

St. Stephen's Lutheran Church
Fifth Wednesday in Lent
Worship Service
March 30, 2022 ▪ 6:30 p.m.



GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome

* Singing Bowl

Silence is kept for reflection.

* Gathering Song

O let all who thirst,
let them come to the water.
And let all who have nothing,
let them come to the Lord:
without money, without price.
Why should you pay the price,
except for the Lord?

And let all who seek,
let them come to the water.
And let all who have nothing,
let them come to the Lord:
without money, without strife.
Why should you spend your life,
except for the Lord?

And let all who toil,
let them come to the water.
And let all who are weary,
let them come to the Lord:
all who labor, without rest.
How can your soul find rest,
except for the Lord?

And let all the poor,
let them come to the water,
Bring the ones who are laden,
bring them all to the Lord:
bring the children without might.
Easy the load and light:
come to the Lord.

“Come to the Water of Life”

* **Opening**

Jesus Christ is the light of the world,
the light no darkness can overcome.
 Stay with us, Lord, for it is evening,
and the day is almost over.
 Let your light scatter the darkness
and illumine your church.
 Behold, now is the acceptable time;
now is the day of salvation.
 Turn us again, O God of our salvation,
that the light of your face may shine on us.
 May your justice shine like the sun;
and may the poor be lifted up.

* **Lenten Canticle**

Verse:

**All this pain. I wonder if I'll ever find my way;
 I wonder if my life could really change ... at all.**

Verse:

**All this earth. Could all that is lost ever be found;
 Could a garden come up from this ground ... at all?**

Refrain:

**You make beautiful things, You make beautiful things out of the dust.
 You make beautiful things, You make beautiful things out of us.**

Verse:

**All around hope is springing up from this old ground.
 Out of chaos, life is being found ... in You.**

Refrain (Twice)

Bridge (Twice):

**You make me new, You are making me new.
 You make me new, You are making me new.**

Refrain (Twice)

"Beautiful Things"

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* **Prayer of the Day**

We give thanks to you, heavenly Father,
 through Jesus Christ your dear Son,
 that you have graciously protected us today.
 We ask you to forgive us all our sins,
 where we have done wrong,
 and graciously to protect us tonight.
 Into your hands we commend ourselves:
 our bodies, our souls, and all that is ours.
 Let your holy angels be with us.
Amen.

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WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Lesson for the Day

Romans 6:3-4

3 Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? 4 Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

Word of God, Word of Life.
Thanks be to God

Meditation

Pastor Tim

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Prayers of Intercession

Petition response Leader: ... Lord in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

* Lord's Prayer

"God Our Father, King of Heaven"

Verse:

**God our Father, King of heaven, let your kingdom come.
On the earth as in your heaven, let your will be done.**

Verse:

**Ev'rything we need you've given; bread for ev'ry day.
In your mercy we're forgiven, may we show your grace.**

Refrain:

Let Your kingdom come, let Your will be done.

Verse:

**Lead us not into temptation, help us walk your ways.
Lord, deliver us from evil, hear us as we pray.**

Refrain:

**Let your kingdom come, let your will be done.
Let your kingdom come, let your will be done.**

Bridge:

**For the kingdom, and the power, and the glory are yours,
Now and forever, forevermore. x2**

Refrain:

**Let your kingdom come, let your will be done.
Let your kingdom come, let your will be done.
Let your kingdom come, let your will be done.**

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WE GO INTO THE WORLD

* Blessing

Almighty God,
the Father, ✝ the Son,
and the Holy Spirit,
bless and preserve us.
Amen.

* Hymn

Verse:

Lord, I come, I confess. Bowing here, I find my rest.
Without You, I fall apart. You’re the one that guides my heart.

Refrain:

Lord, I need You, oh, I need You. Ev’ry hour I need You.
My one defense, my righteousness; Oh, God, how I need You.

Verse:

Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more.
Where grace is found is where You are.
And where You are, Lord, I am free. Holiness is Christ in me.
Where You are, Lord, I am free. Holiness is Christ in me.

Refrain x2

Tag:

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* Postlude



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