



Sunday, March 18, 2018

9:00 a.m.

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~Welcome Visitors!~

Visitors, welcome! We are glad to share Christian worship and fellowship with you. Please ask our ushers for a packet of info about East Koshkonong. To participate in worship, please follow the order of worship in the bulletin. Page numbers are in the front of the ELW cranberry hymnal), and hymn numbers are in the back of the hymnal. You are always welcome at the table of Holy Communion where Christ is our host, inviting all of us to "come and eat." Please fill out a communion card, and hand it to an usher as you come forward for communion. Prayer requests, comments, or questions may be written on the back of the communion card. We hope to see you again soon at EKLC.

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Fifth Sunday in Lent

ELW Holy Communion Setting Four

*** INDICATES CONGREGATION TO STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

This confession provides extended silence for listening, pondering, and self-reflection. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P: In the name of the Father,
and of the ☐ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: God of heaven and earth,
you come in close and make us yours.
Equip us by your Spirit to confess our sin,
embrace your forgiveness,
and seek the way you set before us in your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

P: With honesty of heart, let us confess our sin.

*The assembly may kneel or stand.
An extended silence may be kept.*

Merciful God,

C: forgive us.

**Our will is handcuffed to sin, and we cannot break free.
We have spoken when we should have kept quiet.**

Silence.

We were silent when we should have said something.

Silence.

We acted when we knew better.

Silence.

We were still when we know we should have moved.

Silence.

**For the wrong we have done,
for the good we have failed to do,
have mercy on us,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

Amen.

**P: People of God, look to the ☐ Son,
given to heal you and set you free
because God loved the world so much.**

Take hold of life—eternal life!

C: Amen.

***GATHERING SONG**

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

ELW 843

***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**

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***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**A: Let us pray. Holy God,
In this season of contemplation, help us to recognize that you revealed
yourself in Jesus, who walked among us and was handed over to be cru-
cified. May we be strengthened by his presence among us today.**

C: Amen.

PSALM: Psalm 146

A: ¹Hal- | lelujah! Praise the LORD, | O my soul!

C: ²**I will praise the LORD as long | as I live;**

I will sing praises to my God while I | have my being.

A: ³Put not your | trust in rulers,

in mortals in whom there | is no help.

C: ⁴**When they breathe their last, they re- | turn to earth,
and in that day | their thoughts perish.**

A: ⁵Happy are they who have the God of Jacob | for their help,
whose hope is in the | LORD their God;

C: ⁶**who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that | is in
them; who keeps promis- | es forever;**

A: ⁷who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to |
those who hunger. The LORD sets the | captive free.

C: ⁸**The LORD opens the eyes of the blind; the LORD lifts up
those who are bowed down; the LORD | loves the righteous.**

A: ⁹The LORD cares | for the stranger;

the LORD sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way |
of the wicked.

C: ¹⁰**The LORD shall | reign forever,**

your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. | Hallelujah!

BRIDGING GOD'S STORY

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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GOSPEL: John 19:1-16a

¹Then Pilate took Jesus and had him flogged. ²And the soldiers wove a crown of thorns and put it on his head, and they dressed him in a purple robe. ³They kept coming up to him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" and striking him on the face. ⁴Pilate went out again and said to them, "Look, I am bringing him out to you to let you know that I find no case against him." ⁵So Jesus came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. Pilate said to them, "Here is the man!" ⁶When the chief priests and the police saw him, they shouted, "Crucify him! Crucify him!" Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and crucify him; I find no case against him." ⁷The Jews answered him, "We have a law, and according to that law he ought to die because he has claimed to be the Son of God."

⁸Now when Pilate heard this, he was more afraid than ever. ⁹He

entered his headquarters again and asked Jesus, "Where are you from?" But Jesus gave him no answer. ¹⁰Pilate therefore said to him, "Do you refuse to speak to me? Do you not know that I have power to release you, and power to crucify you?" ¹¹Jesus answered him, "You would have no power over me unless it had been given you from above; therefore the one who handed me over to you is guilty of a greater sin." ¹²From then on Pilate tried to release him, but the Jews cried out, "If you release this man, you are no friend of the emperor. Everyone who claims to be a king sets himself against the emperor."

