





# **MIDWEEK LENT 1**

Wednesday, March 12, 2025 6:30pm CDT

# ORDER FOR WORSHIP

**PRELUDE** St. Clement John Eggert

**OPENING HYMN** ELW #561

# Joyous Light of Heavenly Glory



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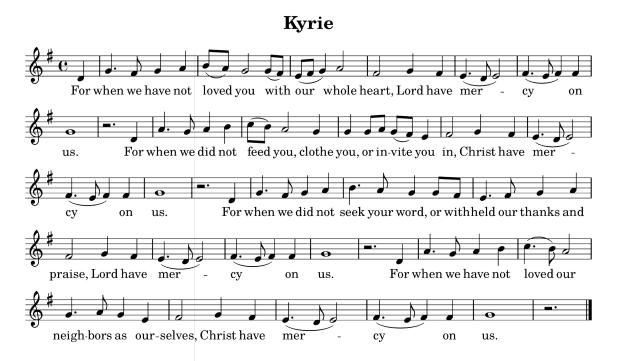
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### **GREETING**

The Lord be with you.

### And also with you.

**KYRIE** Dr. Eddie Kim



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### PRAYER OF THE DAY

We give thanks to you, holy God,
through Jesus Christ your dear Son,
that you have graciously protected us today.
We ask you to forgive us all our sins,
where we have done wrong,
and graciously to protect us tonight.
Into your hands we commend ourselves:
our bodies, our souls, and all that is ours.
Let your holy angels be with us,
so that the wicked foe may have no power over us.

### **CATECHISM - THE LORD'S PRAYER**

### THE SECOND PETITION

Amen.

Your kingdom come.

What does this mean?

In fact, God's kingdom comes on its own without our prayer, but we ask in this prayer that it may also come to us.

How does this come about?

Whenever our heavenly Father gives us his Holy Spirit, so that through the Holy Spirit's grace we believe God's holy word and live godly lives here in time and hereafter in eternity.

### THE THIRD PETITION

Your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

What does this mean?

In fact, God's good and gracious will comes about without our prayer, but we ask in this prayer that it may also come about in and among us.

How does this come about?

Whenever God breaks and hinders every evil scheme and will—as are present in the will of the devil, the world, and our flesh—that would not allow us to hallow God's name and would prevent the coming of his kingdom, and instead whenever God strengthens us and keeps us steadfast in his word and in faith until the end of our lives. This is God's gracious and good will.

and when from death I'm free,

### **SERMON**

### **HYMN OF THE DAY**

**ELW #666** 

### What Wondrous Love Is This



- What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What When I was sink ing down, sink ing down, sink ing down, when
- 3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing; to 4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on; and
- 4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on; and

my soul! What won-drous love won - drous love is this, O sink - ing down, sink - ing down, when was I was sink - ing down will sing; God I God and and the Lamb to to the Lamb.

I'll sing on;



Lord of bliss the dread-ful curse for my that caused the bear to be - neath God's righ-teous frown, Christ laid a - side his crown for my who is the great I Aм, while mil - lions join the theme, I will I'll sing God's love for me, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing



Text: North American folk hymn, 19th cent., alt.

Music: WONDROUS LOVE, W. Walker, Southern Harmony, 1835

when from death I'm free,

### CORPORATE CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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.

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.

For self-centered living, and for failing to walk with humility and gentleness:

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.

For longing to have what is not ours, and for hearts that are not at rest with ourselves:

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.

For misuse of human relationships, and for unwillingness to see the image of God in others:

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.

For jealousies that divide families and nations, and for rivalries that create strife and warfare:

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.

For reluctance in sharing the gifts of God, and for carelessness with the fruits of creation:

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.

For hurtful words that condemn, and for angry deeds that harm:

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.

For idleness in witnessing to Jesus Christ, and for squandering the gifts of love and grace:

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. Through the Holy Spirit God cleanses us and gives us the power to proclaim the mighty acts of the one who called us out of darkness into his marvelous light. 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.

### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

(Our sung response to each petition will be ELW #751, The Lord Is My Song)

Led by the Spirit, let us turn to God in prayer for the church, the world, and all those in need.

God of love, hear the cry of those who yearn for love; fractured families, broken homes neglected, unwanted, alone.

God of justice, hear the cry of those who yearn for justice; persecuted and oppressed, exploited, ill-treated, broken.

