

All Saints Lutheran Church



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Third Sunday in Lent

March 7, 2021

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

L: Who is this who enters the doors of our temple, who overturns the tables, strews silver and gold on the floor and casts out the wicked?

C: It is Jesus of Galilee, the Son of God, who comes to cleanse the great temple, to restore its subverted chambers to a house of hallowed prayer.

L: Let us open the doors of our hearts even wider, so he can cast out the thieves who would take what is sacred and tender and turn it hard as gold in a fist.

C: May the temple within us be a refuge of peace, may it be a garden that bears the fruits of a generous spirit. Oh Lord, take what is corrupt and withered and let it break forth in beauty.

L: For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.

C: Amen.

Prayer of Confession

L: Jesus, cleanser of temples and souls,
at this mid-point in the Lenten journey,
look deep within our hearts and our lives,
and clear away all that holds us back.

May our minds, spirits and bodies
be a Temple that is open to Your presence:
and may our words and our actions
be transparent to Your love and truth.

We pray that this church community,
will be purified in its life and mission,
so that all that we do in and from here
may reveal Your Gospel to others.

In a moment of silence we sit before You,
and name those things for which
we seek Your cleansing and healing,
so that we may be more faithful disciples.

Silence

Friends of Jesus, we are made clean
by the words he has spoken to us
and by God's grace you have been forgiven.
Truly there is room in our lives and in our community
for the Holy One to dwell. Thanks be to God.

C: Amen.

Holy Spirit, ever dwelling
 In the holiest realms of light;
 Holy Spirit, ever brooding
 Over a world of gloom and night;
 Holy Spirit, ever raising
 Those of earth to thrones on high;
 Living, life imparting Spirit,
 You we praise and magnify.

Holy Spirit, ever living
 As the church's very life;
 Holy Spirit, ever striving
 Through us in a ceaseless strife;
 Holy Spirit, ever forming
 In the church the mind of Christ
 You we praise with endless worship
 For your gifts and fruits unpriced.

Prayer of the Day

All: We praise you loving and eternal God for your love of all people expressed in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. We praise you for his commitment to justice, his zeal for true worship of you and his willingness to replace all other sacrifices with the sacrifice of his own life. In his name we offer you our worship. Amen.

Word

John 2: 13-22

13 The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. 14 In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. 15 Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. 16 He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" 17 His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." 18 The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" 19 Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." 20 The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" 21 But he was speaking of the temple of his body. 22 After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

Children's Sermon

Sermon

Hymn

"Take My Life, That I May Be" (vs 1&2)

#ELW 583

Take my life, that I may be
 consecrated, Lord, to thee;
 take my moments and my days;
 let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands and let them move
 at the impulse of thy love;
 take my feet and let them be
 swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my life, that I may be
consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days;
let them flow in ceaseless praise

Take my silver and my gold,
not a mite would I withhold;
take my intellect and use
every power as thou shalt choose.

Take my life, that I may be
consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days;
let them flow in ceaseless praise

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Offering Prayer

L: Holy God, in Jesus Christ you have built for us an eternal house, a temple of righteousness a place of gracious plenty for the hungry and abundant life for the poor in spirit. Fill us with zeal for the body of Christ so that we can do no other than to give freely to those in need. Overturn the tables of corruption and greed and upset the imbalance of injustice. May the gifts gathered here today be a worship to you in spirit and truth; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

Holy Communion

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...(proper preface continues)

Words of Institution

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.**

The body of Christ, given for you. (You may eat the wafer)

The blood of Christ, shed for you. (You may drink the grape juice).

Communion Blessing

Benediction and Sending

L: Go now, embody and proclaim Christ crucified and risen in all that you do.
Seek riches only in the love of God's Word and in zeal for God's house.

May God's just demands be your nourishment & delight.
May Christ be the power and wisdom of God to you.
And may the Holy Spirit keep you, thought and word, in God's good grace.
C: Amen.

Hymn "Lord, You Give the Great Commission" (vs 2, 3 &4)

#ELW 579

Lord, you give the great commission: "Heal the sick and preach the word."
Lest the Church neglect its mission and the Gospel go unheard,
help us witness to your purpose with renewed integrity;
with the Spirit's gifts empow'r us for the work of ministry.

[Verse 2]

Lord, you call us to your service: "In my name baptize and teach."
That the world may trust your promise, life abundant meant for each,
give us all new fervor, draw us closer in community;
with the Spirit's gifts empow'r us for the work of ministry.

[Verse 3]

Lord, you make the common holy: "This my body, this my blood."
Let us all for earth's true glory, daily lift life heavenward,
asking that the world around us share your children's liberty;
with the Spirit's gifts empow'r us for the work of ministry.

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L: Go in peace. Let us bless the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God!

Accompanist: Chris Starr

WELCOME TO ALL SAINTS

We are glad you chose to worship at All Saints today. We hope you find the worship service meaningful and that you feel at home with our congregation. If you want to learn more about All Saints or are looking to be connected, visit

www.allsaintsnya.org or contact one of our staff:

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Remember in Prayer

Brian Foster for healing
Laurie Hilgers' father for peace and comfort
Linda Schrupp for healing
Betty Bingham for healing
Cassie Storms for healing
Kassie Harms for healing
Carter Serna at Basic Training for Marines
Andrew Haley stationed in Virginia

HAVE YOU SEEN THE SIGN?

