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9:30AM CST  
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LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION  
**3rd Sunday in Lent**

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## PRELUDE

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS *(Modified from Disrupt Worship Project)*

We gather in the name of the Father, and of the ✚ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and one another, that we may turn towards God and begin the work of repentance.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Merciful, life-giving God,

**we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have embraced individualism, valuing competition over cooperation and failing to function as the whole Body of Christ. Wanting recognition but not accountability, we advocate for our way as the one right way instead of seeking to learn together. We are sorry, and we humbly repent. For the sake of Jesus your Beloved, forgive us our sin that we may live more fully your kin-dom of accountability and mutual care.**

**Amen.**

Hear the promise of God, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist: you are saved by faith and your sin is forgiven. Through God's love, mercy, and justice, and by God's choosing, you have been set free from sin. Now, with renewed hearts, let us serve others and honor the world God made, knowing the good news we have received is for all people. **Amen.**

## GATHERING SONG

*"Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"*

ELW 843

## **GREETING** *(Modified from Illustrated Ministry)*

As we come together during this Lenten season, we invite you to explore the many treasures you have in your life, some are physical, and some are invisible, yet still they both greatly matter and guide our lives. May we wonder more deeply during this season about what kinds of treasures matter, why we store treasures, and the power these treasures have in our lives.

**Amen.**

## **KYRIE** *(Modified from Disrupt Worship Project)*

For the times we prize our self-interest,  
our treasures and individuality over the well-being of others.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the ways in which we treat others as less than  
based on what we see instead of seeing through the eyes of Christ.

**Christ, have mercy.**

For the ways in which progress, perfection, and fear of conflict  
get in the way of the matters of the heart and love.

**Lord, have mercy.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray together.... Holy God,

**through your Son you have called us to live faithfully and act courageously. Keep us steadfast in your grace, and teach us to keep you at the center of our hearts daily through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, now and forever. Amen.**

## **THE PSALM**

**Psalm 19:1, 7-10, 14**

<sup>1</sup> The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

<sup>7</sup> The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul;  
the decrees of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple;

<sup>8</sup> the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart;  
the commandment of the Lord is clear, enlightening the eyes;

<sup>9</sup> the fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever;  
the ordinances of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

<sup>10</sup> More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold;  
sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb.

<sup>14</sup> Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart  
be acceptable to you, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

The Word of the Lord, **Thanks be to God.**

## THE GOSPEL STORY

Matthew 19:16-26

<sup>16</sup>Then someone came to [Jesus] and said, “Teacher, what good deed must I do to have eternal life?” <sup>17</sup>And [Jesus] said to him, “Why do you ask me about what is good? There is only one who is good. If you wish to enter into life, keep the commandments.” <sup>18</sup>He said to him, “Which ones?” And Jesus said, “You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; <sup>19</sup>Honor your father and mother; also, You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” <sup>20</sup>The young man said to him, “I have kept all these; what do I still lack?” <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to him, “If you wish to be perfect, go, sell your possessions, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” <sup>22</sup>When the young man heard this word, he went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

<sup>23</sup>Then Jesus said to his disciples, “Truly I tell you, it will be hard for a rich person to enter the kingdom of heaven. <sup>24</sup>Again I tell you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” <sup>25</sup>When the disciples heard this, they were greatly astounded and said, “Then who can be saved?” <sup>26</sup>But Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but for God all things are possible.”

The Gospel of Our Lord, **Thanks be to God.**

## SERMON REFLECTION

Pastor Kelly Nieman Anderson

## REFLECTION SONG

*“Beautiful Things”*

CCLI# 5665521

## OFFERING PRAYER

O Lord God,

we want our hearts to follow you and want to love only you, not worshiping the things of this world; we want to love our neighbor freely, not desiring for ourselves something they possess. Accept these offerings both given and received we pray, and teach us to be generous, giving fully of ourselves that we may truly be the body of Christ in this world.

**Amen.**

## THE CREED *(online only)*

*“This I Believe – The Creed”*

CCLI# 7018338

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Relying on the promises of God, we pray boldly for the church, the world, and all in need.

*Pause after each prayer for a brief time of reflection.*

L: Hear us O God, **C: your mercy is great.**

We entrust ourselves and all our prayers to you, O faithful God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

**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

May God ✝ keep you in peace and lead you to an open heart that grants understanding.

