



*Fourth Sunday in*

*lent*

*Sunday, March 22, 2020  
10:00 a.m.*

# Confession

- P** In the name of the Father, and + of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C Amen.**

+ *The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.*

- P** Let us pray.

**C Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid:  
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you  
and worthily magnify your holy name;  
through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. Amen.**

- P** Let us humbly kneel, and make confession unto God,  
imploring his forgiveness, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Kneel. Silence is kept for reflection.*

- P** O God, our heavenly Father,

**C I confess unto you that I have grievously sinned  
against you in many ways;  
not only by outward transgressions,  
but also by secret thoughts and desires  
which I cannot fully understand,  
but which are known unto you.  
I do earnestly repent, and am heartily sorry  
for these, my offences, and I beseech you  
of your great goodness to have mercy upon me,  
and for the sake of your dear Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to forgive my sins, and graciously help my infirmities. Amen.**

- P** Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us, and for the sake of the sufferings, death, and resurrection of his dear Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, forgives us all our sins. As a minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare unto you who do truly repent and believe in him, the entire forgiveness of all your sins: In the name of the Father, and + of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

# Opening Hymn • "We Are Called"

*Evangelical Lutheran Worship 720*



1 Come! Live in the light! Shine with the joy and the love of the  
2 Come! O - pen your heart! Show your . . mer - cy to all those in  
3 Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that great day when all will be



Lord! We are called to be light for the king - dom, to  
fear! We are called to be hope for the hope - less so  
one! God will reign, and we'll walk with each oth - er as



live in the free - dom of the cit - y of God.  
ha - tred and blind - ness . . . will be . . . no more.  
sis - ters and broth - ers . . . u - nit - ed in love.



We are called to act with jus - tice, we are called to



love ten - der - ly; we are called to serve one an -



oth - er, to walk hum - bly with God.

# Greeting

**P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C** **And also with you.**

# Kyrie

*Mass for an Open Heart*

*Fine*

Ky-ri-e, Ky-ri-e, e - le - i - son. Ky-ri-e, Ky-ri-e, e - le - i - son.

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Lord, have mer - cy u - pon us, Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy u -

14

pon us, Christ, have mer - cy.

*D.C. al Fine*

# Salutation

- ☐ The Lord be with you.
- ☑ **And also with you.**

# Prayer of the Day

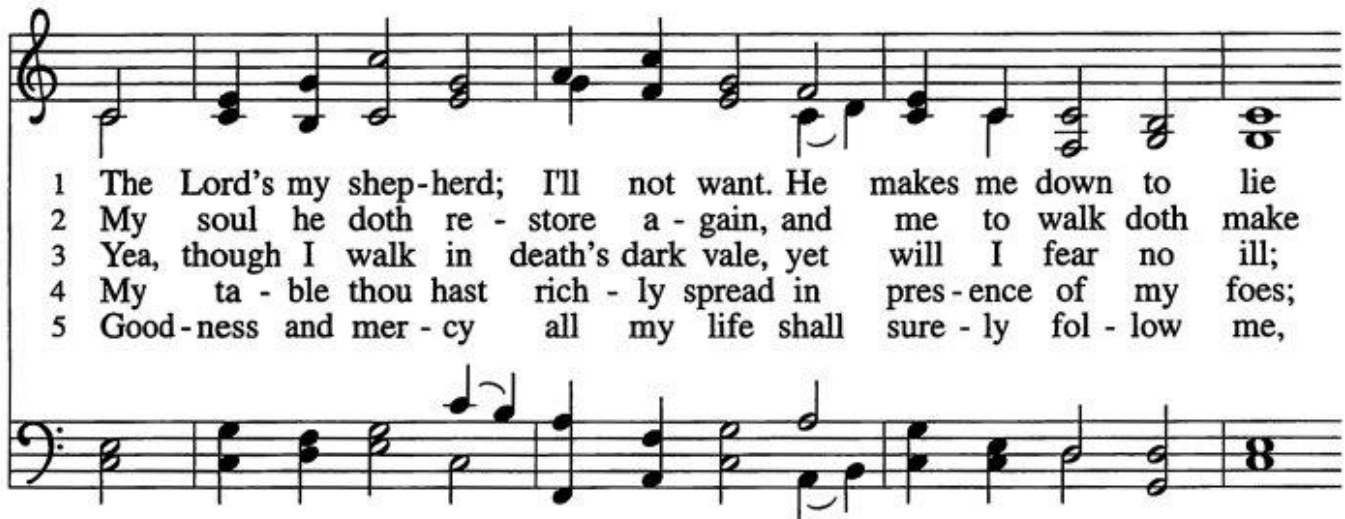
# First Reading

- ☐ A reading from First Samuel.  
1 Samuel 16:1-13
- ☐ The Word of the Lord.
- ☑ **Thanks be to God.**

