

FEBRUARY 22, 2026

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT



We invite you to help us create sacred space by turning off your electronic devices, breathing deeply, recognizing yourself and the people around you as created in God's image, and praying to be open to the Spirit of God among us.

YOU ARE WELCOME at Resurrection Lutheran Church, a congregation of the Metropolitan Chicago Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA).

CHILDREN are welcome in worship, and we give thanks for joyful noises made to the Lord! The playground table near the entrance has coloring supplies and the carpeted area in Fellowship Hall (through the doors by the pulpit) has toys and books for children and rocking chairs for parents.

Our sanctuary is great for music but can make hearing spoken words tricky. The pulpit side speakers work best and **HEARING ASSISTANCE** aids are available in the narthex (entryway) or from an usher. Larger print bulletins are also available in the narthex.

RESTROOMS are available at the bottom of the west stairs in the narthex (entryway) of the church. Accessible restrooms are available in the Fellowship Hall. Please ask an usher or pew neighbor if you need help locating facilities.

We are a **RECONCILING IN CHRIST** congregation, openly welcoming, celebrating the participation of, and advocating for/with people of all sexual orientations, gender expressions, and gender identities. In our baptismal affirmation, we promise to strive for justice and peace in all the earth and are committed to anti-racism in the church and world.

We receive **HOLY COMMUNION**, trusting God's promises that Jesus is fully present in, with, and under the bread and wine and that these elements are given and shed for us. Jesus is the host of this holy meal, and we trust he would invite all to come forward to receive. You can also come forward for a spoken blessing.

WORSHIPPING VIA ZOOM, the meeting link is on our website www.rlclakeview.com or go to www.zoom.com and use the following credentials: Meeting ID: 864 1603 4369 and Passcode: 588633. You can also call in using +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago).

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GATHERING

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

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin before God, who removes our guilt and blots out all offenses.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

For seeking worldly delights that deceive us and dishonor you: Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

For desiring self-reliance instead of hungering for your word: Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

For failing to recognize your coming reign,
and for hindering the work of the Spirit: Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

For drawing from the well of self-serving ambition,
and for disdaining the living water Christ offers: Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

For disregarding voices from the margin,
and for distrusting signs of your healing and hope in the world: Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

For dwelling in tombs of self-pity and discontent,
and for disregarding Christ's call to come forth to life: Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

God's steadfast love, grace, and forgiveness abound.
Through faith, the free gift of God, you have been clothed in the righteousness of Christ.

In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.
The Spirit of the One who raised Christ from the dead
dwells in you, pours God's love into your hearts,
and gives you life and peace.

Amen.

HYMN

O Lord, Throughout These Forty Days

ELW #319

We face the cross in procession during the opening hymn. Our hymns come from a variety of sources. Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW) is the red colored hymnal in our pews. We also draw from All Creation Sings (ACS), a resource we access digitally.



1 O Lord, through - out these for - ty days you
2 You strove with Sa - tan, and you won; your
3 Though parched and hun - gry, yet you prayed and
4 Be with us through this sea - son, Lord, and



prayed and kept the fast; in - spire re - pen - tance
faith - ful - ness en - dured; lend us your nerve, your
fixed your mind a - bove; so teach us to de -
all our earth - ly days, that when the fi - nal



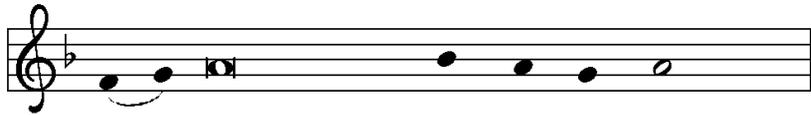
for our sin, and free us from our past.
skill and trust in God's e - ter - nal word.
ny our - selves that we may know God's love.
Eas - ter dawns, we join in heav - en's praise.

GREETING

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

And also with you.

KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



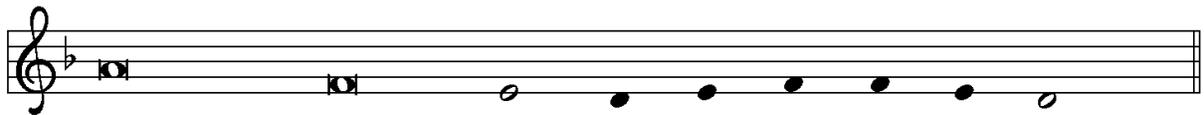
For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - va - tion, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



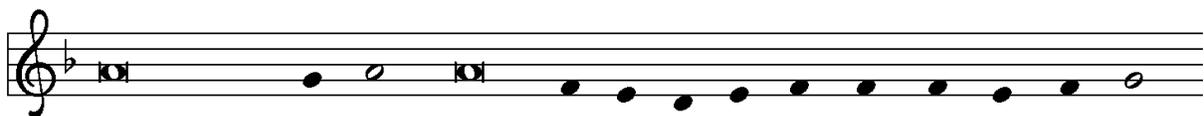
For the peace of the whole world, for the well - being of the church of God,



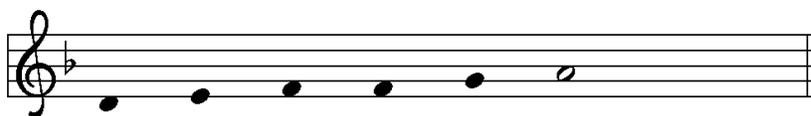
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



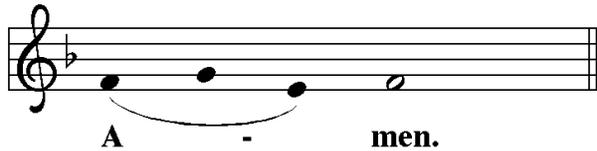
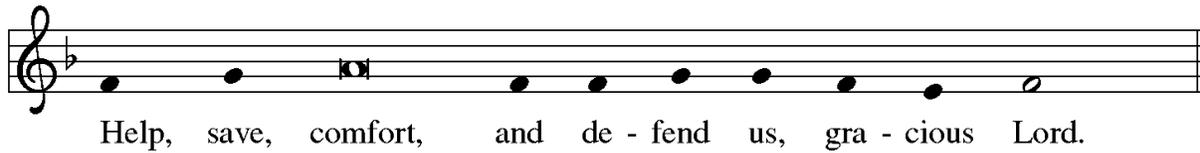
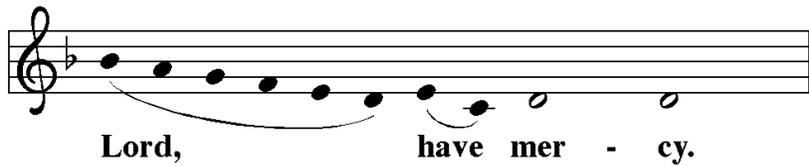
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this ho - ly house, and for all who of - fer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray: Lord God, our strength, the struggle between good and evil rages within and around us, and the devil and all the forces that defy you tempt us with empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your word, and when we fall, raise us again and restore us through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING: Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

Laura Fosler

A reading from Genesis:

¹⁵ The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. ¹⁶ And the LORD God commanded the man, “You may freely eat of every tree of the garden, ¹⁷ but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.”

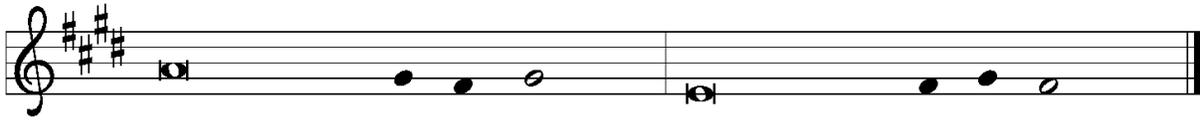
^{3:1} Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God say, ‘You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?’” ² The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, ³ but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.’” ⁴ But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not die, ⁵ for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” ⁶ So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food and that it was a delight to the eyes and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. ⁷ Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked, and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

After the reading:

