

# **TABOR LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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**March 27, 2022     4th Sunday in Lent                      9:30 a.m.**

**Setting - Now the Feast and Celebration by Marty Haugen**

### **INTRODUCTION**

*The psalm sets the tone this day: "Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, and whose sin is put away!" Happy are those who have "become the righteousness of God" in the merits of Christ Jesus. Happy are those for whom the forgiveness of God has "rolled away . . . the disgrace" of former times. Happy is the father at the return of his prodigal son. Happy are we that our sins are forgiven for Jesus' sake. Rejoice!*

### **PRELUDE**

Announcements are on pages 18.

### **WELCOME**

A very warm welcome to all who worship here this morning, we thank God for sending you to Tabor.

### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

In the name of God,  
who makes a way in the wilderness,  
walks with us,  
and guides us in our pilgrimage.  
**Amen.**

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Holy One,  
we confess that we have wandered far from you:  
we have not trusted your promises,  
we have ignored your prophets in our own day,  
we have squandered our inheritance of grace,  
we have failed to recognize you in our midst.  
Have mercy on us!  
Forgive us and turn us again to you.  
Teach us to follow in your ways,  
assure us again of your love,  
and help us to love our neighbor.  
Amen.

Beloved in Christ,  
the Word draws near to you,  
and all who call out to God shall be saved.  
In Jesus, God comes to you again and again  
and gathers you under wings of love.  
In + Jesus' name, your sins are forgiven.  
God journeys with you and teaches you how to live in love.  
Amen.

*Please stand if you are able.*

## **GATHERING**

**GATHERING SONG**

*Come, Thou Font of Every Blessing*

ELW 807

*music on page 3*

# Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

1 Come, thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless-ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
2 Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer: "Hith-er by thy help I've come";  
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con - strained to be;

streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.  
and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.  
let that grace now like a fet - ter bind my wan - d'ring heart to thee.

While the hope of end - less glo - ry fills my heart with joy and love,  
Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, wan - d'ring from the fold of God;  
Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love.

teach me ev - er to a - dore thee; may I still thy good - ness prove.  
he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.  
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It features a treble and bass staff for the voice, and a grand staff (treble and bass) for the piano accompaniment. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is common time (C). The score is divided into four systems, each with three lines of lyrics. The lyrics are in a mix of English and Latin (Eb - en - e - zer). The music is a hymn tune, with a simple, flowing melody and a steady piano accompaniment.

Text: Robert Robinson, 1735–1790, alt.

Music: NETTLETON, J. Wyeth, *Repository of Sacred Music*, Part II, 1813

## 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.**

*The Children are invited to come forward. The children are dismissed for Children's Jam, Sunday School, returning during the Peace.*

Assistant:

In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation:

Lord, have mer - cy.

Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer -

Assistants.

For the Reign of God, and for peace through - out the  
For your peo - ple here, who have come to give you  
cy.

world, for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the  
praise, for the strength to live your Word, let us pray to the

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⊕ Coda

Help, save, and de - fend us, O

cy.

\* Ending for Kyrie

God.

A - men.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of compassion, you welcome the wayward, and you embrace us all with your mercy. By our baptism clothe us with garments of your grace, and feed us at the table of your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever  
**Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## WORD

### FIRST READING: Joshua 5:9-12

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

**PSALM: Psalm 32**

*Spoken responsively*

<sup>1</sup>Happy are they whose transgressions | are forgiven,  
and whose sin is | put away!

<sup>2</sup>**Happy are they to whom the LORD im- | putes no guilt,  
and in whose spirit there | is no guile!**

<sup>3</sup>While I held my tongue, my bones with- | ered away,  
because of my groaning | all day long.

<sup>4</sup>**For your hand was heavy upon me | day and night;  
my moisture was dried up as in the | heat of summer.**

<sup>5</sup>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.

<sup>6</sup>**Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers  
to you in | time of trouble;  
when the great waters overflow, they | shall not reach them.**

<sup>7</sup>You are my hiding-place; you preserve | me from trouble;  
you surround me with shouts | of deliverance.

<sup>8</sup>**"I will instruct you and teach you in the way that | you should go;  
I will guide you | with my eye.**

<sup>9</sup>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."