¹³When Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus outside and sat on the judge's bench at a place called The Stone Pavement, or in Hebrew Gabbatha. ¹⁴Now it was the day of Preparation for the Passover; and it was about noon. He said to the Jews, "Here is your King!" ¹⁵They cried out, "Away with him! Away with him! Crucify him!" Pilate asked them, "Shall I crucify your King?" The chief priests answered, "We have no king but the emperor." ¹⁶Then he handed him over to them to be crucified.

So they took Jesus;

L: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

TIME FOR CHILDREN

SERMON

***HYMN OF THE DAY** *I Want Jesus to Walk with Me* ELW 325

*APOSTLES' CREED

A: With the whole church let us confess our faith.

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. 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.

*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A: Renewed in the promises of baptism, let us pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need. (*A brief silence.*) We pray for the church. Guide us into a deeper knowledge of your love and grace. Increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and service. We pray for evangelists, pastors, prophets, teachers, and all servants of the church.

A: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

A: ...Trusting in your covenant of mercy, O God, we lift our prayers to you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: Amen.

*PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

MISSION MINUTE

OFFERING

*OFFERTORY CREATE IN ME

ELW 186

*OFFERING PRAYER

A: Let us pray. Merciful God, receive the sacrifice of our praise and thanksgiving and the offering of our lives, that following in the way of the cross, we may know the joy of the resurrection; through Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

*THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*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.

*INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Return to God with all your heart.

Receive bread for the journey, drink for the desert.

HOLY COMMUNION BY INTINCTION

Welcome to the Lord's Table! All are welcome to participate in this gift of life. Are you wondering what to expect?

- *To read about what Lutherans believe about communion, please read "The Sacrament of the Altar" from the Small Catechism, which you will find in the back of the hymnal Evangelical Lutheran Worship on p. 1166.*
- *When you are ushered forward, bread is placed in your hands, you dip it in the cup and eat. The silver chalice with purple liquid is wine; the ceramic chalice with yellow liquid is grape juice.*
- *Please let the server know if you need a gluten free option.*
- *You may receive a blessing without communion; please come forward with your arms crossed over your chest.*
- *If you are unable to come forward and would like to receive communion, please let the ushers know. We will come to you.*

LAMB OF GOD

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COMMUNION HYMN *We Give Thee but Thine Own*

ELW 686

COMMUNION HYMN 3X *Jesus, Remember Me*

ELW 616

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray. Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be hunger for justice, our alms, a making of peace, and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts; through Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

P: May God who has called us forth from the dust of the earth, and claimed us as children of the light, strengthen you on your journey into life renewed. The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you ☐ peace.

C: Amen.

***SENDING SONG** *Give to Our God Immortal Praise!*

ELW 848

*DISMISSAL

A: Marked with the cross of Christ, go forth to love and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

~*Worship Leaders*~

Presider ~ Rev. Brenda Lovick, Pastor
Assisting Minister ~ Vicki Schuh **Lector** ~ Peggy Luther
Acolytes ~ Sully Schlieckau & Emma Nottestad
Greeter ~ Peggy Luther
Ushers ~ Don & Eileen Hoehn, Lane & Judy Taylor
Communion Set-up/Take-down ~ Holly Loomis
Communion Assistants ~ Don Hoehn & Brenda Schroeder
Offering Counters ~ Jean Lehr, Eric or Cheryl Nuenthel
Musician ~ Andrew Severson
Nursery ~ Natasha Amundson
Audio Ministry ~ Bonnie Ehrke **Coffee Hour** ~ Joy Circle
Church Lock up ~ Gloria Fruit

~*Prayers*~

Please note: If you have a prayer request for the bulletin, please make note on your communion/welcome card. You may also notify the office before noon on Wednesday. Prayer requests will remain for 3 weeks unless otherwise requested. **If you wish a person to remain on the prayer list longer than 3 weeks please make note weekly on your prayer card or contact the church office.** Thank you.

*Denotes new/changed request.

Thanksgiving to God for...

East Koshkonong Lutheran Church's mission and ministry, especially this week (see calendar)

-Prayers for the ministries of John and Amy Lindstrom.

God's guidance and direction for those with healing and health concerns...