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 32



- ¹ Happy are they whose transgressions | are forgiven,
and whose sin is | put away!
- ² **Happy are they to whom the LORD im- | putes no guilt,
and in whose spirit there | is no guile!**
- ³ While I held my tongue, my bones with- | ered away,
because of my groaning | all day long.
- ⁴ **For your hand was heavy upon me | day and night;
my moisture was dried up as in the | heat of summer.**
- ⁵ Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not con- | ceal my guilt.
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." Then you forgave me the
guilt | of my sin.
- ⁶ **Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in | time of trouble;
when the great waters overflow, they | shall not reach them.**
- ⁷ You are my hiding-place; you preserve | me from trouble;
you surround me with shouts | of deliverance.
- ⁸ **"I will instruct you and teach you in the way that | you should go;
I will guide you | with my eye.**
- ⁹ Do not be like horse or mule, which have no | understanding;
who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will | not stay near you."
- ¹⁰ **Great are the tribulations | of the wicked;
but mercy embraces those who trust | in the LORD.**
- ¹¹ Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice | in the LORD;
shout for joy, all who are | true of heart.

SECOND READING: Romans 5:12-19

Frank Patrick

A reading from Romans:

¹² Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned ¹³ for sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. ¹⁴ Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those who did not sin in the likeness of Adam, who is a pattern of the one who was to come. ¹⁵ But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. ¹⁶ And the gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the gift following many trespasses brings justification. ¹⁷ If, because of the one man's trespass, death reigned through that one, much more surely will those who receive the

abundance of grace and the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ. ¹⁸ Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. ¹⁹ For just as through the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so through the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

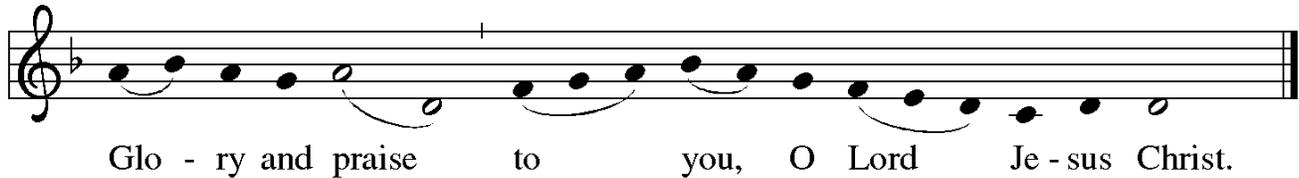
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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Cantor sings phrase once then all repeat. Cantor sings verse then all sing phrase again.



Verse: One does not live by ¹ bread alone,* but by every word that comes from the ¹ mouth of God.

GOSPEL: Matthew 4:1-11

The holy gospel according to Matthew:

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tested by the devil. ² He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterward he was famished. ³ The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." ⁴ But he answered, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'" ⁵ Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, ⁶ saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" ⁷ Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" ⁸ Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory, ⁹ and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." ¹⁰ Then Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'" ¹¹ Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

The gospel of the Lord,

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Silence for meditation follows the sermon.



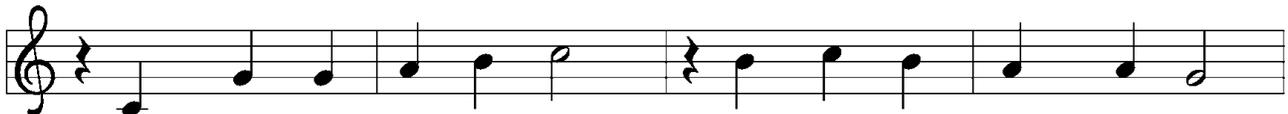
1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -
 2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -
 3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat - 'ning to de -
 4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who



to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and
 ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom
 your us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they
 fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with



wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe
 God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?
 can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;
 weap - ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,



has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might
 The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,
 in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;
 goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,



he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.
 God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.
 God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.
 they can - not win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

NICENE CREED

With the whole church, we confess our faith using the words of the Nicene Creed.

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Tabitha Barer

Reconciled by God's mercy and sustained by God's presence, let us pray for the world and its needs.

A brief silence.

