

10am, March 30, 2025
4th Sunday in Lent
Holy Communion



HEALTH & WELLBEING: HOLY REST

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PRELUDE
WORSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING

CALL TO WORSHIP (Colleen Jahns)

L: Pause. Breathe.

C: In. Out.

L: Rest and take a breath.

C: In. Out.

L: Wait. Listen.

C: In. Out.

L: Meet the silence.

C: In. Out.

L: Find yourself.

C: In. Out.

L: Come alive.

C: Let us worship.

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

P: God, we come with adoration and confession. In you we find rest; 'Holy rest', anytime we need it. And when we make space for it, intentionally, specifically, faithfully. We find a holy peace, within your security and love.

(Silence)

C: Today as we pray to step into your presence and peace. We join into a story and a promise. of a healing and redemptive love, of unconditional grace, where you are the central character, and we are invited into a relationship. How lucky we are to have this opportunity! We are counted as being so valuable to you that you invite us to rest in your love. Today we acknowledge those times when we take our relationship with you too much for granted. The times when we think of ourselves as more special than others, and more deserving of your attention. We are sorry for our prayer requests born out of selfish agendas, or the desire for personal comfort over and above the welfare of all.

P: Merciful God, we thank you, for though flawed and human as we are you refuse to deny us any mercy. We are blessed as forgiven people. And so, we rest, in this moment, knowing ourselves loved and adored.

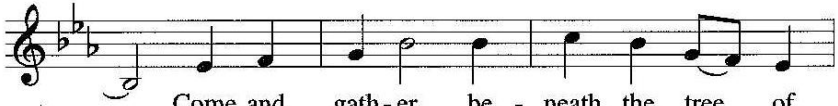
C: Amen.

ENTRANCE HYMN: Beneath the Tree Of Life. vv 4,5

Refrain



Come and gath-er be - neath the tree of life.



Come and gath-er be - neath the tree of



life— root of wis - dom, branch of peace, fruit of



heal - ing and re - lease. Come and



gath-er be - neath the tree of life.

Verses



1. Here we raise the sav - ing cross of
2. Flow - ing from this tree of grace and
3. Come and drink the wa - ters of sal -
4. Here be - neath the branch - es of your
5. Root - ed in the rich earth of your



Je - sus,	sing - ing	praise	to him	who
pas - sion,	Oh how	sweet	the taste,	how
va - tion,	come and	die	to sin,	rise
mer - cy,	we in - voke	your name,	re -	
Gos - pel,	may we	bear	the fruits	your



leads us on from death in - to new life.
deep and rich the well - spring of your love.
up to life with - in the Reign of God.
mem - ber how your love has set us free.
Word has plant - ed deep with - in our hearts.

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.**

HYMN: ELW 532 – Gather Us In

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

P: Sweet child of mine, come to me and rest. Let go of worry, doubt, and the feeling of aloneness. Settle a while with me. Know yourself cherished and cared for.

C: Thank you God, we need your assurance. Life is very busy. We have not been able to stop. Sometimes life is hard God. We feel as if we never get a moment to ourselves. There is always somebody needing something. There is too much to do. Too little time to do it all. It is good to acknowledge this. We know it is only a start. For you are hearing us and the Spirit gifts us with your love and assurance. Help us find our rest in you. Help us care for one another and all have created, making time for rest – Holy rest, that we might find the grace and peace of Christ for our daily lives.

P: Hear again, Sweet child of mine, come to me and rest. Let go of your worry, doubt, the feeling of aloneness. Settle a while with me. Know yourself cherished and cared for.

C: Amen.

WORD

CHILDREN'S TIME

READING FROM SCRIPTURE: Hebrews 4:1-11 (Margaret Sadler)

Therefore, while the promise of entering his rest is still open, let us take care that none of you should seem to have failed to reach it. For indeed the good news came to us just as to them; but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened. For we who have believed enter that rest, just as God has said, ‘As in my anger I swore, “They shall not enter my rest”’, though his works were finished at the foundation of the world. For in one place it speaks about the seventh day as follows: ‘And God rested on the

seventh day from all his works.’ And again in this place it says, ‘They shall not enter my rest.’ Since therefore it remains open for some to enter it, and those who formerly received the good news failed to enter because of disobedience, again he sets a certain day—‘today’—saying through David much later, in the words already quoted, ‘Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts.’ For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not speak later about another day. So then, a sabbath rest still remains for the people of God; for those who enter God’s rest also cease from their labours as God did from his. Let us therefore make every effort to enter that rest, so that no one may fall through such disobedience as theirs.

