



THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

March 15, 2020

Worship Services: 10 AM and 5 PM

Church office hours: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM, Monday—Thursday

Bulletin deadline: Wednesday Noon

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“And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work.”

2 Corinthians 9:8

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GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Prelude: “In Heavenly Love Abiding” Flor Peeters; Rick Deasley; Dale Wood

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: “Like a Deer”

Juan Salinas

Like a deer, seeking streams of water,
So my soul cries with longing for you, O Lord;
Day and night, I thirst for only you and you alone do I seek.
Fill me, Lord. Fill me, O my Lord.
Give me more, more of your great love.
I thirst for you, only for you. Fill my heart, O Lord.

* Opening Hymns: “Come, Now Is the Time to Worship”
“All Creatures of Our God and King”

#526
#551:1-3

* God’s Greeting

WE CONFESS OUR SIN AND PROFESS OUR FAITH

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Everlasting God,
fountain of all life and the true home of every heart:
our hearts are restless until they rest in you.
Yet we confess that our hearts have been enslaved
by selfish passion and twisted desire.
We have sought after many things
and have neglected the one thing needful.
We have not loved you with our whole hearts.
Have mercy on us, O God.
Help us to turn to you and find forgiveness.
Lead us home, that we may again find in you
our life, joy, and peace. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Lenten Hymn: “We are People on a Journey” #142:1-2

(Verse 1, responsive spoken interlude, verse 2.)

Walk, people of God! **Walk, people of God.**

With open hands and a giving spirit, **walk, people of God.**

With generous hearts, led by the Spirit, **walk, people of God.**

With God’s good gifts of abundance, **walk, people of God.**

* Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles’ Creed front cover of hymnal

* Song of Response: “Take My Life and Let It Be” #863:1-4

(Children may come forward during the final stanza.)

GOD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH HIS WORD

Message for Children

Blessing for Children

Leader: People of God, what is your prayer for these children?

Congregation: The Lord be with you.

Children: And also with you.

Congregation: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Anthem: “The Prayer of St. Francis”

Jeffrey Cobb

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:

where there is hatred, let me sow love;

where there is injury, pardon;

where there is doubt, faith;

where there is despair, hope;

where there is darkness, light;

where there is sadness, joy.

O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek

to be consoled as to console,

to be understood as to understand,

to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive,

it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,

and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

* Hymn of Preparation: "O God, My Faithful God"

#646:1,2,4

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: 2 Kings 5:19b-27

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Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon: **I WANT IT ALL**

Prayer of Application

WE RESPOND IN GRATITUDE

* Hymn of Response: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

#348:1-3

Presentation of Offerings and Passing of Friendship Pads

Offertory Prayer: Jesslyn DeBoer

Offering for Ministry Fund

Offertory: "Sarabande"

Johann Schenck

* Benediction

* Doxology: "Glory Be to the Father"

#961

* Postlude: "Two Trumpet Tunes"

Tommaso Albinoni

Liturgist: Pastoral Intern Lynette van de Hoef

Preacher: Rev. Brad Zwiers

Ministry of Music: Sanctuary Choir

Organist: Kenneth Bos

Scripture Reader: Sophia Bryson

Calvin CRC Announcements for March 15, 2020

WORSHIP Today, 10 AM and 5 PM

Morning worship: Rev. Brad Zwiers continues our seven deadly sins series with a sermon from 2 Kings 5:19b-27 on avarice.

The black dominating our Lenten banner symbolizes the death of our Lord, the red expresses Christ's suffering, and the branch represents his crown of thorns. These symbols are not meant to be concerned only with death and suffering. The thorny branch is white and flowering to indicate that from suffering triumph will come, and the red orb symbolizes Christ's victory. Just as the sun illumines, quickens, and comforts, so Christ as the "Son of Righteousness" gives new life to his own.

Evening worship: We welcome Becky Tjapkes, who was our student pastor in the summer of 2017, as she preaches from 1 John 4:7-21, "Perfect Love." Our high school and middle school youth, including the Joyringers and the youth choir, will help lead us in worship. The offering is for the Easttown Community Association.

WORSHIP Next Sunday, March 22, Fourth Sunday in Lent

Morning worship: We will continue our seven deadly sins series as Rev. Rebecca Jordan Heys preaches a sermon from Ephesians 4:25-5:2 on anger. The Allegro Ringers, Sanctuary Choir, and Nancy Summers will all help lead us in worship. The offering will be for Holland Home.

Evening worship: Lisa Meyer will preach from Judges 6:1-24, "A Mighty Warrior." We will worship in the Sanctuary, and the offering will be for Global Gifts.

Lent Series: Our morning sermons during the season of Lent are structured around the seven deadly sins, and sermon titles are taken from the chapters of *Glittering Vices* by Rebecca Konyndyk DeYoung. Upcoming sermons:

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| March 22 | Anger: Holy Emotion or Hellish Passion?
Pastor Rebecca preaches from Ephesians 4:25-5:2 |
| March 29 | Gluttony: Feeding Your Face and Starving Your Heart
Pastor Brad preaches from Psalm 34 |
| April 5 | Lust: Smoke, Fire, and Ashes
Pastor Rebecca preaches from 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 |

Staff notes: Pastor Rebecca is on vacation through March 16. If you desire pastoral care during that time, please contact Pastor Brad, Pastor Jake, your district Elder, or the church office.

COUNCIL NEWS

In light of the recent outbreak of coronavirus (COVID-19) we urge the congregation to take prudent steps to protect yourselves, your family, and your fellow congregants. The CDC suggests the following as everyday preventive actions:

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe.
- Wash hands frequently with soap and water. If soap and water are not readily available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.

(We have placed additional dispensers around the church.)