God of all grace, grant faith to your church. Give to all the baptized the will to resist temptation and to worship and serve you alone. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of all nations, preserve us from trouble. Surround all living in places of violence with your steadfast love and give resilience to all who work for peace. Grant courage to those who challenge, especially around issues of racism and systemic oppression. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of all healing, mend our wounds. Bring wholeness to all who are sick, give peace to all who groan in grief, and send companions to all who are lonely or isolated. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Lord, we give thanks for the opportunity the Lakeview Lutheran Parish youth had this weekend to be in retreat. We pray that their time has been inspirational, refreshing and renewing. We are grateful for the adult supervision and leadership they have received and we pray for safe travel as they return home. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

God of all life, bring us to you. We thank you for your free and abounding grace, and for those who, by that same grace, now rest eternally in you. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Receive our prayers, O God, through Jesus Christ, our strength and salvation.

Amen.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

GREETING OF PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

We sit after greeting one another in peace.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY MUSIC

Duet: Hold Thou, Me Up Benedetto Marcello (1686-1739)

OFFERING

Our offerings include our time, talents, and treasures. Please bring forward when you come to commune or receive a blessing. If you prefer to give online, please visit www.rlclakeview.com/give or Zelle: giving@rlclakeview.com.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Tabitha Barer

Let us pray: O God, maker of heaven and earth,
your steadfast love embraces all creation.
You send rain and sunshine to nourish the earth
and bring forth its bounty.
Through these gifts of bread and wine,
draw us into the death and life of your Son,
who calls us to bear witness to his saving work.
We ask this in Jesus' name.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also 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.

PROPER PREFACE FOR THE SEASON OF LENT

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ.

You call your people to cleanse their hearts
and prepare with joy for the paschal feast,
that, renewed in the gift of baptism,
we may come to the fullness of your grace.

And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

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

Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God of the universe.

Your mercy is everlasting

and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.

Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.

Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.

Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness

to the land of milk and honey.

Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.

Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.

Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

In the night in which he was betrayed,

our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;

broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,

and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,

shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:



Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

O God of resurrection and new life:

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine.

Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread.

Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.

Breathe new life into us.

Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

Come, Holy Spirit.

With your holy ones of all times and places,

with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars,

we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.



A - men, a - men. A - men, a - men.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our congregation sings or prays the Lord's Prayer in a variety of ways. During this season, we speak the prayer using the version released by the English Language Liturgical Consultation (ELLC) in 1988.

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**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

