

And now let the weak say, "I am strong".

Let the poor say, "I am rich Because of what the Lord has done for us". Give thanks.

Offertory Prayer: *led by Eli Ryan*

L: Let us pray together,

C: We thank you God for gifts first given to us. For time, talents, and treasures given to us by others to steward and share. Accept these gifts from our hands as signs of our love and faithfulness and our desire to be Christ's hands and feet in our world. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Recognition of High School Class of 2024

Graduates assemble in front of Congregation. Congregation is invited to stand.

P: God of truth and knowledge, by your wisdom we are taught the way & the truth. Bless our graduates as they now finish their courses of study. Please guide Sam, Julia, Eli, Jed, Maison, Peyton, Ellie, Caleb and Gavin as they step into the next chapter of their lives. Guide them with faith, hope, and love.

C: We thank you for those who taught & worked beside them, and all who supported them along the way.

P: Walk with our graduates as they move forward in life that they may live lives of purpose, discipleship, and belonging with you by their side.

C: Strengthen their many talents and skills, instill in them a confidence in the future you provide, where energies may be blessed and used for the good of all people.

P: Father, we pray that you would make this chapter of their lives a time of new beginnings, a time to remember and move on, and a time to move forward with faith.

C: May you always know that Christ is alive and goes before you to show and share His gifts with you. This is a day of new beginnings, our God is making all things new.

A Sign of the Cross & Blessing are offered to each graduate

Apostles' Creed: *led by Maison Poston (please stand as you are able)*

L: Let us confess our faith together through the words of the Apostles Creed

C: I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven & earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers: *(call and response) led by Caleb Dicke*

Let us pray for the church, for the world, and for all those in need. *A brief silence.* For the earth, our precious home. We give thanks for the diversity of plant and animal life on our planet. Empower us by your Spirit to be wise and faithful stewards of all you have made. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For the nations and those who govern. Give those in authority understanding hearts, that they work together to bring justice & peace on earth. Grant all who vote in elections wisdom & discernment. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For those in need around the world: for victims of crimes, for victims of sexual abuse and exploitation, for those who are incarcerated. For all who suffer in any way especially Keith Brown, Dolly Mensink, Judy Carpenter, Jan Benidt, Dave (Pud) Gnotke, Shawn Fredrixon, Marc Bode, Julie Marklevits, Harlan Reese, Rod Nardinger, Beth Carlson, Gage Miller, Elaine Thorland, Alex Stehr, Maria Starr Quiggle, & Perry Fitzgerald. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Assuring God, you walk with your people amid uncertainty and change. Be with our graduates on this day. We pray for Sam, Julia, Eli, Jed, Maison, Peyton, Ellie, Caleb & Gavin. Walk with them toward a holy future. May they put their feet in your steps and live as the hands and feet of Christ. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

In Jesus' name we offer these prayers to you, Lord God, trusting that you hear us, **Amen.**

Sharing the Peace: P: The peace of Christ be with you always, **C: And also with you.**

The Great Thanksgiving: P: The Lord be with you **C: And also with you** P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord. P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **C: It is right to give Him thanks & praise.**

The Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer: 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.

Meal and Hymns: *(you may be seated) communion assistants: Caleb Dicke, Gavin Schafer, & Julia Carlson*

All are welcome at this meal. We believe in the saving power of Jesus Christ through the gift of his life, death, and resurrection experienced in bread and wine. Please move forward via the center aisle. Bread is received in the hands. Wine is received by dipping the bread into the wine chalice and consuming both together. All ages are welcome to commune. Those not communing may receive a blessing by simply keeping your hands folded or extending your arms over your chest in the sign of a cross inviting blessing. For those unable to consume either wine or bread, communion is received fully in either element alone, for Christ is fully present in the meal. You may return to your seats via the side aisles after communing. Gluten-free is available, simply make the server aware of your need. Also, if you cannot come forward, but wish for communion or blessing, let the usher know it will come to you at the end.

"Shepherd Me, O God" #780

Refrain: Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants, beyond my fears, from death into life.

Vs 1: God is my shepherd, so nothing shall I want, I rest in the meadows of faithfulness and love, I walk by the quiet waters of peace. (Refrain)

Vs 2: Gently you raise me and heal my weary soul, you lead me by pathways of righteousness and truth, my spirit shall sing the music of your name. (Refrain)

Vs 3: Though I should wander the valley of death, I fear no evil, for you are at my side, your rod and your staff, my comfort and my hope. (Refrain)

Vs 4: You have set me a banquet of love in the face of hatred, crowning me with love beyond my pow'r to hold. (Refrain)

Vs 5: Surely your kindness and mercy follow me all the days of my life; I will dwell in the house of my God forevermore. (Refrain)

"There Is A Longing In Our Hearts, O God"

Refrain: There is a longing in our hearts, O Lord, for you to reveal yourself to us.
There is a longing in our hearts for love we only find in you, our God.

