Service of Holy Communion

3rd Week in Lent
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LUTHERAN SERVICE BOOK
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Confession and Absolution

L O almighty God, merciful Father,
C Forgive my sins, O Lord—forgive me the sins of my present and the sins of my past, the sins of my soul and the sins of my body; the sins which I have done to please myself, and the sins which I have done to please others. Forgive me my wanton and idle sins, forgive me my serious and deliberate sins, forgive me those sins which I know and those sins which I know not, the sins which I have labored so to hide from others that I have hid them from my own memory. Forgive them, O Lord, forgive them all. Of thy great mercy let me be absolved, and of thy bountiful goodness let me be delivered from the bonds of all that by my frailty I have committed. Grant this, O heavenly Father, for the sake of Jesus Christ our blessed Lord and Savior. Amen. (Doberstein, p. 33)
L Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Post-Communion Collect (a prayer of St. Ephraim the Syrian) assembly prays together
C: O Lord and Master of our lives, give us not a spirit of idleness, despondency, ambition, and vain talking, but rather bestow on us, your servants, a spirit of purity, humility, patience, and love. Yes, Lord and King, grant us to see our own faults, and not to judge our brother and our sister. For blessed are You unto the ages of ages. Amen.

Postlude Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

The Servants of the Word
Presider: Professor Jeffrey Gibbs
Preacher: Professor Joel Biermann
Assistants: Rev. Jaime Nava, Dean Kent Burreson, Seminarian Brenden Harrell
Organist: Director of Musical Arts James Marriott
Trumpeter: Rev. Timothy Wilkins, Senior Pastor, Holy Cross Lutheran Church

In Preparation for Communion
To Our Guests:
The Lord's Supper is celebrated on our campus in the confession and glad confidence that our Lord, as He says, gives not only bread and wine, but His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sin. In joyful obedience to the clear teaching of our Lord Jesus those are invited to His table who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us. They show forth His death until He comes. Because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and so are unable to receive the Sacrament are invited to meditate on God's Word in the distribution hymns and pray for the day when divisions will have ceased. -Kent J. Burreson, Dean of the Chapel

Notes Regarding Communion
• The campus Lord’s Supper is sponsored and hosted by the Lutheran Church of St. Andrew and Pastor Mark Hricko of Silver Spring, Maryland.
• When receiving the cup to partake of Christ Jesus’ blood, please place your hand on the cup in some way to assist the server in guiding it to your mouth. Depending upon how those distributing the cup are holding it, you can either take hold of the cup at the base on the bottom OR on the stem of the chalice OR at the bowl itself on the upper part. By doing so you will assist the server and help to prevent any unwelcome spillage.
• The Reliquary (unconsecrated, additional bread) will be distributed after the service in the narthex if there is sufficient quantity. You are invited to take a piece with you.
• If you would prefer not to drink wine directly from the chalice due to illness or other extenuating circumstances, you may intinct the bread by dipping it into the chalice.
• If you have a gluten allergy or any other special need, please contact Dean of the Chapel Kent Burreson.

Private Confession and Absolution
Make an appointment with Chaplain Sieveking for confession at the altar or in his office.

Prayer Requests
• Persecuted Christians: Iraq; Syria; Qatar; Saudi Arabia
• Partner Church Bodies: The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Brazil led by President Egon Kopereck
• Synodical Leaders: Synodical Secretary John Sias
• Districts and District Presidents: Rocky Mountain District led by President Allen Anderson
• Concordia Theological Seminary: President Larry Rast; Professors Carl Fickenscher II; Charles Gieschen
• Concordia University System: Concordia University Wisconsin led by President Patrick Ferry
• The Poor and Those Suffering from Natural Disasters: Texas, Louisiana, Florida, California, Puerto Rico, Mexico
• Those who are ill/undergoing surgery: Rev. Erich Kaelberer suffering from ALS; Carol Hoefer, wife of Dr. Herb Hoefer, Professor Emeritus at Concordia, Portland, undergoing chemotherapy treatments; JoAnn Zieroth, wife of Director of Vicarage Gary Zieroth at CTS, battling cancer; Pastor Andrew Johnson, recovering from surgery and undergoing chemotherapy; Gillian Bond’s friend, Trevor, battling a very serious form of cancer; Roger Drinnon, father to graduate student Roger Drinnon, battling cancer; Seminarian Kevin Scott being treated for a cyst; Maureen Campise, member of the seminary staff, recovering from back surgery
• Those Mourning: Family and friends of Jesse Collins, member of the CW maintenance staff of the seminary, who died recently

Reflections on the Gospel for the upcoming Sunday, from John 2, from Ted and Rick (dark nose) by LCMS Pastor James Wetzstein (Agnus Day appears with the permission of www.agnusday.org).