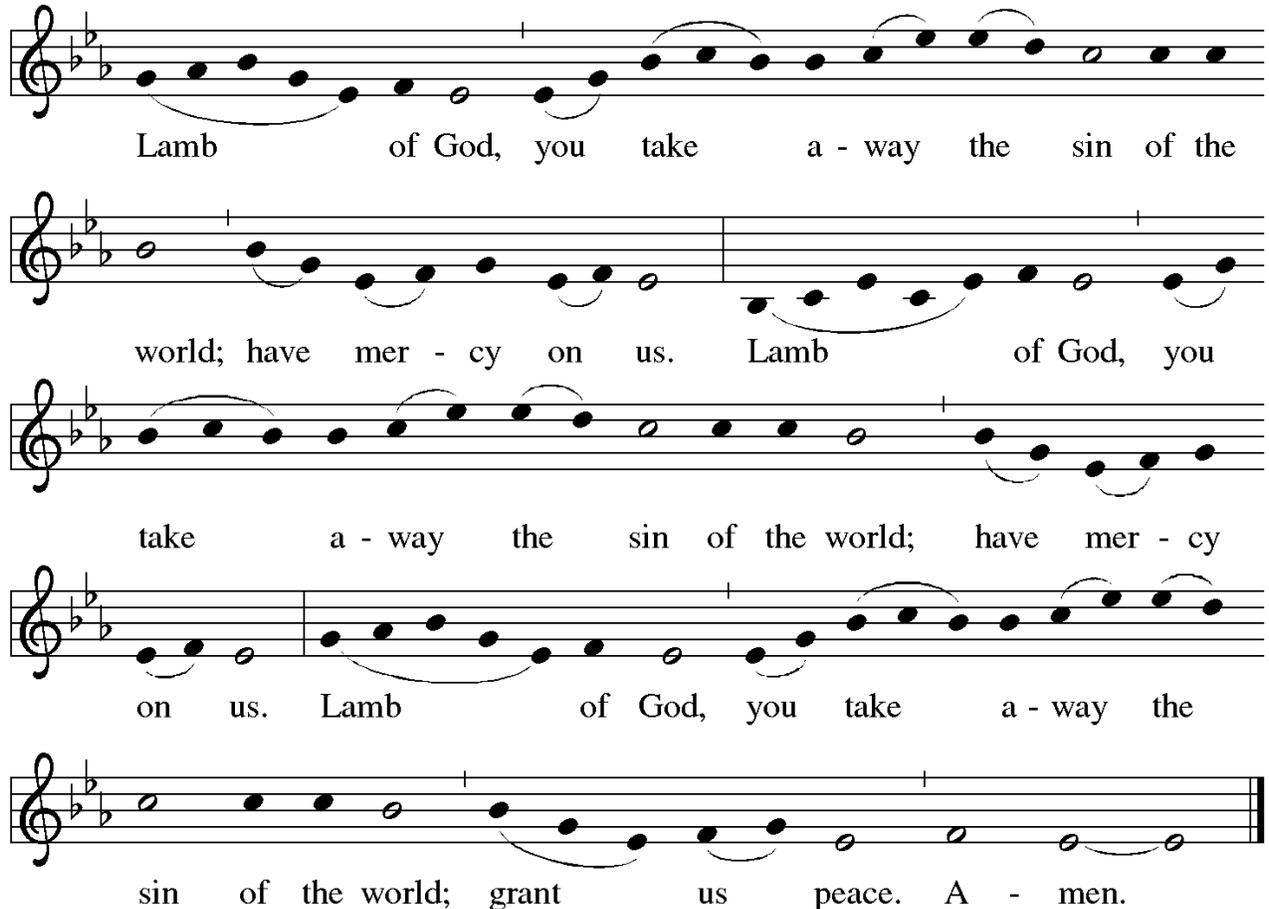
Come to the table. Feast on God's goodness and mercy.

Thanks be to God!

COMMUNION

We receive communion in the form of bread (a gluten-free option is available) and wine or grape juice by intinction (dipping just the wafer in the chalice). We trust that Jesus is fully present in, with, and under the bread and that the sacrament is given "for me." Those not communing are welcome to come forward for a spoken blessing.

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy
on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace. A - men.

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

ELW #325

I want Jesus to walk with me; I want Jesus to walk with me;
all along my pilgrim journey, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

In my trials, Lord, walk with me; in my trials, Lord, walk with me;
when my heart is almost breaking, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me; when I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me;
when my head is bowed in sorrow, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

After all have returned to their places, we stand as able.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Tabitha Barer

Let us pray: God of our salvation,
we give you thanks for this meal that restores our souls,
reconciles us to you, and strengthens us for the journey.
Through the body and blood of your Son,
may we become Christ's body in the world,
bearing witness to your love for all creation,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

SENDING HYMN

When We Are Tested

ACS #922



1 When we are test - ed and wres - tle a - lone,
2 When in the des - ert we cry for re - lief,
3 When we are tempt - ed to bar - ter our souls,
4 When we have strug - gled and searched through the night,



fam - ished for bread when the world of - fers stone,
plead - ing for paths marked by cer - tain be - lief,
trad - ing the truth for the pow'r to con - trol,
sort - ing and sift - ing the wrong from the right,



nour - ish us, God, by your word and your way,
lift us to love you be - yond sign and test,
teach us to wor - ship and praise on - ly you,
Sav - ior, sur - round us with cir - cles of care,



food that sus - tains us by night and by day.
trust - ing your pres - ence, our on - ly true rest.
seek - ing your will in the work that we do.
an - gels of heal - ing, of hope, and of prayer.

BLESSING

Receive the blessing of the holy Trinity:
God, who calls all things into existence,
Jesus Christ, who redeems us,
and the Holy Spirit, whose breath sustains creation,
✠ bless you now and always.

Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Believe the good news.

Thanks be to God.