Vs 1: For justice, for freedom, for mercy: hear our prayer.

In sorrow, in grief: be near; hear our prayer, O God. [Refrain]

Vs 2: For wisdom, for courage, for comfort: hear our prayer.

In weakness, in fear: be near; hear our prayer, O God. [Refrain]

Vs 3: For healing, for wholeness, for new life: hear our prayer.

In sickness, in death: be near; hear our prayer, O God. [Refrain]

Vs 4: Lord, save us, take pity, light in our deepest night.

We call you; we wait: be near; hear our prayer, O God. [Refrain]

"Here I Am Lord" #574

Vs 1: I, the Lord of sea & sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in dark & sin my hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
Whom will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Refrain: Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

Vs 2: I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.

I have wept for love of them. They turn away. I will break their hearts of stone,
give them hearts for love alone. I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? [Refrain]

Vs 3: I, the Lord of wind & flame, I will tend the poor & lame. I will set a feast for them. My hand will save,
Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? [Refrain]

Communion Prayer: led by Gavin Schafer (please stand as you are able)

L: Let us pray together,

C: God of hope, you fed your people manna in the wilderness to sustain them on their journey to the
promise land. May the presence of your Son found in simple things like bread and wine sustain us as
we run, walk, stumble, and pray our way into the future you've prepared for us. Amen.

"The Blessing" sung by Katie Schafer and Michelle Matthees

Sending Hymn: "Lead Me Lord"

Chorus: Lead me, Lord, lead me, Lord, By the light of truth, To seek and to find the narrow way.
Be my way, be my truth, Be my life, my Lord, And lead me, Lord, today.

V1: Blessed are the poor in spirit Longing for their Lord. For God's coming kingdom shall be theirs.

Blessed are the sorrowing, For they shall be consoled, And the meek shall come to rule the world. [chorus]

V2: Blessed are the merciful, for mercy shall be theirs, And the pure in heart shall see their God.

Blest are they whose hunger only holiness can fill, For I say they shall be satisfied.

Final Chorus: Lead me, Lord, lead me, Lord, By the light of truth, To seek and to find the narrow way.

Be my way, be my truth, Be my life, my Lord, And lead me, Lord, today, And lead me, Lord, today.

Dismissal: led by all High School Senior Graduates

L: Go in peace to love the Lord & serve your neighbor,

C: Thanks be to God.



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Welcome & Announcements

The Easter Litany: (stand as you are able)

P: Christ is Risen! C: **Christ is Risen Indeed! Alleluia!**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light
and our salvation. C: **Amen**

Confession and Forgiveness: P: Faithful and Just God,

C: We confess that we are captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We have not
loved our sisters and brothers as you have first loved us. Forgive us, God of mercy. Let your Holy Spirit
work in us to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the abundant life given in Christ
Jesus, our risen Lord. **Amen.**

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with
Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty
God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through
faith. **C: Amen**

Gathering Hymn: "Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer" #618

Vs. 1: Guide me ever great Redeemer, pilgrim through this barren land; I am weak, but you are mighty;
hold me with your pow'rful hand: bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me now and evermore,
feed me now and evermore.

Vs. 2: Open now the crystal fountain, where the healing waters flow;
let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through: strong deliverer, strong deliverer,
shield me with your mighty arm, shield me with your mighty arm.

Vs. 3: When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside; death of death, & hell's destruction,
land me safe on Canaan's side: songs and praises, songs and praises,
I will raise forever more, I will raise forever more.

Prayer of the Day: (you may be seated) led by Julia Carlson

L: Let us pray together

C: Gracious and caring God, you bless our paths with truth and meaning. Guide us today as we are all
somehow in transition. Help us to honor our past, carry gratitude for our present, and have hope for
our future. We thank you Lord for you make all things new. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

The First Reading: Romans 12:9-21 read by Jed Ryan

⁹Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. ¹⁰Be devoted to one another in love. Honor
one another above yourselves. ¹¹Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. ¹²Be
joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. ¹³Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice
hospitality. ¹⁴Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. ¹⁵Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with
those who mourn. ¹⁶Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people
of low position. Do not be conceited. ¹⁷Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes
of everyone. ¹⁸If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone. ¹⁹Do not take revenge, my
dear friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: "It is mine to avenge; I will repay," says the Lord.
²⁰On the contrary: "If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink. In doing this,
you will heap burning coals on his head." ²¹Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

L: This is the Word of the Lord, C: **Thanks be to God.**

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