

Evangelical Lutheran Church of Durham

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March 6 , 2022 – FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

10:30 AM - Holy Communion/ Worship

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Piano Prelude - “Sarabanda” - Luigi Couperin

**Welcome - Announcements - Welcome our Guest Preacher,
Rev. James Heckman**

Introduction to Worship

Confession and Forgiveness (Stand if you are able)

In the name of God, who makes a way in the wilderness, walks with us, and guides us in our pilgrimage.

Amen.

Holy One,

we confess that we have wandered far from you: we have not trusted your promises, we have ignored your prophets in our own day, we have squandered our inheritance of grace, we have failed to recognize you in our midst.

Have mercy on us!

Forgive us and turn us again to you. Teach us to follow in your ways, assure us again of your love, and help us to love our neighbor. Amen.

Beloved in Christ, the Word draws near to you, and all who call out to God shall be saved. In Jesus, God comes to you again and against and gathers you under wings of love. In + Jesus' name, your sins are forgiven. God journeys with you and teaches you how to live in love. **Amen.**

Opening Hymn - ELW #326 - "Bless Now, O God, the Journey"

(Stand if you are able)

Greeting

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

PEOPLE: **AND ALSO WITH YOU**

Prayer of the Day

O Lord God, you led your people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide us now, so that, following your Son, we may walk safely through the wilderness of this world toward the life you alone can give, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen.*

(Please be Seated)

First Reading- Deuteronomy 26: 1-11

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me." You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

Lector: **The Word of the Lord.** PEOPLE: **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

Psalm 91: 1-2, 9-16 (read responsively)

You who dwell in the shelter of the Most High, who abide
in the shadow of the Almighty -

**²you will say to the LORD, "My Refuge and my stronghold,
my God in whom I put my trust."**

⁹Because you have made the LORD refuge,
and the Most High your habitation,

¹⁰**no evil will befall you, nor shall affliction
come near your dwelling.**

¹¹For God will give the angels charge over you,
to guard you in all your ways.

¹²**Upon their hands they will bear you up,
lest you strike your foot against a stone.**

¹³You will tread upon the lion cub and viper;
you will trample down the lion and the serpent.

¹⁴**I will deliver those who cling to me; I will uphold them,
because they know my name.**

¹⁵They will call me, and I will answer them;
I will be with them in trouble; I will rescue and honor them.

¹⁶**With long life will I satisfy them, and show them my salvation.**

Second Reading- Romans 10: 8b-13

"The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart"
(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with
your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him
from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is
justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture
says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no
distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is
generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the
Lord shall be saved."

Lector: **The Word of the Lord**

PEOPLE: **THANKS BE TO GOD**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Please stand)

ELW# 186 - "Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God"

Pastor: **The holy gospel according to Luke:**

PEOPLE: **GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.**

The Holy Gospel - Luke 4: 1-13

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'"

Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written,

'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'"

Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written,

'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you', and

'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

Pastor: **The gospel of the Lord.**

PEOPLE: **PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.**

(Be seated after the gospel)

Message/ Sermon - Rev. James Heckman

Hymn of the Day - ELW #325 - "I Want Jesus to Walk With Me"

NICENE' CREED (Please stand , if able)

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came
down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the
virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under
Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose
again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again
in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from
the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and
glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy
catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the
forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of
the world to come.**

Amen.

Prayers and Intercessions:

Pastor: Hear us, O God.

People: YOUR MERCY IS GREAT.

Sharing of the Peace

Offertory Prayer (said by Pastor)

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: AND ALSO WITH YOU.

Pastor: **Lift up your hearts.**
LORD.

People: **WE LIFT THEM TO THE**

Pastor: **Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.**

People: **IT IS RIGHT TO GIVE OUR THANKS AND PRAISE.**

Jesus' Words of Institution (said by Pastor)

The Lord's Prayer

Invitation to Communion

Pastor: **All who hunger and thirst, come. The table is ready.**

(At this time, remove the seal at the bottom of the small chalice, remove the small piece of bread. Hold it in your hand)

P: **This is the body of Christ given for you. Take and eat.** (Eat the bread)

(At this time, remove the seal above the small chalice. Hold the chalice in your hand.)