If further measures are advised by the CDC, we will inform the congregation. As always, elbow bumps, fist bumps, or warm smiles are appropriate alternatives to a handshake when greeting and welcoming fellow congregants.

CHURCH FAMILY

The flowers in the sanctuary today have been given in loving memory of Chris Ekdokm by **Don Ekdokm** and the Ekdokm family.

Together with **Rodger Rice** (district 3) and his family, we mourn the death and celebrate the life of **Dorothy Kelling** (district 9). Dorothy passed away on Sunday morning, March 8, at the age of 103. Plans are currently being made for a memorial service in April.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRIES

TLC and CHILDREN'S WORSHIP:

2 - 4 year-olds	"Jesus Is Baptized"	Melanie, Jacqueline, Henry
K - 2 nd grade	"Jesus Appears to Thomas"	

MEETINGS, ACTIVITIES, AND EVENTS

Today—**ADULT EDUCATION:** Faith and Loss. Presenter: Chris and Julie Reuschel, Founders of Faith45. (Julie is Don Ekdokm's granddaughter.)

Everyone has a story, and often those stories include loss. In 2016 the Reuschels' story added a chapter they never anticipated when they lost their little girl at birth. Through all the pain and questioning, they were called to share their story and provide hope for others. Faith45 provides mentoring and memory boxes to those who experience miscarriage or infant loss, seeking to offer support in difficult times.

Next Sunday—**ADULT EDUCATION:** Southwestern Indian Art

Presenter: Gordon Kamps. A verbal and visual PowerPoint presentation of some of the types of art produced by the native artisans of New Mexico (Navajo, Pueblo, and Apache). This will be accompanied, by examples of Pueblo pottery, Navajo weavings, and jewelry as drawn and painted by the presenter on a computer.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: All women are welcome to a time of conversation and discipleship on Wednesday mornings, 9:30-11:00, in Room 1. This spring we will finish our two previous study guides, "Questions God Asks" and "Questions Jesus Asks." We will meet for the first time on March 18 to discuss "Why Are You Crying Out to Me?" from Exodus 14:5-25. Contact Pastor Rebecca or Sharon Hecker if you have questions or need a copy of the study guide.

FAMILY SUPPER: A light supper will be provided at church on March 18 for adults and their children, especially those involved in Wednesday evening programming. Districts 3 and 4 will serve food from 5:00-6:30.

FESTIVAL CHOIR: In this season of Lent we look forward to the celebration of Easter which will follow. Our Festival Choir and Allegro Ringers will lead an Easter Festival Service on April 19, which is the second Sunday of Eastertide. Festival Choir rehearsals will be on one Tuesday, March 31, and two Wednesdays, April 8 and 15, all at 7:30 PM. We invite all interested singers to join the choir in singing at this special service.

LENTEN BREAKFAST REMINDER: April 1 is the date; 9:30 is the time. Come to remember our Lord's journey to the cross. Come to celebrate the victory of life we have in Christ. Come and fellowship with others as we enjoy good food.

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

Highly acclaimed American composer Dan Forrest will be in residency at Calvin University on April 1-4. His "Jubilate Deo" will be performed in the Covenant Fine Arts Center on Saturday, April 4, at 8:00 PM and will feature the Calvin University choirs, the Calvin Alumni Choir, soloists, and orchestra under the direction of Dr. Pearl Shangkuan. This multi-movement work is a joyful expression of Psalm 100 incorporating seven languages and a wide range of styles. For ticket information, contact the Calvin Box Office, 526-6282.

	<i>Today, Sunday, March 15, Third Sunday in Lent</i>
9:30a	Prayer Time (Prayer Room)
9:40a	Atrium Greeters: Bob & Lynn McBroom
	East Greeters: Corrin & Lisa Meyer
	Nursery Supervisor: Yvonne Triezenberg
	Nursery Helpers: Brian & Jackie Noordewier, Ella Jansen
11:15a	Library Volunteer: Anjean Stegink
	Coffee Servers: Crothers, Jansen
11:20a	Church School
11:30a	Adult Education: Faith and Loss. Presenter: Chris and Julie Reuschel
3:00p	Colossian Way "Human Sexuality" meets in Room 1
5:00p	Colossian Way "Politics" meets in Room 1
	<i>Monday, March 16</i>
10-12	Family Assistance
	<i>Tuesday, March 17</i>
9:30a	Family Assistance
6:30p	Deacons meet in Room 1
7:30p	Council meets in Room 16
	<i>Wednesday, March 18</i>
9:30a	Women's Bible Study meets in Room 1
5:00p	Family Supper in the Fellowship Hall
5:30p	Junior Bells
6-8p	Family Assistance open for volunteers
6:15p	Cherub Choir <i>and</i> Covenant Choir (Hendrikse)
	Allegro Ringers
7:00p	78ers, Cadets, GEMS
7:30p	Sanctuary Choir
	<i>Thursday, March 19</i>
9:00a	Take Charge meeting
9:30a	Family Assistance
6:30p	Eastown Basketball
	<i>Next Sunday, March 22, Fourth Sunday in Lent</i>
9:30a	Prayer Time (Prayer Room)
9:40a	Atrium Greeters: Tim & Lindsay Molenbeek
	East Greeters: Brian & Amy Netz
	Nursery Supervisor: Melisa Hubka
	Nursery Helpers: Bruce & Kathy Van Oss, Ethan Baker
11:15a	Library Volunteer: Lori Feenstra
	Coffee Servers: Schoone-Jongen, Hubka
11:20a	Church School
11:30a	Adult Education: Southwestern Indian Art. Presenter: Gordon Kamps
3:00p	Colossian Way "Human Sexuality" meets in Room 1
4:00p	Light of Christ Community meets in the Fellowship Hall
5:00p	Colossian Way "Politics" meets in Room 1
6:30p	CYG meets in the Catacomb