Word of God; Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

ACCLAMATION

Re - turn to the

6
Lord, your— God, who is gra - cious and mer - ci - ful,

11
slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast

15
love. and a bounding in stead-fast love.

A Reading From The Gospel Of Matthew, the 11th Chapter:

Matthew 11:28-29 (Margaret Sadler)

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

‘Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

The Gospel of our Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: ACS 1017 – Come To Me, O Weary Traveler

LENTEN CREED

We believe that our lives are held within the encircling love of God, who knows our names and recognises our deepest needs.

We believe that Christ is the divine Child of the living God, and that his grace is like living waters that can never be exhausted.

We believe in the birthing, renewing, enabling Spirit of God who yearns over our welfare as a mother yearns for her child.

We believe that God is in the arid desert as well as in green pastures, and that hard times and disciplines are also loving gifts.

We believe that our journey has a purpose and a destination, and that our path leads to a human glory we cannot yet imagine. We believe that in the church we are fellow pilgrims on the road, and that we are called to love one another as God loves us.

This is our faith that we are humbled to profess in Jesus the Christ. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION (Colleen Jahns)

Come to me, and I will give you rest, we hear Jesus promise. So we come, with all our prayers for the church, the world and those in need.

A brief silence.

Comforting and consoling God, we pray today for people who are busy. Busy with work, with education, with family care, with health, with creativity, and with worship. We are busy because we have deadlines to meet, because we have appointments to keep, because we want to finish something, to give time for something else, even time to do nothing. Help us make decisions to lead us to times of rest. Help us merciful God, **we plead.**

We are busy for many reasons including that people have selected us to serve, to be part of the greater cause, to contribute to the good of the organisation and wider society. We are busy running the house, seeing to our children's needs, our parent's needs, our own needs. Life is often frantic. Sometimes with lots of good edifying "stuff" and sometimes with the wrong stuff. Today let us stop. Let busy people find a way to stop. Let us rest our bodies; rest our minds; recharge; reset our souls as well as the physical parts of who we are. Help us merciful God, **we plead.**

Rest is part of health. A healthy world needs rest. Healthy bodies, minds and souls need rest. We pray for all those who need rest, health, help, and healing including: **the family and friends of Betty Querengesser, Mike Wende**, those on the extended prayer list, and those we name silently or aloud. Help us merciful God, **we plead**.

HOSANNA ONGOING PRAYERS: Aldon, Pamela Beuerlein, Pat and Morley Becker, Carole Hernder, Gail Hadfield, Tom Hampton, Linda Serink, Gordon and Marlene Chapman, Dana Lesmeister, Archie Martin, Kay, Sheila Wood, Dianne and Tom Kieren, Shawn Marino, Ariella S., Chantel, Nathaniel Rietveld, Emily Stebner, Beth Olsen, Jacquie Gross, Ken Hansen, Erwin Marquardt, Donald Tough, Deliah Johannas, Sherry Clark, Al Wende, Liz Wise, Holly Armstrong, Darlene Brown, Marilyn Beebe, Debbie Simpson, Dianne Begert, Dale Grinde, Elaine McKinlay, George Kubinski, Chelsea Sloan, Don Vinge, Millie Dofka, Wes Baines, Hilda Lindae

LAKELAND ONGOING PRAYERS: Jan (Yawn), John, Cornel, Helen, Nathan, Veronica, Avery, Mel, Joe, Eric, Phyllis, Kari, Barb

Your church also requires the healthy balance of work and rest. Inspire us to work in your name in the world, and to find our rest in you so that we are emboldened to go out again in service to the world in need. Today come with prayers for our siblings in the faith that they might also find the balance of work and rest, and we pray for Bishop Jason and the people of the MNO Synod. All retired bishops, pastors, deacons, and other church leaders. Edmonton New Life Chinese Lutheran and Holy Spirit Lutheran, Edmonton. Divine Redeemer, San Miguel. San Marcos Congregation, Colombia. The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Argentina. The Anglican Diocese of the Arctic. The Anglican Diocese of Edmonton. The United Church of Canada. Help us merciful God, **we plead**.