-Tamisha Bogert*	-Wilma Furseth*	-Sylvia Gerlach*
-Joann Zimmerman	-Justin Bloomer	-Bryan Porter
-Kevin Porter	-Phyllis Vergenz	-Sara Depies
-Lyle Walheim	-Lowell Severson	-Mary Ellen Christensen

God's protection & safety for people of the world.

-For the work of Lutheran Disaster Response.

God's protection and safety for those being deployed...

-Please remember all our veterans, and those on active duty. Give them all God's comfort in their memories of war and their service to their country. (Please let office know if you have a family member on active duty.)

~Calendar~

Sunday, March 18, 2018

- 8:00am Choir Practice
- 9:00am Worship
- 10:00am Coffee Hour hosted by Joy Circle
- 10:15am Sunday School/Confirmation

Monday, March 19, 2018

- 6:00pm Property Meeting
- 6:30pm Church Council

Tuesday, March 20, 2018

- 8:30am Staff Meeting
- 9:30am Prayers for Our People
- 10am-1pm Pastor's Office Hours

Wednesday, March 21, 2018

- 10:30am Book Study
- 12:00pm Lenten Morning Worship
- 1:30pm Pastors Meeting at EKLC
- 6:00pm Confirmation
- 7:00pm Lenten Evening Worship

Thursday, March 22, 2018

- 9:00am Newsletter Assembly

Friday, March 23, 2018

- Pastor's Day Off
- Office Closed

Sunday, March 25 2018

- 8:00am Choir Practice
- 9:00am Worship
- 10:00am Palm Sunday Brunch
- 10:15am Stewardship Committee Meeting

~Announcements~

Palm Sunday Brunch Next Sunday, March 25, 2018!

Wednesdays during Lent: 12:00 Noon ELW Morning Prayer & 7:00pm ELW Evening Prayer “The Call to ‘I AM’: A Five Part Lenten Series” Come and hear the many ways that Jesus reveals “I AM” to the people around him. All of the readings through this series come from the Gospel of John, which we are focusing on in worship this year. This series will help give us a better picture of who Jesus is and how he changes our lives.

- Mar. 21: I AM the Resurrection and the Life

Adult Book Study is on Wednesdays at 10:30 am. We gather and work our way through *By Heart: Conversations with Martin Luther’s Small Catechism*. This is an in depth study with DVD and a book. All are welcome to join in the study at any time!

For this year's emphasis on giving for Lent, the Worship Committee has chosen the Million Dollar Mission Jar Challenge which Sabra and Eric Jacobson introduced to us after the last Synod Assembly. World Hunger will be the recipient of this, and we encourage each family to participate with \$40 in 40 Days. If that level is not possible for you, then whatever you can manage will be much appreciated. This donation will be taken to Synod Assembly by our voting delegates, Hilary and Ryan Terland. Thank you so much for your participation.

Did you know.....that the Health Ministry committee has individually wrapped hand sanitizer wipes available for your use at church? They are located in a clear, covered container in the narthex on the table behind the left door from the narthex into the sanctuary. During the recent widespread cases of influenza and other viruses throughout the country, we encourage you to feel free to use them. Thank you! ~The Health Ministry

~Announcements~

Attention Seniors Join others from our community at the Amundson Center on Tuesdays and Fridays at noon for Area Senior Dining. Enjoy a delicious healthy meal and conversation. Open to anyone over the age of 60. For questions and to make reservations please call 608-838-7117. (Reservations need to be made at least 24 hours before) Suggested donation of \$4.

Youth Gathering Fundraiser You may have noticed the wall of envelopes in the narthex to support the EKLC youth going to the 2018 Youth Gathering in Houston. This is a fundraiser to support this cause. There is a number on each envelope. Please take one or more and fill it with money to equal or exceed the amount on the envelope. Please put your name on the envelope and place it in the offering plate during Lent on Sundays or Wednesdays. The goal is to end up with all of the envelopes taken from the wall and filled. Thank you for your ongoing support and generosity!

Cambridge Combined Youth Event: Saturday, April 14th Takin' a little trip-y to the Mighty Mississippi to the Mississippi River Museum in Dubuque, IA. Meeting in Grace Lutheran parking lot at 9am. Admission \$15. Watching Jerusalem in 4D (that means you'll feel wind, mist, and the seats move too!) Permission forms available in Church Narthex. *Information for both events are in EKLC Narthex.*