Tabitha Barer

Following the dismissal, some people will remain in the pews to listen to the postlude. Others will quietly greet one another or depart toward Fellowship Hall (through the door next to the pulpit) or out the doors onto the sidewalk when weather is mild.

POSTLUDE

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

PREACHER/PRESIDER
Pastor Sharai Jacob

TABLESETTER
Megan Hunt

ZOOM HOST
Danie Muriello

ASSISTING MINISTER
Tabitha Barer

USHERS
Stephanie and
Rob Youngmman

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC
Gary Jensen

LECTOR
Laura Fosler
Frank Patrick

ACOLYTE
Zach Dirlam

SOLOIST
Daniela Pepe

Upcoming Commemorations

Elizabeth Fedde, deaconess, died 1921

Wednesday, February 25, 2026

Born in Norway and trained there as a deaconess, Fedde was asked to come and minister to the poor and to seamen in New York City. She established the Deaconess House in Brooklyn as well as Deaconess Hospital in Minneapolis.

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IN OUR PRAYERS

STEWARDSHIP TEAM PRAYER

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FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL, HOSPITALIZED, OR RECOVERING AT HOME

Phyllis Apelbaum, *friend of David Thoele*

Sharon Bibbs, *friend of Dirlams*

Wes Calkins, *father of Sara Calkins*

Clemmer family, *friends of Dirlams*

George Eck, *friend of Dirlams*

Clayton Gard, *nephew of Harry Tingley*

Michael Hazard, *friend of David Thoele*

Larry Jensen, *friend of the Youngmans*

Harvey Kahler

Robert Lay, *friend of David Thoele*

Dave Mackey, *father of Tricia Mackey-Shew*

Joan and Bob Madsen, *sister and brother-in-law of Eloise Thompson*

Padraig McGuire

Patricia McGuire, *mother of Padraig McGuire*

Lucy Negron, *former neighbor of Sherman Hicks*

Anne Roberts

Lauren Schmees, *sister-in-law of Katie Schmees*

Mike Schmees, *father of Katie Schmees*

David Schuman, *nephew of Opal Katsma*

Robert Schuman, *brother of Opal Katsma*

Margaret Traves, *cousin of Linda Chin*

Charlotte VanDenburgh, *mother of Ann Marie Walsh*

FOR THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Alexandra and Spencer Crowe, *niece and spouse of Rick Kline*

Joshua Fairbanks, *family of Rick Kline*

Jonathan and Mark Bangert, *family of the Ericksons*

Christian Youngman

FOR THOSE BAPTIZED THIS YEAR

Miller Mainquist 2.15

FOR THOSE WHO MOURN THE DEATH OF

Bill VanDenburgh, *uncle of Ann Marie Walsh*

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Viktoria Kassis 2.1

Michael Kassis 2.10

Kurt Larson 2.12

Erik Leahy 2.14

Hank Angelino 2.19

Charlotte Apel 2.28

Ryan Hunt 2.28

We try to keep our prayer list up to date. If you would like to add or edit someone, please let us know by leaving a note in the offering, emailing or calling the church office (773) 525-0605.

IN OUR COMMUNITY

OUR PREACHER/PRESIDER THIS MORNING: PASTOR SHARAI JACOB

Pastor Sharai serves as a pastor at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, one of our neighbor congregations and fellow member of the Lakeview Lutheran Parish. Pastor Sharai leads weekly Saturday evening worship at HT Loop, the campus in the South Loop, and coordinates the South Loop Campus Ministry, a joint venture of the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago and the Metropolitan Chicago Synod of the ELCA.

THE SEASON OF LENT

On Ash Wednesday we began our forty-day journey toward Easter with a day of fasting and repentance. Marking our foreheads with dust, we acknowledge that we die and return to the earth. At the same time, the dust traces the life-giving cross indelibly marked on our foreheads at baptism. While we journey through Lent to return to God, we have already been reconciled to God through Christ. We humbly pray for God to make our hearts clean while we rejoice that “now is the day of salvation.” Returning to our baptismal call, we more intentionally bear the fruits of mercy and justice in the world.