We give you thanks for the gift of life! For life with you and one another. Pour out your blessings on these members of Hosanna and Lakeland's congregations as they celebrate their birthdays and anniversaries during the coming week: **Erwin Veugelers, Beckett Hector, Piper Hector, Marlene Siefert, Tammy Chapman**. Bless them on their day and in the year to come. Help us celebrate merciful God, **we plead**.

P: God, we thank you for you put neither block nor hindrance on people like us, indeed, all people, from finding the path to be drawn into your embrace, and finding a peace and consolation in your company. We call it Holy Rest. Close to you, close within you, and you invite all to enter. **C: Amen**.

THE PEACE

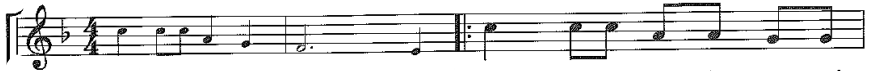
MEAL

OFFERING

Financial offerings to Hosanna can be made by putting your gift in the offering plates at the back of the sanctuary, dropping it off in the mailbox, sending it in the mail or through e-transfer to donations@hosannalutheran.ab.ca. If you would like to designate your gift, please do so in the memo line. PAR (preauthorized remittance) forms can be found by the Black Counter for monthly donations.

OFFERING MUSIC: What Wondrous Love Is This (Spiritoso!)

OFFERING CANTICLE: Come, Let Us Bring, vv. 1, 2



- [A] or [I]
1. Come, let us bring the warm and
 2. Come, let us bring the sweet a -
 3. Praise be to you who set all



fra - grant bread.
bun - dant wine.
peo - ple free.

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Praise be to you who set all



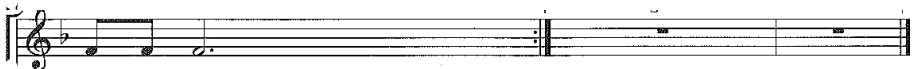
fra - grant bread.
bun - dant wine.
peo - ple free.

Bro - ken here so all God's peo - ple
In this cup we taste the joy of
Blest are they who share the feast of



might be fed.
grace di - vine.
ju - bi - lee.

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OFFERTORY PRAYER (Colleen Jahns)

L: God, who is the giver of gifts we thank you for health, work, and rest. We thank you for people—family, friends and the surprising exchanges with strangers that bring colour to our days. We thank you for the world in which we live. We thank you for this faith community we call church—for the people we journey with in faith development, for people with whom we can laugh and ‘rest’, for people with whom we serve. Bless the gifts we offer now of time, talent, and money. We ask that they be used to further your work in the world. **C: Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



☐ The Lord be with you. ☑ And al - so with you.



☐ Lift up your hearts. ☑ We lift them to the Lord. ☐ Let us give thanks to the



Lord our God. ☑ It is right to give our thanks and praise.—

PREFACE

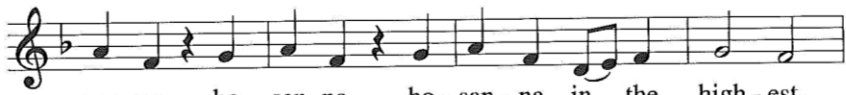
HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



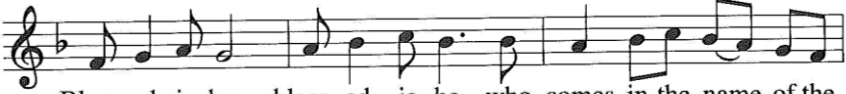
☑ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord, God of power and



might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho -



san-na, ho - san-na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless-ed is he, bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the



Lord. Ho - san-na, ho - san-na, ho - san-na in the



high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

SIMPLE AMEN

Musical notation for 'SIMPLE AMEN' in 4/4 time, G major. The melody is written on a single staff. The lyrics are: A - men, A - men, A - men.