P: **This is the blood of Christ, shed for you. Take and drink.**

(Drink the wine or grape juice. Set down the small chalice for prayer.)

P: (Communion Blessing) **The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. AMEN.**

Prayer after Communion (said by Pastor)

Blessing (Pastor) : You are children of God, anointed with the oil of gladness and strengthened for the journey. Almighty God, motherly, majestic, and mighty, + bless you this day and always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn- ELW #768 - "*Lead Me, Guide Me*"

(Stand if you are able)

Dismissal:

Pastor: Go in peace. Jesus meets you on the way.

PEOPLE: **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

Organ Postlude - "Benediction" - Archangelo Corelli

Helping in Worship

Preacher	- Rev. James Heckman
Organist/Choir Director	- Carolyn Williams
Acolyte	- Addyson Mammana
Altar Guild	- Beth Snyder and Nancy Moskella
Lector	- Elizabeth Roberts
Usher	- Joe Hlavaty
Council Counting Team	- Mark Harwick and Val McGinn
Technology	- Ken Anderson
Office Secretary	- Jessica Mette
Custodian	- Dianna Streletz

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- TODAY, Sunday, March 6th - First Sunday in Lent/ Holy Communion with Rev. James Heckman
 - Next Sunday, March 13th - Second Sunday in Lent/ Holy Communion with Rev. James Heckman
 - The Adult Bible study meets from 2:00-4:00 at the home of Don Seipt and Kathy Hlavaty on Thursdays. Carpooling from the church is available.
 - MARCH BIRTHDAYS - MARCH 6th- Gladys Nicholas (88) ; MARCH 7th- Kenneth Crouse; MARCH 8th- Alaina Apgar; MARCH 11th- Brittany Froehlich and Ella Rose Michl
 - MARCH BAPTISMS - MARCH 8th - Karen Bolesta; MARCH 12th- Blake Rodd
 - Sincere thanks to everyone for all the anniversary, birthday, and get well cards and wishes you sent to us. We really appreciate your thoughtfulness.
- George & Betty Kreitz
- Also... Your sympathy cards and prayers regarding my brother Clarence Hoover Jr were greatly appreciated by my family.
- Joan Mammana
- FEBRUARY "OUTREACH OFFERINGS" will go toward playground equipment.

Please lift the following up in prayer: ...

For Healing of those in our Congregation: Michael Altemus; Joanne & David Antoni; Norma Fox; Virginia Hager; Betty and George Kreitz; Paul McGinn; Cheryl Mesko; Dot Peterman; Steven Streletz; Carolyn Williams and Joanne and Bobby Ziegenfuss.

For Healing of Friends and Family: Lynn Bailey; Ron & Kathy Ballek; Michael Barats; Jason Bigley; Kelly Bordelon; Emma Brown; Deb Carmichael; Alice Cicatiello ; Bill Corrigan; Lisa & Dave DeLorenzo; Chris Fear; Rev. Dennis Durasoff; Nancy Edelen; Chris Fear; Fred Foerster; Gerry Foran; Debbie Gardner. Ken Garey; Candie Gimbar; George & Lois James; Virginia Johnson; Mary Ellen Jonczyk; Lauren Keebler; Martine King; Chelsea Marley; Jim McAnally; Sue Odor; Lucia Otero; Lisa Pezzino; Donnie Pyne; Connie Rugen; Linda Saunders; David Sebring; Alex Sempt; Ron Steele; Jesse Stimell; Donna Storm; Russ Trauger; and Linda Wilson.

For those who are Homebound: Cleo & Ken Eck; Phyllis Lanshe; Jayne Miller; Silas Rodenbach; and Hal Taylor.

For the grieving: Dean Litzenberger; Bobby Starling; and Clarence Hoover Jr

For those in Health Care: Sara Aquino; Debbie Angstadt; Kendell Beerer; Mary Crouse; Sara Deal Den Herder; Mary Erceg; Faye Gadwell; Morgan Litz; Tanya Naska; Kristi Lee Reiman; and Sharon Streletz.