



St. John's Lutheran Church

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# St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church



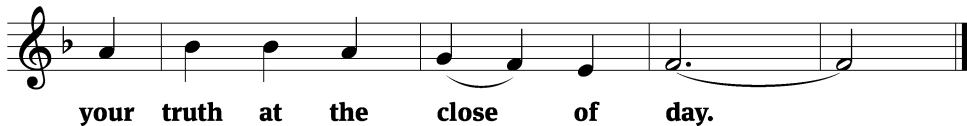
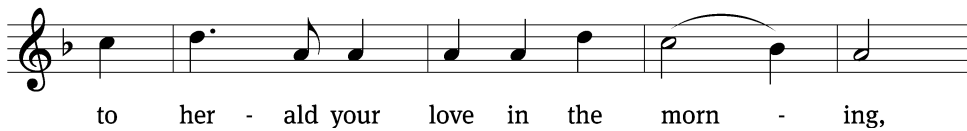
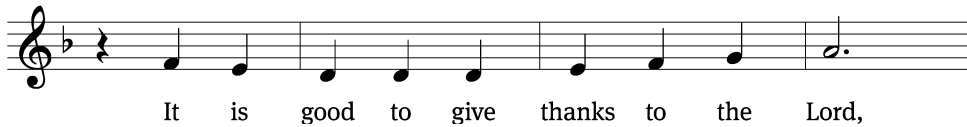
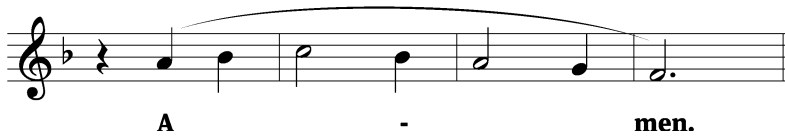
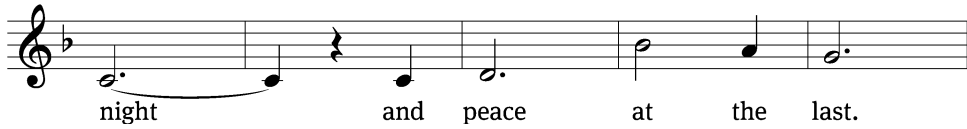
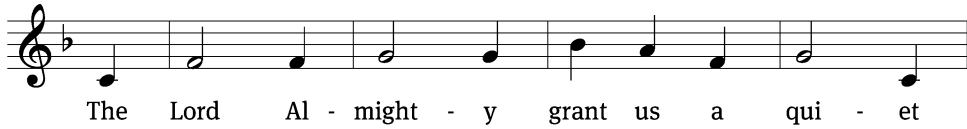
## Welcome to our visitors!

- It is our hope and prayer that the message you hear today from God's Word will fill your heart with the peace that only God can offer and the joy we have in knowing that Jesus Christ is our Savior from sin.
- These midweek vesper services have been planned for the purpose of helping you to prepare your hearts as we walk the way of the cross with our Savior. Our theme this year is "**The Crucial Hours.**" During this season of Lent, we will reflect on the battles Jesus fought as he walked the way of the cross for us.
- Restrooms are located at the far end of the entry area.
- Large print service folders and assisted listening devices are available from an usher.
- Children's service folders are available in the round tract rack in the entry area.
- Parents may take small children into the entry area, mother's room (at the back of the church), or nursery (lower level of church) as needed and follow the worship service on the TV monitor. Changing tables are available in the mother's room and in the room adjacent to the nursery.
- During the offering, all worshipers are asked to fill out a Connection Card (included with the service folder or available online at [www.sjtosa.org/Connect](http://www.sjtosa.org/Connect)). Completed cards may be placed in the baskets by the exit.

# Midweek Lent 3

## March 16, 2022

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## Opening Hymn

Choir: sts 1-3; congregation: sts. 4-6  
Please stand to sing the final stanza

Son of God, by God Forsaken  
Christian Worship 421

## Confession

Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
**the maker of heaven and earth.**

Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of one another.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
**we have sinned against you in our thoughts, in our words, in our deeds,  
and in all that we have not done.**  
**Forgive us in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.**  
**Deliver and restore us, that we may rest in peace.**

By the mercy of God we are redeemed by Jesus Christ,  
and in him we are forgiven.

Let us rest in his peace until the rising of the sun,  
when we shall serve him in newness of life.