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.




DISTRIBUTION: All are welcome at the Lord's Table. Communion is celebrated in a continuous fashion around the altar. Please come forward to receive a wafer/gluten free option and pick up a cup for the wine/grape juice. Please put your used small cup in the container provided. If you prefer

to be served at your seat, please tell an usher. If you have questions about what to do, please ask.


The Body of Christ given for you.
The Blood of Christ shed for you.

LAMB OF GOD

Musical notation for 'LAMB OF GOD' in 2/4 time, G major. The melody is written on a single staff. The lyrics are: Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of

14 

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the

19 

world: grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

HYMNS DURING DISTRIBUTION

ELW 481 – Come To The Table

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE:

By Your Hand You Feed Your People, v. 1, 2

Verses



1. By your hand you feed your peo - ple food of
 2. In this meal we taste your sweet - ness, bread for
 3. Send us now with faith and cour - age to the

3 

an - gels, heav - en's bread. For these gifts we did not
 hun - ger, wine of peace. Ho - ly word and ho - ly
 hun - gry, lost, be - reaved. In our liv - ing and our

6 

la - bor; by your grace have we been fed: Christ's own
 wis - dom, sat - is - fy our deep - est needs.
 dy - ing, we be - come what we re - ceive:

9 

bod - y, — blest and bro - ken, Cup o'er - flow - ing, life out -

12 

poured, giv - en as a liv - ing to - ken of your

15 

world re - deemed, re - stored.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER:

P: God of all creation, in this meal you have bound us to yourself, at this table we have tasted your goodness. Strengthen us by your grace that we might more perfectly praise you and more faithfully love one another through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

SENDING

SENDING (Colleen Jahns)

L: In the week ahead, may you find time to: Pause. Breathe. Rest. Take a breath. Wait. Listen. Meet the silence. Hold it. Find yourself. Come alive in it. May Holy Rest be with you all. **C: Amen.**

BLESSING:

P: May the Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace. In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING HYMN: ELW 547 - Sent Forth By God’s Blessing

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Proclaim the good news.
C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Permission to livestream the music in this service obtained from OneLicense with license “A-733297”.

Lenten Creed: from *Traveling to Easter with Jesus as our Guide*, posted on the website of Patmos Abbey—The Order of Saint Columba.

<http://www.patmosabbey.org/>

<i>With thanks to those serving today:</i>	
Reader	Margaret Sadler
Lay Leader	Colleen Jahns
Altar Guild	Dan Wold
Special Music	Spiritoso!
Greeters	Clayton S.R., Chris Terry
A/V Technology	Helena Hendricksen, Cindy Schriener
Hospitality	Sherry Suvanto, Chris Terry

TODAY

10am Holy Communion

11am Sunday School



You are invited to join us in celebrating Holy Communion today at 10am. Please prepare in advance by having bread or a gluten-free option, and wine or grape juice available to be shared. You are also invited to make your worship space special as you join us in worship. **Communion supplies are available at the church.**

THIS WEEK: March 31st – April 6th

MONDAY 10am Gentlemen's Coffee/ 8pm AIAnon

TUESDAY 10am Care/ 10am Painters/ **2pm Funeral: Norma Enders/**
7pm 12-Step/ 7pm JRF Church

WEDNESDAY 10:30am Quilters/ 10:30am Staff

THURSDAY 10am Bible Study/ **12pm Lenten Soup & Study/**

1:30pm Lenten Service/ 2pm Food Bank/ 5pm Confirmation/
5:15pm Handbells/ 6pm JRF Church/ 6pm Scouts/ 7pm Choir

FRIDAY 8am HTH Group/ 6pm JRF Church

SATURDAY 8am 12 Step Group/ 10am Funeral (private)/ 1pm Music
Recital

SUNDAY 10am Service of the Word/ 11am Sunday School/ 2pm JRF Church

STAFF AWAY DATES:

Pr. Anna @ LLC April 17th – 20th

Pr. James @ LLC April 25th – 27th

- ❖ The April/ May/June **Eternity For Today** can be found on the Black Counter. Pick up your copy today!
- ❖ **Lenten Soup & Buns:** We need 2 people each Thursday (*on the Lenten dates below*) to provide soup and buns, serving at 12pm. If you would love to cook your own soup to share, please add your name to the sign-up sheet on the Black Counter.