<sup>10</sup>**Great are the tribulations | of the wicked;  
but mercy embraces those who trust | in the LORD.**

<sup>11</sup>Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice | in the LORD;  
shout for joy, all who are | true of heart.

**SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21**

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

*Please stand if you are able.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Congregation:*



Re - turn to God with all your heart, the Source of grace and



mer-cy; Come, seek the ten-der faith-ful-ness of God.

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The Holy gospel according to Luke, the 15th Chapter.

**Glory to you O Lord.**

**GOSPEL: Luke 15:1-3,11b-32**

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you O Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

**SERMON**

Pastor Marcel Narucki

*A brief silence for reflection.*

*Please stand if you are able.*

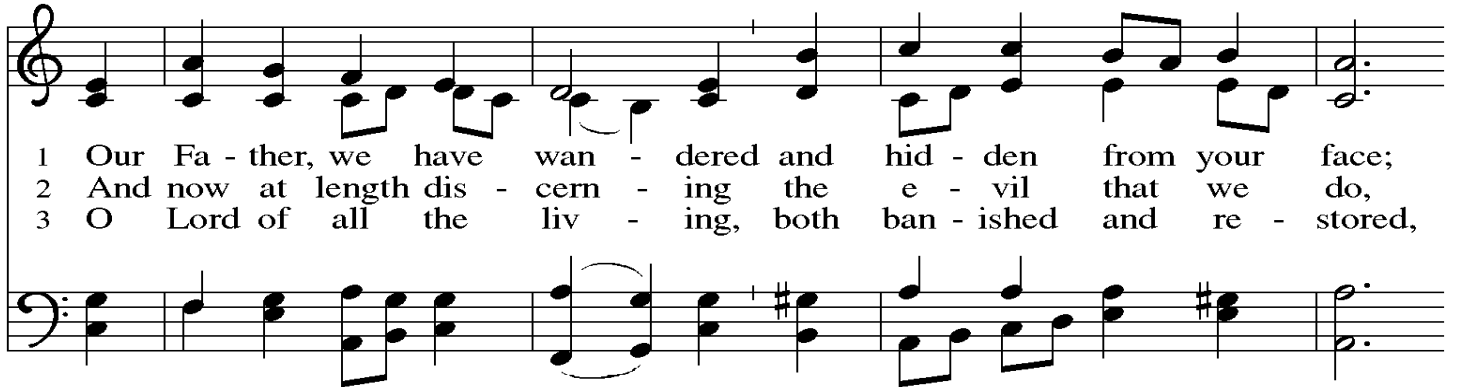
**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*Our Father, We Have Wandered*

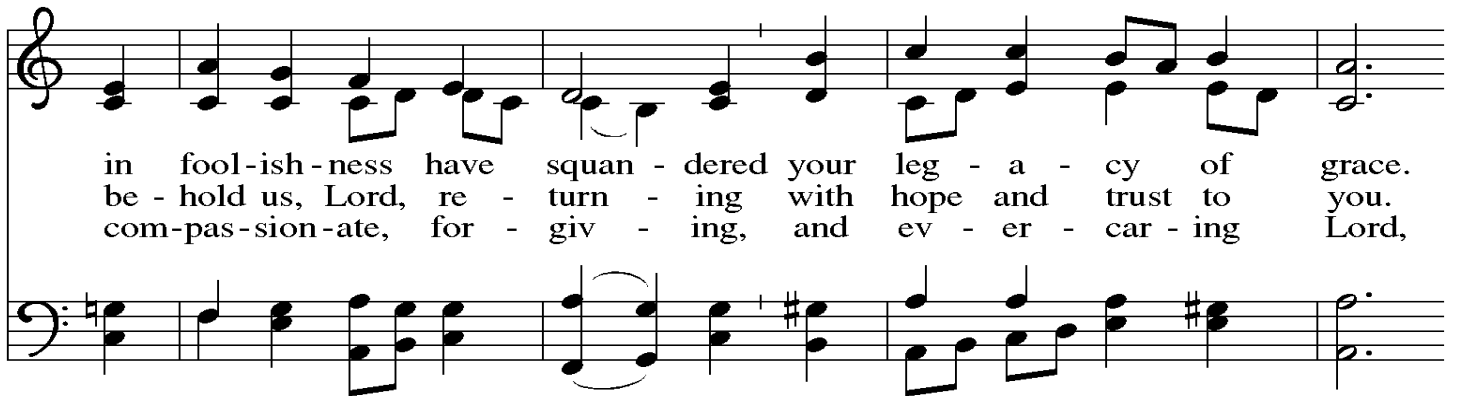
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# Our Father, We Have Wandered