**Amen.**

*Be seated*

## Psalm (see pg. 12)

Psalm 32

Lord Jesus, when the difficulties of life become more than we can bear and we find ourselves sinking into despair, put our feet back on the rock of your righteousness. You obeyed your Father's will on our behalf. When Satan would lead us to despair, give us confidence to cry, "My Savior lived and died for me!" In his name we pray.

**Amen.**

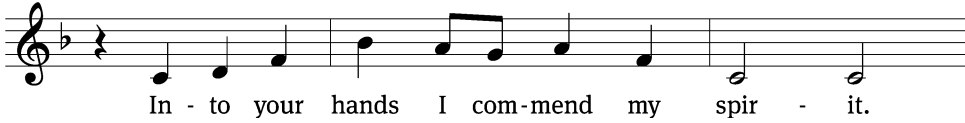
## Reading

The Passion History

*The Passion History readings tell us of Jesus' suffering  
and death as recorded by the four Gospel writers.*

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**



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## **Anthem (3:30 p.m.)**

*Junior Handbell Choir*

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

*arranged by Julie Turner*

Let all mortal flesh keep silence  
and with fear and trembling stand;  
ponder nothing earthly-minded,  
for with blessing in his hand  
Christ, our God, to earth descending,  
comes our homage to command.

King of kings, yet born of Mary,  
as of old on earth he stood,  
Lord of lords in human likeness,  
in the body and the blood  
he will give to all the faithful  
his own self for heav'nly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven  
spreads its vanguard on the way  
as the Light from Light, descending  
from the realms of endless day,  
comes the pow'rs of hell to vanquish  
as the darkness clears away.

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## **Hymn of the Day**

Go to Dark Gethsemane sts. 1–3

*Christian Worship 425*

## **Sermon**

John 18:12

### ***“They Bound Him”***

Then the detachment of soldiers with its commander and the Jewish officials arrested Jesus.  
They bound him.

*Please stand*



Hear my prayer, O Lord;



lis - ten to my cry.



Keep me as the ap - ple of your eye;



hide me in the shad - ow of your wings.



In right - eous - ness I shall see you;



when I a - wake, your pres - ence will give me joy.

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## Prayer

O God our Father, by your mercy and might the world turns safely into darkness and returns again to light. We place into your hands our unfinished tasks, our unsolved problems, and our unfulfilled hopes, knowing that only what you bless will prosper. To your great love and protection we commit each other and all those we love, knowing that you alone are our sure defender; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer

Our Fa - ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be your  
name, your king - dom come, your will be done on  
earth as in heav - en. Give us to - day our  
dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins, as  
we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.  
Lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de -  
liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the  
pow - er, and the glo - ry are yours  
now and for - ev - er. A - men.

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Be seated

## Offering

Members of St. John's give offerings to support the Lord's work in our community and around the world. Visitors are welcome but not obligated to give an offering. To submit your offering electronically or to fill out an online Connection Card, scan the QR code or visit [www.sjtosa.org/offering](http://www.sjtosa.org/offering).



## Hymn

Luther's Evening Prayer  
Christian Worship 782

Please stand

## Song of Simeon

Musical notation for the Song of Simeon, consisting of five staves of music in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: "Guide us wak - ing, O Lord, and guard us sleep - ing that a - wake we may watch with Christ and a - sleep we may rest in peace. In peace, Lord, in peace you let your ser - vant".


Guide us wak - ing, O Lord,  
and guard us sleep - ing  
that a - wake we may watch with Christ  
and a - sleep we may rest in peace.  
In peace, Lord, in peace you let your ser - vant



now de - part ac - cord - ing to your word. For my



eyes have seen your sal - va - tion, which



you have pre - pared for ev - 'ry peo - ple, a




light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the



glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.



Guide us wak - ing, O Lord,



and guard us sleep - ing



that a - wake we may watch with Christ



and a - sleep we may rest in peace,



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Let us praise the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### **Blessing**

The almighty and merciful Lord—the Father, the † Son, and the Holy Spirit—bless us and keep us.