God of love and justice, hear us as we sing:

The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: all my hope comes from God. The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise:

God, the wellspring of life.

God of peace, hear the cry of those who yearn for peace; in battle zones and broken states, frightened, fearful, anxious.

God of healing, hear the cry of those who yearn for healing; physical and spiritual, hurting, weakened, depressed.

God, in your mercy, hear us as we sing:

The Lord is my song,
the Lord is my praise:
all my hope comes from God.
The Lord is my song,
the Lord is my praise:
God, the wellspring of life.

God of mercy, Hear the cry of those who yearn for mercy; convicted, in need of your Grace, contrite, humble, bowed down,

God, in your mercy, hear us as we sing:

The Lord is my song,
the Lord is my praise:
all my hope comes from God.
The Lord is my song,
the Lord is my praise:
God, the wellspring of life.

I love God, for God heard my voice; God heard my cry for mercy.

Because God turned God's ear to me, I will call on God as long as I live. **Amen.** 

### **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.

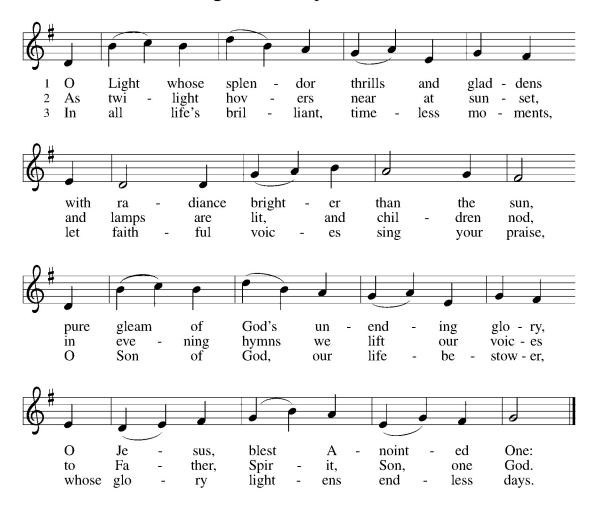
### **BLESSING**

Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

CLOSING HYMN ELW #563

# O Light Whose Splendor Thrills



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### **DISMISSAL**

Go forth into the world to serve God with gladness;

be of good courage;

hold fast to that which is good;

render to no one evil for evil;

strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak;

help the afflicted; honor all people;

love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE St. Clement John Ferguson

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### **LENT 2025: THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Let's refresh our knowledge of Luther's Small Catechism! Specifically, what Luther had to say about the Lord's Prayer.

### Midweek Lent 2—Wednesday, March 19, 2025

"Give us today our daily bread..."
We'll look at the 4th petition of Luther's explanation.

### Midweek Lent 3—Wednesday, March 26, 2025

"Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us."
We'll look at the 5th petition of Luther's explanation.

# Midweek Lent 4—Wednesday, April 2, 2025

"Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil."
We'll look at the 6th and 7th petitions of Luther's explanation.

# Midweek Lent 5—Wednesday, April 9, 2025

"For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen. We'll look at Luther's explanation to what he calls the "conclusion" of the prayer.

### **HOLY WEEK 2025**

### Palm Sunday—Sunday, April 13, 2025

Processional Gospel Matthew 21: 1-9 and Reading from Philippians 2: 5-11 We hear the story of Jesus's grand entry into Jerusalem.

Then, we consider Paul's words to the Philippians "he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross"

# Maundy Thursday—Thursday, April 17, 2025

1 Corinthians 11:23-26 "The Lord's Supper"

# Good Friday—Friday, April 18, 2025

We read the Passion according to the Gospel of John.

# Easter Sunday—Sunday, April 20, 2025

Luke 24: 1-12 The resurrection of Jesus!'

# ANNOUNCING OUR SAVIOR'S MONTHLY DONATION DRIVE Supporting The Hunger Task Force & St. Clare's Health Mission

Each month, we have the opportunity to make a meaningful impact on our community by contributing to The Hunger Task Force and St. Clare's Health Mission. This month's focus is on medical tape and band aids for St. Clare's Health Mission! Your generous donations will help us continue to provide for those in need, offering both nourishment and essential health items to those in need.

# How You Can Help:

Bring medical tape and band aids to church during the month of March 2025.

Drop your donations in the church office or shopping cart in the narthex.

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to serving others in love. Let's continue to make a difference together!