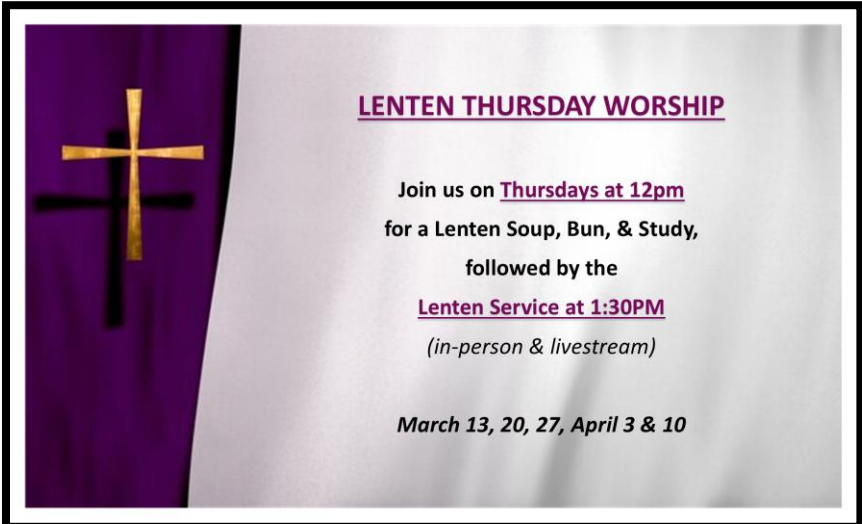
The **outdoor cleanup** is scheduled for **April 26th, 2025**. The cleanup will be between **9-11:30am** (*approximately*). There will be donuts and refreshments following the cleanup. Please bring your own gloves, rakes, and tools that you might need.

❖ **Donation Tax Receipts:** On December 30, 2024, the Department of Finance announced the Federal Government's intention to extend the deadline for making charitable donations eligible for tax support in the 2024 tax year. It has drafted legislation in support of this change, and Canada Revenue Agency has confirmed that it will administer this 2024 deadline extension for charitable donations.

As a result of these actions by the Government, donations made from January 1 through February 28, 2025, can be claimed on your 2024 income tax return. Alternatively, you can claim these donations on your 2025 tax return, or carry them forward to claim in any of the following five years.

In support of these options, official donation receipts for January and February 2025 have been prepared and have either been emailed to you, or put in your Hosanna mailbox. Receipts for the remainder of the year (March through December 2025) will be produced in January 2026.

If you have any questions regarding this, or wish to receive your receipt in another format (electronic or paper), please contact Colleen Jahns, Financial Secretary, at 780-436-8161 or financialsecretary@hosannalutheran.ab.ca

A poster for Lenten Thursday Worship. The left side features a purple background with a gold cross. The right side has a light grey background with text. The text is centered and includes the title, time, and dates of the service.

LENTEN THURSDAY WORSHIP

Join us on **Thursdays at 12pm**
for a Lenten Soup, Bun, & Study,
followed by the
Lenten Service at 1:30PM
(in-person & livestream)

March 13, 20, 27, April 3 & 10

YOUTH FUNDRAISER

Order: March 16th—30th



Pick up: April 13th



Order forms can be picked up on the Black Counter or from a Hosanna youth on Sunday in the Narthex.

We are excited to announce a brand-new fundraising opportunity in partnership with **Salisbury Greenhouse!** Indicate on our signup sheet what you would like for us to order for you.

Holy Week Schedule

Sunday, April 13: 10am Palm Sunday

Thursday, April 17: 7pm Maundy Thursday

Friday, April 18: 10am Good Friday

Sunday, April 20: 10am Easter Sunday

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OUR VISION *Empowered by dynamic and creative liturgical Lutheran worship, Hosanna Lutheran Church will lead Edmonton in equipping Christians for spiritual growth and service.*

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