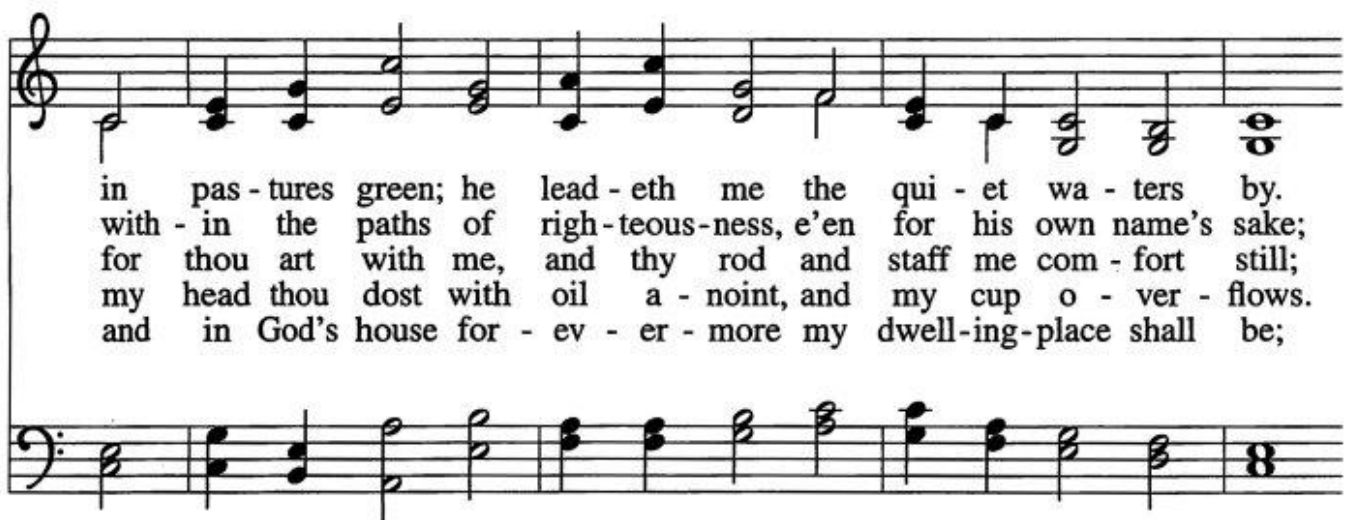


# Psalm 23 • "The Lord's My Shepherd"

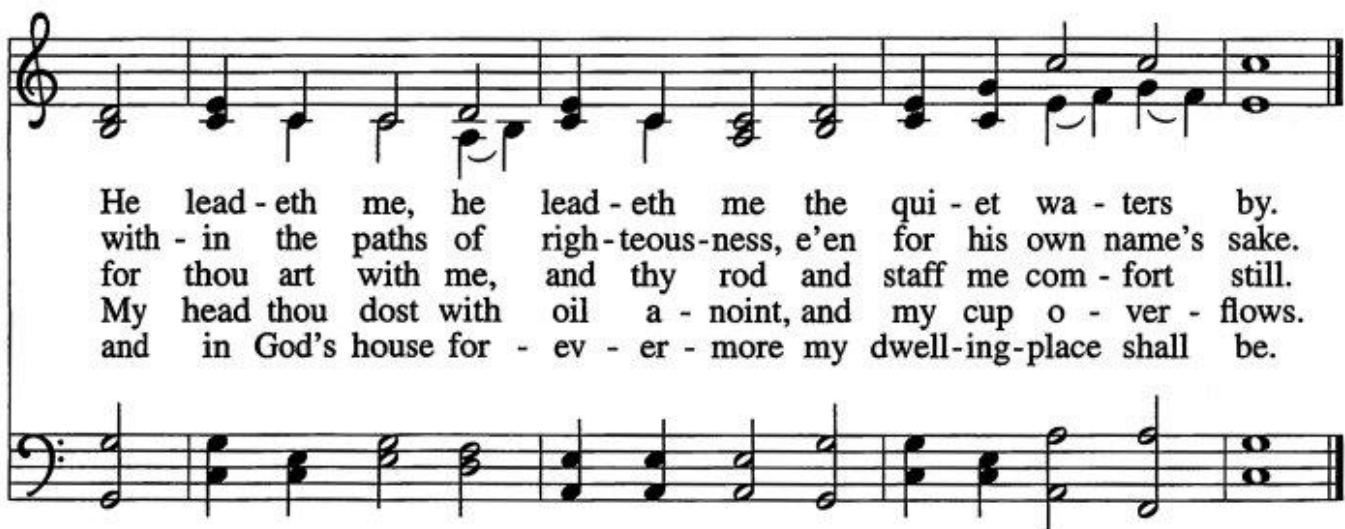
*Evangelical Lutheran Worship 778*



1 The Lord's my shep-herd; I'll not want. He makes me down to lie  
2 My soul he doth re - store a - gain, and me to walk doth make  
3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet will I fear no ill;  
4 My ta - ble thou hast rich - ly spread in pres - ence of my foes;  
5 Good - ness and mer - cy all my life shall sure - ly fol - low me,



in pas - tures green; he lead - eth me the qui - et wa - ters by.  
with - in the paths of righ - teous - ness, e'en for his own name's sake;  
for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me com - fort still;  
my head thou dost with oil a - noint, and my cup o - ver - flows.  
and in God's house for - ev - er - more my dwell - ing - place shall be;



He lead - eth me, he lead - eth me the qui - et wa - ters by.  
with - in the paths of righ - teous - ness, e'en for his own name's sake.  
for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me com - fort still.  
My head thou dost with oil a - noint, and my cup o - ver - flows.  
and in God's house for - ev - er - more my dwell - ing - place shall be.