1 Our Fa - ther, we have wan - dered and hid - den from your face;  
2 And now at length dis - cern - ing the e - vil that we do,  
3 O Lord of all the liv - ing, both ban - ished and re - stored,



in fool-ish-ness have squan - dered your leg - a - cy of grace.  
be - hold us, Lord, re - turn - ing with hope and trust to you.  
com-pas-sion-ate, for - giv - ing, and ev - er - car - ing Lord,



But now, in ex - ile dwell - ing, we rise with fear and shame,  
In haste you come to meet us and home re - joic - ing bring,  
grant now that our trans - gress - ing, our faith - less - ness may cease.



as, dis - tant but com - pel - ling, we hear you call our name.  
in glad-ness there to greet us with calf and robe and ring.  
Stretch out your hand in bless - ing, in par - don, and in peace.

Text: Kevin Nichols, 1929–2006

Music: HERZLICH TUT MICH VERLANGEN, Hans Leo Hassler, 1564–1612; arr. Johann Sebastian Bach, 1685–1750

Text from *Resource Collection of Hymns and Service Music for the Liturgy*, © 1981 International Committee on English in the Liturgy, Inc.

## **CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended into hell.  
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Drawn close to the heart of God, we offer these prayers for the church, the world,  
and all who are in need.

*A brief silence*

*Each petition ends:*

Merciful God,  
**Receive our prayer.**

*Prayers conclude with:*

Accept the prayers we bring, O God, on behalf of a world in need, for the sake of  
Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

## MEAL

### PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say:*

***Peace be with you.***

*Please be seated.*

### OFFERING OF GIFTS, TITHES AND MUSIC

*Special Piano Music*

*Please stand if you are able.*

### OFFERTORY

ELW 186

#### Create in Me a Clean Heart *Offering Song*

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right  
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, and take  
not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of  
your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

## OFFERING PRAYER

Extravagant God,  
you have blessed us with the fullness of creation.  
Now we gather at your feast  
where you offer us the food that satisfies.  
Take and use what we offer here, come among us,  
and feed us with the body and blood of Christ,  
in whose name we pray.  
**Amen.**

## DIALOGUE

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.**

## PREFACE

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:

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

*Congregation:*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and  
might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est!  
Bless - ed is the One who comes in your name. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

The musical score is written on five staves. The key signature has four sharps (F#, C#, G#, D#). The first staff begins with a treble clef and a 6/8 time signature. The second staff has a 3/8 time signature. The third and fourth staves have a 6/8 time signature. The fifth staff ends with a double bar line. The lyrics are written below the notes.

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## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Blessed are you, O God of the universe.  
Your mercy is everlasting  
and your faithfulness endures from age to age...

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

*Congregation:*

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

The musical score is written on two staves. The key signature has four sharps (F#, C#, G#, D#). The first staff begins with a treble clef and a 6/8 time signature. The second staff has a 6/8 time signature. The lyrics are written below the notes.

...Grace our table with your presence.

*Congregation:*

A - men. Come, Ho - ly Spir - it.

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

*Congregation:*

A - men. Come, Ho - ly Spir - it.

...We praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever. **Amen.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven,**

**hallowed be thy name,**

**thy kingdom come,**

**thy will be done,**

**on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;**

**and forgive us our trespasses,**

**as we forgive those**

**who trespass against us;**

**and lead us not into temptation,**

**but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,**

**and the power, and the glory,**

**forever and ever. Amen.**

## **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Here is food and drink for the journey.

Take and be filled.

**Thanks be to God!**

## **COMMUNION**

*When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say*

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

*and each person may respond*

**Amen.**

**The Lord's table** is open to all worshipers from all denominations who wish to share in God's blessing of the sacrament of Holy Communion. The real presence of Christ is in the bread and wine. Please follow the directions of the ushers. The wine (red liquid) or in the grape juice (white liquid).