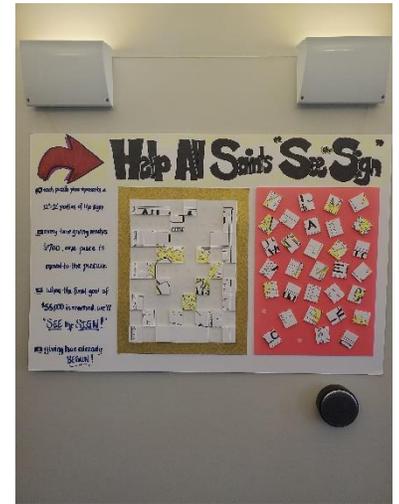
You probably know that our church sign at the edge of the parking lot had been falling apart for a long time, and last spring "bit the dust." It was temporarily replaced with banners, and Pastor Eric found those on the ground, blown across the pavement by Tuesday's strong winds. This may be yet another "sign" that it is time for a campaign to purchase and install an up-to-date digital sign for All Saints!

WHAT ARE WE DOING?

The church council unanimously approved a "targeted giving opportunity" to purchase a sign that will enable us to share All Saints mission and ministry news, uplifting messages (God bless truckers, first responders, etc.), and community information. About *6.6 million vehicles* pass our church each year - just imagine the potential impact!

HOW WILL WE DO IT?

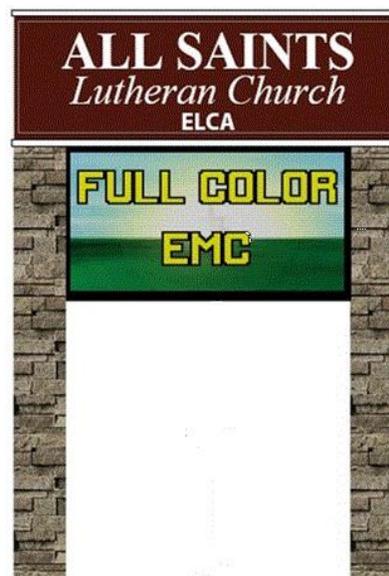
The cost of this sign is \$55,000 - however, giving has already begun and **we have received HALF of the goal amount!** In the church entry, there is a large picture puzzle with half of the pieces in place. The other pieces are on the wall in random order. Every time gifts add up to \$700, another puzzle piece goes in place, and when we reach the final goal, we will be able to **"SEE THE SIGN!"**



HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Any amount you are able to give will help us reach our goal. There will be a place on the All Saints website where you can donate to the sign project. <https://www.allsaintsnva.org/online-giving.html> If you write a check, please make it out to All Saints, and designate it for the **Sign Fund**. If you give cash, please write **Sign Fund** on your envelope.

This is a wonderful opportunity for All Saints to welcome, invite, share, and reach out beyond our walls - thank you for your generosity, because we are All Saints, All the Time!



(Proposed Sign)

Lent Schedule

March 10 Worship at 6:30 pm “Things of God - Crown of Thorns”
March 17 Worship at 6:30 pm “Things of God – Sign”
March 24 Worship at 6:30 pm “Things of God – Sponge”

Help us decorate the sanctuary for Easter. Flower order forms can be found at the Welcome Center.



March is Food Shelf month. Please consider bringing a donation to fill our food shelf boxes in the narthex.

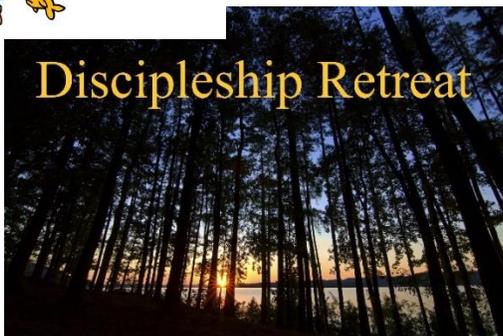
First Communion Instruction

First Communion Family Instruction led by Pastor Matt and Pastor Eric will be held on Sunday, March 14 at 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Invitations have been sent via email to all 3rd, 4th, and 5th Graders. Also to any 6th, 7th, or 8th Graders in case they haven't had First Communion Instruction yet. If you have a child who is ready to receive First Communion and you did not receive an invitation, please contact Darcy Gray at dgray@allsaintsnya.org



Family Ice Fishing Event Sunday, March 14 from 1- 4pm

Join us Sunday, March 14 for some good old-fashioned family fun as we go ice fishing. We will fish from 1 – 4 on a lake to be determined. Food and hot chocolate will be provided. Please sign-up at church this Sunday or email Darcy Gray at dgray@allsaintsnya.org.



Friday, Saturday and Sunday, April 30 – May 2
Mount Carmel Bible Camp
Alexandria, Minnesota
Cost per person \$160
Includes two nights lodging
Five meals
\$50 deposit reserves your spot
Deadline for Signing up
March 28

The Week Ahead

Wed	Mar 3	Lent Worship at 11:00 am and 6:30 pm
Sat	Mar 6	8:00 am Men's Fellowship at Hillcrest 8:00 am Women's Fellowship in Fellowship Hall
Sun	Mar 7	Worship at 8 & 9:30 am Sunday School at 9:30 am 10:00 am Children's Choir
Wed	Mar 10	Lent Worship at 11:00 am & 6:30 pm

STAY IN TOUCH WITH US

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Follow us on Instagram <https://www.instagram.com/allsaintsnya/>

For those who have local cable our worship services are on
Jaguar channel 901 and Mediacom channel 8.

Offerings

~ Mail in your offerings to: All Saints Lutheran, P.O. Box 550 NYA, MN 55368

~ Drop them off (office is open Monday - Thursday 8 am - 4 pm)

~ Go to our online giving page: <http://www.allsaintsnya.org/about-us/online-giving.html>



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Worship at 8:00 & 9:30 am

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