



*Sunday, March 19, 2017*

*Worship 9:00am*

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# *Worship Plan for Sunday, March 19, 2017*

*Third Sunday in Lent*

*ELW Holy Communion Setting Four*

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*This confession provides extended silence for listening, pondering, and self-reflection. All may stand as able and 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.**

**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.**

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**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**A:** Let us pray. Merciful God, the fountain of living water, you quench our thirst and wash away our sin. Give us this water always. Bring us to drink from the well that flows with the beauty of your truth through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** **Amen.**

*The assembly is seated.*

**FIRST READING: Exodus 17:1-7**

<sup>1</sup>From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. <sup>2</sup>The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?" <sup>3</sup>But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" <sup>4</sup>So Moses cried out to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." <sup>5</sup>The LORD said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. <sup>6</sup>I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. <sup>7</sup>He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the LORD, saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

**L:** Word of God, word of life.

**C:** **Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM: Psalm 95

**A:** <sup>1</sup>Come, let us sing | to the LORD;  
let us shout for joy to the rock of | our salvation.

**C:** <sup>2</sup>Let us come before God's presence | with thanksgiving  
and raise a loud shout to the | LORD with psalms.

**A:** <sup>3</sup>For you, LORD, | are a great God,  
and a great ruler a- | bove all gods.

**C:** <sup>4</sup>In your hand are the caverns | of the earth;  
the heights of the hills are | also yours.

**A:** <sup>5</sup>The sea is yours, | for you made it,  
and your hands have molded | the dry land.

**C:** <sup>6</sup>Come, let us worship | and bow down,  
let us kneel before the | LORD our maker. **R**

**A:** <sup>7</sup>For the LORD is our God, and we are the people of God's pasture  
and the sheep | of God's hand. Oh, that today you would | hear  
God's voice!

**C:** <sup>8</sup>"Harden | not your hearts,  
as at Meribah, as on that day at Massah | in the desert.

**A:** <sup>9</sup>There your ancestors | tested me,  
they put me to the test, though they had | seen my works.

**C:** <sup>10</sup>Forty years I loathed that gener- | ation, saying,  
'The heart of this people goes astray; they do not | know my  
ways.'

**A:** <sup>11</sup>Indeed I swore | in my anger,  
'They shall never come | to my rest.' ” **R**

## SECOND READING: Romans 5:1-11

<sup>1</sup>Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>2</sup>through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. <sup>3</sup>And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup>and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup>and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

<sup>6</sup>For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup>Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. <sup>8</sup>But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. <sup>9</sup>Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the

wrath of God. <sup>10</sup>For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. <sup>11</sup>But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

**L:** Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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### GOSPEL: John 4:5-42

**P:** The holy gospel according to John.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>5</sup>[Jesus] came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. <sup>6</sup>Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

<sup>7</sup>A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." <sup>8</sup>(His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.)

<sup>9</sup>The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) <sup>10</sup>Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." <sup>11</sup>The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water?" <sup>12</sup>Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" <sup>13</sup>Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, <sup>14</sup>but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." <sup>15</sup>The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."

<sup>16</sup>Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back."

<sup>17</sup>The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; <sup>18</sup>for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!" <sup>19</sup>The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet. <sup>20</sup>Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem." <sup>21</sup>Je-

sus said to her, “Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem.

<sup>22</sup>You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. <sup>23</sup>But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. <sup>24</sup>God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.”

<sup>25</sup>The woman said to him, “I know that Messiah is coming” (who is called Christ). “When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.”

<sup>26</sup>Jesus said to her, “I am he, the one who is speaking to you.”

<sup>27</sup>Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, “What do you want?” or, “Why are you speaking with her?” <sup>28</sup>Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, <sup>29</sup>“Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?” <sup>30</sup>They left the city and were on their way to him.

<sup>31</sup>Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, “Rabbi, eat something.” <sup>32</sup>But he said to them, “I have food to eat that you do not know about.” <sup>33</sup>So the disciples said to one another, “Surely no one has brought him something to eat?” <sup>34</sup>Jesus said to them, “My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. <sup>35</sup>Do you not say, ‘Four months more, then comes the harvest’? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting.

<sup>36</sup>The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. <sup>37</sup>For here the saying holds true, ‘One sows and another reaps.’ <sup>38</sup>I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor.”

<sup>39</sup>Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman’s testimony, “He told me everything I have ever done.” <sup>40</sup>So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. <sup>41</sup>And many more believed because of his word. <sup>42</sup>They said to the woman, “It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Savior of the world.”

**P:** The gospel of the Lord.

**C:** Praise to you, O Christ.

*The assembly is seated*

## CHILDREN'S TIME

### SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY *Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross* ELW 335

### APOSTLES' CREED

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

**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:** Lifting our voices and turning toward God, let us pray for the church, the earth, and all who are in need. *(A brief silence.)* O God, let your church on earth, justified and reconciled through Jesus Christ, be bold in its proclamation of the gospel...

**A:** Hear us, O God.

**C:** **Your mercy is great.**

**A:** ...Into your hands, merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your steadfast love; through Christ our Lord.

**C:** **Amen.**

### PEACE

**P:** The peace of Christ be with you always.

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

*The assembly is seated.*

### EKLC MISSION MINUTE

### OFFERING

**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.

**GREAT THANKSGIVING**

**DIALOGUE**

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** And also with you.