**Amen.**

*Be seated*

### **Closing Hymn**

All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night  
*Christian Worship 789*

### **Postlude**

### **Acknowledgments**

Prayer at the Close of Day from *Christian Worship*

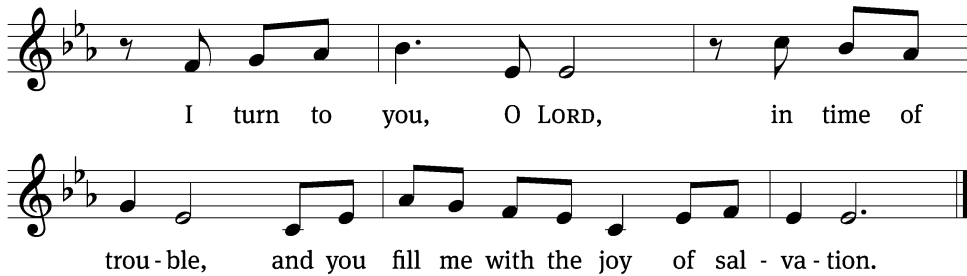
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## Psalm 32

### Refrain



I turn to you, O LORD, in time of  
trou-ble, and you fill me with the joy of sal - va - tion.

### Tone



Blessed is the one whose transgressions are for- / given,  
whose sins are / covered.  
Blessed is the one whose sin the LORD does not count a- / gainst them  
and in whose spirit is / no deceit.

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whose sins are / covered.

Blessed is the one whose sin the LORD does not count a- / gainst them  
and in whose spirit is / no deceit.

When I kept silent, my bones wast- / ed away  
through my groaning / all day long.

For day and night your hand was heav- / y on me;  
my strength was sapped as in the heat of / summer.

Then I acknowledged my / sin to you  
and did not cover up my in- / iquity.

I said, "I will confess my transgressions / to the LORD."  
And you forgave the guilt / of my sin. *Refrain*

You are my / hiding place;  
you will protect me from / trouble.

Many are the woes of the / wicked,  
but the LORD's unfailing love surrounds the one who / trusts in him.

**Glory be to the Father and / to the Son  
and to the Holy / Spirit,  
as it was in the be- / ginning,  
is now, and will be forever. / Amen. *Refrain***

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# Serving at Worship

**Minister**

Pastor Joel Leyrer

**Musicians**

Mandy Treder, organ  
Becky Rehborg, vocals

**Junior Handbell Choir Director**

Julie Handeland

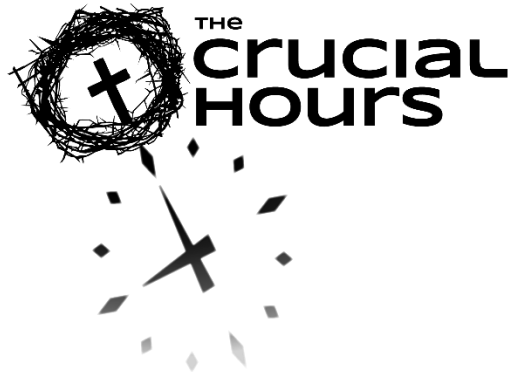
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## Lent Worship Opportunities

Midweek Lent services are held on Wednesdays at 3:30 (broadcast online) and 6:45 p.m.

**March 23: Midweek Lent 4**

What to Remember When You Are Seized  
with Remorse  
Pastor Ben Wessel



**March 30: Midweek Lent 5**

The Semblance of Legality  
Pastor Tom Kneser

**April 6: Midweek Lent 6**

A Part for the Whole  
Pastor Mark Aufdemberg

**April 14: Maundy Thursday**

3:30 & 6:45 p.m. worship with Holy Communion

**April 15: Good Friday**

1:00 p.m. worship with Holy Communion  
6:45 p.m. Tenebrae worship

**April 17: Easter Sunday**

6:00 a.m. sunrise worship  
8:30 & 10:30 a.m. festival worship



# The Mission of our Church

As God's people gathered together at St. John's, we live to declare the praises of our Savior God who called us out of the darkness of sin into the light of his grace.

As 21<sup>st</sup> century disciples of Jesus, we reflect the light of God's love by:



Making worship of our Savior the top priority in our lives



Growing in our faith through daily contact with God's Word



Fostering Christian friendships for mutual encouragement and support



Using our unique gifts to glorify God and serve God's people



Sharing the good news of God's forgiving love with others

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## Worship Services

Saturdays at 5:30 p.m.

Sundays at 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

## Worship in Chinese

Saturdays at 7:00 p.m.

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