May Jesus' way of serving call you to serve one another and begin restoration.

May the Spirit inspire you to a transforming love that celebrates all people and all creation.

**Amen.**

## SENDING HYMN

*"Stir Us, Lord"*

**CCLI # 1895089**

## SENDING

Go in peace, as we share the Resurrection by:

**Loving Jesus, Changing Lives, and Reaching Out to Serve.**

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

## POSTLUDE

**We look forward to you and/or your family joining us next week  
for Online Worship - Sunday at 9:30 AM**

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## Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness



- 1 Praise the One who breaks the dark-ness with a lib - er - at - ing light;
- 2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren with a strong yet gen - tle word;
- 3 Praise the one true love in - car - nate: Christ, who suf - fered in our place;



praise the One who frees the pris - 'ners, turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight.  
praise the One who drove out de - mons with a pierc - ing, two - edged sword.  
Je - sus died and rose for man - y that we may know God by grace.



Praise the One who preached the gos - pel, heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease,  
Praise the One who brings cool wa - ter to the des - ert's burn - ing sand;  
Let us sing for joy and glad - ness, see - ing what our God has done.



calm - ing storms and feed - ing thou - sands with the ver - y bread of peace.  
from this well comes liv - ing wa - ter quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.  
Praise the one re - deem - ing glo - ry; praise the One who makes us one.

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# Beautiful Things

## Verse 1

All this pain  
I wonder if I'll ever find my way  
I wonder if my life could really change  
At all

## Verse 2

All this earth  
Could all that is lost ever be found  
Could a garden come up from this ground  
At all

## Chorus

You make beautiful things  
You make beautiful things out of the dust  
You make beautiful things  
You make beautiful things out of us

## Verse 3

All around  
Hope is springing up from this old ground  
Out of chaos life is being found  
In You

## Bridge

You make me new You are making me new  
You make me new You are making me new  
(REPEAT)

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# This I Believe (The Creed)

## Verse 1

Our Father everlasting  
The all creating One, God Almighty  
Through Your Holy Spirit  
Conceiving Christ the Son  
Jesus our Saviour

## Chorus 1

I believe in God our Father  
I believe in Christ the Son  
I believe in the Holy Spirit  
Our God is three in One  
I believe in the resurrection  
That we will rise again  
For I believe in the Name of Jesus

## Verse 2

Our judge and our defender  
Suffered and crucified  
Forgiveness is in You  
Descended into darkness  
You rose in glorious life  
Forever seated high

## Bridge

I believe in You  
I believe You rose again  
I believe that Jesus Christ is Lord

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## Stir Us Lord

### Chorus

Stir up in our hearts oh Lord  
What You want us to do  
You showed Your love up upon the cross  
We want to give of our lives to You

### Verse 1

Show us the faces  
Of all of those in need  
Move us to action  
Giving with joyful heart  
Loving is the place to start  
Let Your Spirit plant the seed

### Verse 2

With gifts we've been given  
Help us see where we fit in  
We're part of one family  
Knowing that we have a place  
Serving by Your gift of grace  
Keep Your Spirit stirred within

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## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Relying on the promises of God, we pray boldly for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

In Jesus your realm has come near to us in every place and time. Give your church throughout the world a spirit of humility and repentance; teach us to trust always in the good news of your salvation. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

You have made a covenant of mercy with every living creature. Protect all the earth's creatures from destruction. Empower the work of biologists, conservationists, science educators, and those who continue to produce and distribute the COVID vaccines.

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

All your paths are full of steadfast love and faithfulness. Direct the words and actions of the leaders in our community, in our capital and throughout the world, that they may maintain justice and peace for all. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

For all those who are hungry, for those who need a warm place to live, for those struggling with mental health issues, those who are challenged with immigration issues, for those exhausted from stress and life struggles, for those caring for people with COVID, those who are administering the COVID vaccines and coordinating the process, and for all who are in need of healing prayers; especially..... Rayann, John, Scott, Carol, Marty, Carol & Phil, Pastor Kara, Betty, Joyce, Mark & Nancy, Adele, Bill, Don, Sandy, Earl & Hazel, Sandy, Jim, Kit, Mel, Jacki, Julie and Shirley. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

In baptism you join us to the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. We praise you for all those who have died trusting in your faithfulness. Bring us with them to the fullness of your reign. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We entrust ourselves and all our prayers to you, O faithful God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**