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Third Sunday in Lent

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

REFLECTION

“If he has deserved no kindness, but just the opposite, because he has maddened you with his injuries and insults, even this is no reason why you should not surround him with your affection and show him all sorts of favors.” ~ John Calvin

PRELUDE

*Trio Sonata, BWV 528
II. Andante*

J. S. Bach (1685 – 1750)

WORDS OF WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP & OPENING PRAYER

HYMN No. 504

“We Come as Guests Invited”

WIE LIEBLICH IST DER MAIEN

We come as guests invited when Jesus bids us dine,
His friends on earth united to share the bread and wine;
The bread of life is broken; the wine is freely poured
For us, in solemn token of Christ our dying Lord.

We eat and drink; receiving from Christ the grace we need,
And in our hearts believing on him by faith we feed;
With wonder and thanksgiving for love that knows no end,
We find in Jesus living our everpresent friend.

One bread is ours for sharing, one single fruitful vine,
Our fellowship declaring renewed in bread and wine:
Renewed, sustained, and given by token, sign, and word,
The pledge and seal of heaven, the love of Christ our Lord.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(In Unison)*

Lord, we always want Jesus to be patient, meek, and mild. We don't like to be the target of anger. But there are many times when bold action is required to cleanse the cancer of sinfulness from our lives. Remind us that we need to be bold in our faith; first examining our lives and turning from vicious anger. Unlike Jesus, we are slow to move from anger to forgiveness. Help us turn toward confidence in your all-sustaining love and grace and the reality of forgiveness.

(Time of silent reflection. Think about something you want to turn from during Lent, or something you want to turn toward.)

Lord, hear our prayer. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

God's life turned towards humanity in Jesus, even before people repented and turned our lives toward God. Trust the Lord who reaches out to us in grace.

In Jesus we are forgiven. Amen.

HYMN NO. 581

"Glory Be to the Father"

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
And to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*Introduction to February Foundations
3rd Grade Sunday School Class – Psalm 23*

Susan Jones

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Numbers 22:22-30

SPECIAL MUSIC

"God Has Work For Us To Do"

Mark A. Miller

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Mark 11:15-19

SERMON

"The Seven Deadly Sins: Wrath"

Rev. William Schram

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*4th, 5th, 6th Grade Sunday School Classes (Lauren Restaino, Sunday School Teacher)
The Apostles' Creed*

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

JOYS AND CONCERNS

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING

HYMN NO. 592

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

SANCTUS

Holy, holy, holy, God of power and God of might!
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed, blessed, blessed is one who comes in the name of God.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!
Hosanna in the highest!

CONSECRATION & THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Kdg. & 1st Grade Sunday School Class (Susan Jones, Sunday School Teacher)
will lead in the saying of The 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

HYMN NO. 555

“O Lamb of God”

LAND OF REST

O Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;
Have mercy on us, Lamb of God,
And grant us your peace.

SHARING

Today the 2nd Grade Sunday School Class (Amy Kolb, Sunday School Teacher) will be sharing the Sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time at home with their families.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Jesus, we thank you for turning toward us, God in human flesh. We thank you for the guidance, teaching and promised grace that helps us turn from all that hurts and warps lives, ours and others, away from how you would have us live. As we gladly turned toward this table of renewal, help us gladly turn towards you with love and towards others with compassion. Amen.

HYMN NO. 297, St. 3 & 4

“In Christ Called to Baptize”

ST. DENIO

In Christ called to witness, by grace we will preach
The lifegiving gospel; God’s love we will teach.
By grace may our living give proof to our praise
In costly compassion reflecting Christ’s ways.

Unite us, anoint us, O Spirit of love.
For you are within us, around us, above.
Equip us for service with gifts you bestow.
In Christ is our calling. In Christ may we grow.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Finale on “Aurelia”

arr. Janet Linker

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Rev. William Schram
Rev. Barbara Jo Piercy
Noel A. Piercy
Susan Jones
Paul Salierno, Cantor

Vocal Ensemble: Erin Bogert, Adriana Piercy, Micki Hardenberg, Noel A. Piercy
Ray Liptak, AV Engineer

SERMON QUESTIONS FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 7TH

1. What kinds of things make you angry?
2. What is justifiable anger?
3. What are appropriate ways to express anger?
4. When does anger cross the line into sinful behavior?

5. What are helpful ways to deal with anger?
6. What are the benefits for yourself when you forgive another?