# Second Reading

- ▣ A reading from Ephesians.  
Ephesians 5:8-14
- ▣ The Word of the Lord.
- ▣ **Thanks be to God.**

# Gospel Acclamation • "Return to God"

Mass for an Open Heart


Sing twice.

*Cantor*




Re - turn to God \_\_\_\_\_ with all your heart, \_\_\_\_\_ and

*Congregation*




Re - turn to God \_\_\_\_\_ with all your heart, and

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lean not on your own under - stand - ing. \_\_\_\_\_ Re - turn to God, \_\_\_\_\_



lean not on your own \_\_\_\_\_ under - stand - ing. \_\_\_\_\_ Re-

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\_\_\_\_\_ with all your heart \_\_\_\_\_ for he's gra - cious and full\_ of




turn to God \_\_\_\_\_ with all your heart, for he's gra - cious and full\_ of

15



love. \_\_\_\_\_



love. \_\_\_\_\_



# Gospel

☐ The Holy Gospel according to John.

☑ **Glory to you, O Lord.**

John 9:1-41

☐ The Gospel of our Lord.

☑ **Praise to you, O Christ.**

# Sermon

Pastor John L. Vaswig.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

# Hymn of the Day • "Be Thou My Vision"

*Evangelical Lutheran Worship 793*



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;  
2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;  
3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,  
4 Light of my soul, af - ter vic - to - ry won,



naught be all else to me, save that thou art:  
I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord.  
thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:  
may I reach heav - en's joys, O heav - en's Sun!



thou my best thought both by day and by night,  
Thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tow'r,  
thou and thou on - ly, the first in my heart,  
Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.  
raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.  
great God of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.  
still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

# Apostles' Creed

**A** *Together, let us confess our faith.*

**C** **I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the power of 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.**

# Sharing of the Peace

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you all.

**C** **And also with you.**

# Offering

*We give to the Lord of our tithes and offerings.*

Ways that you can give electronically:

## TEXT

- )] Text “Give” to 253-292-9599.
- )] You will be sent a message to (a) text your giving amount and/or (b) set up recurring giving.

## ONLINE via the MVLC WEBSITE

- )] Visit [www.mtviewlutheran.org](http://www.mtviewlutheran.org).
- )] Hover over the “GIVE” dropbox.
- )] Choose “Make a Donation via Bank Account” or “Make a Donation via Credit/Debit Card.”
- )] Fill out all information on the page and then click the blue “GIVE” button.
- )] If you want it to remember your information, visit “SIGN IN” and create an account.
- )] NOTE: Online giving is a one-time gift unless you check “Make this Gift Recurring.”

# Offertory Response • "Reamo Leboga"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 682



Re - a - mo le - bo - ga, Re - a - mo

4. We give our breath to you, we give our



le - bo - ga, re - a - mo le - bo - ga, mo - di - mo

breath to you, we give our breath to you, be-cause you



wa - ro - na.

breathe on us.

## Offertory Prayer

**A** *Holy and generous host,*

**C** **you set a table where we feast as friends.**

**Prepare us to witness to your goodness  
with every gift you have given us to share,  
that all people may know your peace  
through Jesus Christ, now and forever. Amen.**

# Prayers of the Church

**A** *Turning our hearts to God who is gracious and merciful, we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.*

**A** *Lord, in your mercy,*

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** According to your steadfast love, O God, hear these and all our prayers as we commend them to you; through Christ our Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

**P** Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**C** **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.**



# Benediction

☐ The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face to shine upon you. The Lord look upon you with favor and grant you his peace. In the name of the Father, and of + the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

☑ **Amen.**

+ *The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.*



# Sending Hymn • "Amazing Grace"

*Gather, Comprehensive Edition 612*



1. A - maz - ing grace! how sweet the  
 2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to  
 3. The Lord has prom - ised good to  
 4. Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and  
 5. When we've been there ten - thou - sand



sound, That saved a wretch like me!  
 fear, And grace my fears re - lieved;  
 me, His word my hope se - cures;  
 snares, I have al - read - y come;  
 years, Bright shin - ing as the sun,



I once was lost, but now am  
 How pre - cious did that grace ap -  
 He will my shield and por - tion  
 'Tis grace has brought me safe thus  
 We've no less days to sing God's



found, Was blind, but now I see.  
 pear The hour I first be - lieved!  
 be As long as life en - dures.  
 far, And grace will lead me home.  
 praise Than when we'd first be - gun.

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