LENTEN CALENDAR AND SPECIAL OFFERING ELCA WORLD HUNGER

Calendars for this Lenten Season from ELCA World Hunger are available in the narthex (entryway). During this season we also collect a special offering for ELCA World Hunger. You can do so through the giving link on our website: www.rlclakeview.com/give or mark your special offering in the plate on Sundays.

One out of every 11 people — as many as 720 million — in our world are hungry. As members of the ELCA, we are called to respond. We are a church that rolls up our sleeves and gets to work. ELCA World Hunger is uniquely positioned to accompany communities in need because we work with congregations in the United States, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands, as well as other partners and Lutheran churches overseas. From health clinics to microloans, water wells to farm animals, community meals to advocacy, your gifts to ELCA World Hunger make it possible for the ELCA to respond, supporting sustainable solutions that get at the root causes of hunger and poverty.

[HTTPS://WWW.ELCA.ORG/OUR-WORK/RELIEF-AND-DEVELOPMENT/ELCA-WORLD-HUNGER](https://www.elca.org/our-work/relief-and-development/elca-world-hunger)



ELCA ADVOCACY

As members of the ELCA, we believe that we are freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor. God uses our hands, through our direct service work and our voices, through our advocacy efforts, to restore and reconcile our world. Through faithful advocacy, the ELCA lives out our Lutheran belief that governments can help advance the common good.

ELCA advocacy works for change in public policy based on the experience of Lutheran ministries, programs and projects around the world and in communities across the United States. We work through political channels on behalf of the following biblical values: peacemaking, hospitality to strangers, care for creation, and concern for people living in poverty and struggling with hunger and disease. To find out more, listen to the podcast “Here I Pod” or visit the website below.

[HTTPS://WWW.ELCA.ORG/OUR-WORK/PUBLICLY-ENGAGED-CHURCH/ADVOCACY](https://www.elca.org/our-work/publicly-engaged-church/advocacy)



Pastor Kelly will be conducting Every Member Visits in the first quarter of this year. These are opportunities to reflect together on our congregation’s ministry and dream of where God is leading us in 2026 and beyond. She is willing to come to you, meet for a meal or beverage, or host you at church for these conversations. Please sign-up via Sign-up Genius or contact her to arrange a time that might work for you and your household.

SUNDAY, MARCH 1 FOLLOWING WORSHIP

MISSION ENDOWMENT FUND FAIR

We gather with our grant recipients after worship to learn more about the great work they do!

SUNDAY, MARCH 22 8: 30 A.M.

NEW TO RLC BREAKFAST

Whether you’ve been around for a while or are brand new, this is an opportunity to learn more about our congregation and get to know some of our people.

Welcome to Resurrection!

We are glad you are worshipping with us!

If you are visiting for the first-time or would like to know more about RLC, please complete this form, detach, and put in the offering plate.

Name(s): _____

Email: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____

Check all that apply:

- I am visiting for the first time.
- I would like to know more about RLC.
- I am interested in membership.
- I would like to receive RLC's weekly email.
- I would like the pastor to contact me via
 - phone
 - text
 - email



THIS WEEK @ RLC

Sunday, February 22, 2026

9:30 a.m. Worship
10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour & Fellowship

Monday, February 23, 2025

7:00 – 10:00 p.m. Windy City Performing Arts

Tuesday, February 24, 2026

8 a.m. -3 p.m. D19 Legal Clinic
5:30-8:30 p.m. District 19 Mutual Aid Donation Drop-off

Wednesday, February 25, 2026

5:30-8:30 p.m. District 19 Mutual Aid Donation Drop-off
7:00-10:00 p.m. Windy City Performing Arts
8:45 p.m. NA

Thursday, February 26, 2026

9 a.m.- 1p.m. District 19 Mutual Aid Donation Drop-off

Saturday, February 28, 2026

9 a.m.- 1p.m. District 19 Mutual Aid Donation Drop-off

Sunday, March 1, 2026

8:30 - 9:15 a.m. Sunday School
9:30 a.m. Worship
10:30 a.m. Mission Endowment Fund Fair