**P:** Lift up your hearts.

**C:** We lift them to the Lord.

**P:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C:** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

**PREFACE**

**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**

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**THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

**LORD'S PRAYER**

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

**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.**

**INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

**LAMB OF GOD**

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**SHARING OF HOLY COMMUNION BY INTINCTION**

*Welcome to the Lord's Table! All baptized Christians who believe the words "This is my body given for you, shed for you, for the forgiveness of sins" are welcome to come forward to receive this gift of grace. Please wait for ushers to direct you to the front of the sanctuary. Communion by intinction means that when you come forward, bread will be placed in your hand. Then you will dip the bread in the cup and eat. The chalice with purple liquid is red wine and the chalice with yellow liquid is white grape juice. If you are unable to come forward and would like to receive communion, let the ushers know and we will bring communion to you. If you prefer not to receive communion but would like to receive a blessing, please come forward with your arms crossed over your chest. May these gifts keep you in eternal life.*

**HYMN *Eat This Bread: Jesus Christ, Bread of Life* ELW 472**

**HYMN *As the Deer Runs to the River* ELW 331**

## **COMMUNION BLESSING**

### **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**

**A:** 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 *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* ELW 807**

### **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** ~ Gloria Fruit **Lector** ~ Holly Loomis

**Acolyte** ~ Caleb Wipperfurth & Meta Wescott **Greeter** ~ Karen Hayes

**Ushers** ~ Carole Kenseth, Jane Furseth, Carolyn Lien, Peggy Luther

**Communion Set-up/Take-down** ~ Jackie Zahn & Judy Taylor

**Communion Assistants** ~ Karen Hayes & Don Hoehn

**Musician** ~ Andrew Severson

**Offering Counters** ~ Jean Carlson, Eric/Cheryl Nuenthel

**Nursery** ~ Nataliya Amundson **Audio Ministry** ~ Karen Hayes

**Coffee Hour** ~ Stewardship Committee

**Church Lock-up** ~ Holly Loomis

## ~*Announcements*~

**Are you a Thrivent member?** Don't forget about Thrivent Action Teams! Contact your Thrivent Representative about using your Thrivent Action Team dollars.

**Bible Study on Galatians continues.** We meet weekly on Wednesdays at 10:45 a.m. for one hour. All are welcome.

**125th Anniversary** The planning is underway for our observation of the 125th anniversary of the Upper Church. If you are interested in helping plan this event, please sign-up on the sheet provided in the Narthex.

**40 Days of Giving** is a Lenten mission where we will collect monetary gifts and non perishable food for five local food pantries: Cambridge, Deerfield, Edgerton, Fort Atkinson & Stoughton. We collect donations now thru Easter Sunday, April 16th. Envelopes are available in the narthex. Please make checks out to EKLC. To assist the offering counters please put your name on the envelope.

**Sermon Series March 8 - April 5: *With Awe and Love*,** A Midweek Service Based on Luther's Small Catechism; **Wednesday, March 22: Lord's Prayer; Wednesday, March 29: Baptism; Wednesday, April 5: Holy Communion.** Services offered at 12 noon and 7:00 p.m. each Wednesday. Potluck Supper at 6:00pm. Please bring your family and a dish to pass.

## ~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 & Amy Lindstrom

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

-Christy Anderson      -Esther Walheim      -Ryan Redford

-Alma Houfe              -Lyle Walheim

-Lauren, Matt & Chase Mancheski

-The grieving families of Myron Fosdal and Roger Jacobson

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

-For global refugee crisis.

-For the peace among all the nations of the world.

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

-Please remember all our veterans, and those on active duty: Matt Kaare. 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 that is not included in these prayers so they can be added.)

## *~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.*

Pastor Brenda will be  
on vacation  
March 23-  
March 26th.  
Pastor Richard  
Dowling will be on  
call for pastoral  
emergencies. You  
can contact him at  
608-628-4230.

# *~Calendar of Events~*

## **Sunday, March 19, 2017**

### **Newsletter Deadline**

- 9:00am          Worship
- 10:00am        Coffee hour
- 10:15am        Sunday School/Confirmation
- 1:00pm          Skaalen Annual Meeting

## **Monday, March 20, 2017**

Pastor's day off

## **Tuesday, March 21, 2017**

- 8:30am          Staff Meeting
- 9:30am          Prayers for Our People
- 10am-2pm       Pastor's Office Hours

## **Wednesday, March 22, 2017**

- 10:45am        Galatians Bible Study
- 12:00pm        Lenten Worship Service
- 6:00pm          Confirmation
- 6:00pm          Lenten Supper
- 7:00pm          Lenten Worship Service

## **Thursday, March 23, 2017**

Pastor Brenda on vacation March 23-26th.

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

## **Sunday, March 26, 2017**

- 9:00am          Worship
- 10:00am        Coffee hour
- 10:15am        Sunday School/Confirmation

## *Attendance Report:*

### Sunday

**March 12, 2017: 84**  
**March 5, 2017 : 94**  
**February 26, 2017: 79**  
**February 19, 2017: 83**

### Wednesday

**Noon ~ March 15, 2017: 14**  
**7:00pm ~ March 15, 2017: 31**  
**Noon ~ March 8, 2017: 12**  
**7:00pm ~ March 8, 2017: 30**

## *Treasurer's Report:*

<b>Weekly Offerings Report</b>		
2/26/17 Offerings	February Goal to meet Budget	February Offerings
\$ 939.00	\$ 15,341.45	\$ 11,812.00

<b>Weekly Offerings Report</b>		
3/1/17 & 3/5/17 Offerings	March Goal to meet Budget	March Offerings- to-Date
\$ 3,956.09	\$ 20,874.37	\$ 3,956.09

<b>Weekly Offerings Report</b>		
3/8/17 & 3/12/17 Offerings	March Goal to meet Budget	March Offerings- to-Date
\$ 4,651.00	\$ 20,874.37	\$ 8,607.09