*Please let the usher know if you need assistance.*

*Please be seated.*

# COMMUNION SONG

*Congregation:*      *Congregation or Assistant:*

Lamb of God,      you take a - way the sin of the  
 you call us to the way of your  
 you are the way of jus - tice and  
 you are the way of mer - cy and

*Congregation:*

world:      have mer - cy on us.      mer - cy on us.  
 peace:  
 love.

## Final Stanza

*Congregation or Assistant:*

mer-cy on us.      Lamb of God, you  
 take a - way the sins of the world:      grant us peace,  
 grant us peace,      grant us peace.

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*Please repeat until Communion is complete*



# Eat This Bread

## *Jesus Christ, Bread of Life*

*Refrain*

“Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and nev - er be hun - gry.  
OR Je - sus Christ, bread of life, those who come to you will not hun - ger.

Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.”  
Je - sus Christ, ris - en Lord, those who trust in you will not thirst.

Text: Taizé Community

Music: BERTHIER, Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994

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## COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and the blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Blessed Jesus,  
in this rich meal of grace,  
you have fed us with your body, the bread of life.  
Now send us forth to bear your life-giving hope  
to a world in need.

**Amen.**

## SENDING

## BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

**Amen.**

## What Wondrous Love Is This

1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What  
 2 When I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, sink - ing down, when  
 3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing; to  
 4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on; and

won - drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is this  
 I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, when I was sink - ing down  
 God and to the Lamb I will sing; to God and to the Lamb,  
 when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and when from death I'm free,

that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dread-ful curse for my  
 be - neath God's righ-teous frown, Christ laid a - side his crown for my  
 who is the great I AM, while mil - lions join the theme, I will  
 I'll sing God's love for me, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing

soul, for my soul, to bear the dread-ful curse for my soul?  
 soul, for my soul, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul.  
 sing, I will sing, while mil - lions join the theme, I will sing.  
 on, I'll sing on; and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

Text: North American folk hymn, 19th cent., alt.

Music: WONDROUS LOVE, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835; arr. Paul J. Christiansen, 1914–1997, alt.  
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## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Jesus meets you on the way.

Thanks be to God!

## **PRAYERS**

### **Members, Friends and Relatives**

Cynthia Barrett  
Michelle Buttram  
Mary DeVor Youngblood  
Virgie Giannetto  
Glasgow Family  
Linda Johnson  
The King Family  
Debbie Montoya  
Family of Bob & Vickie Noble  
Pastor Ruby  
Dorothy Reed  
Aaron Truxell  
Lynn Truxell  
Marvin Truxell  
Brooklyn Youngblood

### **Added by Members**

Friend of Lynn Truxell  
Daughter of Julie Buttram  
Mother of Janis Youngblood  
Lynn Truxell  
Niece of Sue Kastelic  
People of Tabor  
Family of Shirley DeRungs  
Sue Kastelic  
Tony Martinet  
People of Tabor  
Grandmother of Emily Briggs  
Son of Roger & Lynn Truxell  
Truxell & Vargues Families  
Truxell & Vargues Families  
Janis Youngblood

Let us pray for those serving in the military and all our first responders.

***For Pastoral care emergencies, please contact Pastor Ruby at 303.653.2533.***

## **BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES**

March 27	Linda Johnson	March 28	Jim Kashner
March 28	Sue & Dennis Kastelic 35 years	March 29	Sandra Zupan
April 2	Shirley & John Regan 43 years		

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Easter Breakfast** will be at 8:30am on Easter Sunday. Council will provide breakfast casseroles. Please sign up to bring breakfast breads/muffins, fruit and juice, as well as set up and clean up.

**Children's Easter Egg Hunt** will be after church on Easter Sunday. All children ages 3 to elementary school are invited. Please bring your own basket and join in the fun!

**Easter Lilies** to decorate the church for Easter are available to purchase for \$12. Sign-up sheet is on the table in the Narthex.

## **Disciples Serving in Today's Worship Service**

Assisting Minister:	Donna Tittel	Lector:	Cassie Walgren
Pianist:	Dr. J. Michael Beck	Presider:	Pastor Marcel Narucki
Altar Guild:	Sue Kastelic		
Ushers/Greeters:	Sue Kastelic & Jerry Vargues		
Counters:	Dorothy Hanscom & Cassie Walgren		