Service of Holy Communion

3rd Week in Lent

15 March 2017
—Please kneel if able—

Confession and Absolution

—Please stand if able—

Salutation and Collect of the Day

—Please be seated—

First Reading

—Please stand if able—

Exodus 17:1-7

Lenten Hymn Verse

Sung by the assembly

Refrain: All our hope, all our help, all our strength is in you. By your cross, grant us Lord, release. That we die to ourselves and receive from you Your righteousness and peace. Jesus resting by the well, gives to all who thirst: living water, Spirit, life. Kyrie eleison. Refrain.

All Our Hope

David R. Maxwell

Refrain

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Jesus, resting by the well, gives to all who thirst: living water, Spirit, life. Kyrie eleison! to Refrain
Homily

—Please stand if able—

John 4
Apostles’ Creed

The Apostles’ Creed is being used throughout Lent to emphasize its baptismal shape as the church prepares to welcome the newly baptized and confirmed at Easter.

—Please kneel if able—

Prayers of the Church

—Please stand if able—

Offertory

—Please stand if able—

Service of the Sacrament

The Lord’s Prayer will be prayed by the assembly in unison, reflecting that this is the family of God’s common table prayer at the Lord’s Supper.

—Please be seated—

Communion Music

LSB 855, sts. 1,10,3-4
LSB 823

Dismissal

—Please stand if able—

Post-Communion Collect

Prayed by Assembly

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 brothers and our sisters. For blessed are You unto the ages of ages. Amen. (St. Ephraim the Syrian)

Salutation, Benedicamus, and Benediction

Post-Service Music

The Servants of the Word

Presider: Professor Joel Okamot
Preacher: Professor Mark Rockenbach
Assistants: Dean Kent Burreson, Seminarians Matthew Bohlmann and Tim Smith
Organist: Director of Music Arts Jim Marriott

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 St. John Lutheran Church in Columbus, NE and Pastor Brad Birtell.
- 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, 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.
- The concluding prayers are spoken by the assembly in the hope that these traditional collects might become part of your remembered repertoire of prayer.

Private Confession and Absolution
Check SemNet to see when Chaplain Sieveking will offer confession at the altar.

Prayer Requests
• Persecuted Christians: Pakistan; Philippines
• Ethiopia in the Midst of Conflict and the Ethiopian Evangelical Lutheran Church (Mekane Yesu)
• Partner Church Bodies: Siberian Evangelical Lutheran Church (SELC), Rev. Vsevolod Lytkin, Bishop; Evangelical Lutheran Church of Argentina (IELA), Rev. Carlos Nagel, President
• Synodical Leaders: Rev. Christopher S. Esget, Sixth Vice President
• Districts and District Presidents: Pacific Southwest District and President Rev. Dr. Larry A. Stoterau
• Concordia Theological Seminary, President Larry Rast, Dr. James G. Bushur, staff, and students.
• Concordia University System: Concordia University Chicago and President Rev. Dr. Daniel L. Gard
• Those seeking discernment and guidance: Professor Todd and Susan Jones
• Those who are ill/undergoing surgery: Rev. Erich Kaelberer suffering from ALS; Pastor Rodney Wise, Glendale Lutheran Church, battling cancer; Roger Drinnon, father of Seminarian Roger Drinnon, undergoing treatment for prostate cancer; former EIIT student Shad Deah facing serious medical issues; Seminary Maintenance employee Kirt Beckmann’s wife, Doreen, battling cancer; Pastor Alan Coleman, friend of Gill Bond, who is in the ICU as a result of paralysis associated with inflammation/swelling in the spinal column; Debbie Parkhurst, mother of staff member Dani Sposato, who has been diagnosed with ovarian cancer and is undergoing chemo treatments
• Those mourning
Reflections on the Gospel, from John 4, from Ted and Rick (dark nose) by LCMS Pastor James Wetzstein (Agnus Day appears with the permission of www.agnusday.org).

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